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Date: April 5, 2022

To: Tim McWilliams, BSCC

From: Captain Jeff Coburn

Re: Corrective Action Plan Response 2020-2022 Update

I am authoring this update in regards to the BSCC 2020-2022 Biennial Inspection Report and Corrective Action Plan for the Merced County Local Adult Detention facilities. During today's Merced County Board of Supervisor's Meeting, the board unanimously approved the funding and hiring of 16 Correctional Officers and 4 Sergeants for our jail facilities. We are in the process of recruitment and will be working toward hiring and training of staff in the coming months.

I am also including the Board Agenda Item (#40- 4/5/2022) for reference. The resolution document will take a few days to get signed and posted. If necessary, I will send that document for your records.

This update is in regards to the below excerpt from our Corrective Action Plan submitted to you on December 13, 2021.

"Title 15 section § 1027. Number of Personnel

- Violation:**
1. *Insufficient number of personnel employed in each local detention facility to ensure the implementation and operation of the programs and activities required by these regulations.*
 2. *On duty Officers are required to perform multiple duties which conflict with the supervision and care of inmates in the event of an emergency.*

Action Plan: *As noted in the BSCC inspection report, this is a county funding issue that specifically pertains to the Sheriff's Office Correctional staffing. With the additional mandates, program requirements, and supervision levels required by state regulations, the Sheriff's Office acknowledges that there is an insufficient number of Correctional Officers to comply with this regulation.*

The Sheriff's Office will be requesting that the Merced County Board of Supervisors approve funding for the hiring of an additional (20) full time Correctional Officers. With the approval of the additional full time Correctional Officers, the Sheriff's Office would be able to move toward meeting the requirements of Title 15 section 1027."