

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

DATE: November 13, 2014

**SUBJECT: Assembly Bill 900 Phase II Jail Construction
Financing Program Siskiyou County Time Extension.
Requesting Approval.**

AGENDA ITEM: E

RESOURCE

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ACTION: X
INFORMATION:

Summary:

This agenda item informs the Board of State and Community Corrections of Siskiyou County's status in meeting the project establishment requirement in the Assembly Bill (AB) 900 Phase II Request for Application – Construction or Expansion of County Jails. The County is asking for a six month delay to secure additional funding to accommodate project changes.

Background:

AB 900 (Chapter 7, Statutes of 2007) provided for \$1.22 billion in lease-revenue bond financing for the construction of county jail facilities, with the funding authority divided into two phases. The Corrections Standards Authority (CSA) Board conditionally awarded Phase I funding to counties beginning in May 2008. Phase II funding was awarded to counties beginning in March 2012.

On October 7, 2011 CSA released the AB 900 Phase II Request for Applications – Construction or Expansion of County Jails, as approved by the CSA Board. The Request for Applications identified a series of specific project milestone requirements. Funded counties are required to meet these milestones, showing the progress of their construction project in the planning stages and leading up to actual construction. These required project milestones, along with a project schedule submitted with each application, allow for a project's progress to be tracked by BSCC staff, and subsequent reporting of the projects' status to the BSCC Board. In the case of a county's project not meeting the schedule or required milestones, it allows the Board to review that county's award status and take action as may be deemed appropriate.

Siskiyou County received a partial conditional award for AB 900 Phase II financing at the September 2012 BSCC meeting. At the subsequent November BSCC meeting, the Board approved the County's amended application. At the January 2013 BSCC Meeting, the Board approved the County's request to delay project establishment until October 2014.

Siskiyou County is requesting that project establishment be delayed based on the County's determination that it will be more cost-effective to secure additional funding for the project as originally proposed and scoped than to try to adjust the project scope in order to fit it within the partial award.

See Attachment A for Siskiyou County's request for an extension time of six months to meet this requirement.

Recommendation/Action Needed:

Staff recommends the BSCC take the following action:

1. Approve the request from Siskiyou County for a time extension of six months to comply with the project establishment.

Attachments:

- A. Siskiyou County AB 900 Extension Request Letter