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From: **Von Savoye, Kurt G., Sheriff**
Date: Wed, Feb 9, 2022 at 6:08 PM
Subject: Operational Area Agreement
To: Rocky Medieros

Hi Rocky,

Nice talking to you today. As we discussed, I am contacting representatives from several local school districts that OES records indicate have not yet adopted the most recent Op Area agreement. As I'm sure you recall the Operational Area agreement is an agreement the County enters into with each of our cities, special districts, and other public benefit non-profit corporations, to collaboratively participate in the Op Area Emergency Management Organization. This agreement is intended to ensure unified and coordinated efforts between state and local government agencies, and to facilitate the effective and efficient use of regional and local resources, thereby maximizing our ability to prepare for, mitigate, respond to, and recover from, any disaster or catastrophic event.

First implemented in 1995 the Op Area agreement is renewed every ten years. The current agreement was approved by the Board of Supervisors in May of 2016. Each of the partner agencies are then asked to adopt the Op Area agreement, generally by a Council/Board resolution. In the OES file for San Leandro Unified School District I was only able to locate a copy of resolution no. 96-51, which adopted the 1995 Op Area agreement.

The benefits of having an existing Op Area agreement in place was exemplified during the countywide efforts to manage the Covid-19 pandemic. For agencies with pre-existing agreements already in place, deployment of resources at those locations was accomplished expediently, while locations without agreements in place experienced delays as new agreements had to be created and approved.

For your reference I have attached a copy of the 2016 Op Area agreement as well as the Board letter from Sheriff Ahern which summarizes the intent of the agreement. I have also attached a copy of SLUSD resolution (96-51) adopting the 1995 Op area agreement. To provide a little additional background, this PDF also includes a copy of a 2005 letter that then Sheriff Plummer sent to SLUSD explaining the nature of the Op Area agreement, and asking that it be adopted by the District. As we discussed on the phone, in the event you need to create a new resolution for the SLUSD Board I am also attaching an editable (MSWord) sample resolution template for special districts.

If the SLUSD has already adopted the current Op Area agreement then please forward a copy of the signed resolution to me for OES records. If you find the current Op Area agreement has not yet been adopted by SLUSD, please recommend that the District Board approve a resolution adopting this agreement as soon as possible and forward a copy of the approved resolution to me at OES.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or if there is anything I can do to assist in moving this forward.

Thanks,

Kurt

Kurt von Savoye, Emergency Planner

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