

DEPARTMENT: Probation

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign lease agreement between Mariposa County and Secure Alert for the use of TrackerPal equipment. Such equipment will be used for the Mariposa County Probation Department Electronic Monitoring Program.

Secure Alert is a company that uses a global position system (GPS) to track offenders who are assigned to an electronic monitoring program. The "TrackerPal" equipment uses 24 hour GPS tracking of offenders. The device contains a central processing unit with global positioning system and cellular technology in a single unit as well as provides two and three-way voice communication and real-time continuous monitoring of offenders.

Mariposa County Probation has been addressing problems associated with the current antiquated electronic monitoring system. The current system does not work with all telephone systems. Additionally, the system does not send a signal if there is any interference from a computer hooked up to the Internet. In some homes, even the structure itself causes interference. The greatest downfall of the current electronic monitoring system, is that once the offender leaves his or her residence, their location is not longer known. Although the individual may document that they will be in school, work, a doctor's appointment, church, etc, once he or she leaves the house, the Probation Officer has no way of knowing that the offender is truly where they are scheduled to be. This system will allow the Probation Officer to determine exactly where the offender is at any given time.

The current system used (Alternative Sentencing) costs \$4.50 per day. The TrackerPal device costs \$8.00 per day. The offenders are charged \$12 per day to cover costs over and above the rental of the equipment. The TrackerPal would be used for both juveniles and adults.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Financial Impact? (X) Yes () No	Current FY Cost \$6,000	Annual Recurring Cost: \$6,000
Budgeted In Current FY? (X) Yes () No () Partially Funded		
Amount in Budget: \$6,000		List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Additional Funding Needed: \$		<u>agreement</u>
Source:		
Internal Transfer _____		
Unanticipated Revenue _____	4/5's vote	
Transfer Between Funds _____	4/5's vote	
Contingency _____	4/5's vote	
() General () Other		

CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No.: 06-487 Ord. No. _____
Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: _____
Absent: _____
hwy Approved
() Minute Order Attached () No Action Necessary

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

____ Requested Action Recommended
____ No Opinion
Comments:

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: _____
Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: _____
Deputy

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