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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: November 10, 2015

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DATE:

October 8, 2015

TO:

Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Frank Schumann, Captain 328-3354; fschumann@washoecounty.us

THROUGH: Sheriff Chuck Aller 257

SUBJECT: Approve acceptance of 2016 State of Nevada, Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety project funding [\$19,320.00, 20% in-kind match required, \$3,864.00] to be used to purchase 10 Tablet Computers for the WCSO Motor Unit, for the retroactive grant period of 10/06/2015 through 9/30/16, and direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety has made funding available to purchase 10 Tablet Computers for the Patrol Division Motor Unit. Item was submitted to the first available BCC meeting once all applicable paperwork was received and processed.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

None

BACKGROUND

Grant funds are to be utilized by Washoe County Sheriff's Office to purchase equipment to be used by the WCSO Patrol Division Motor Unit for traffic enforcement.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Washoe County Sheriff's Office – TS Equipment: Tablets

Scope of the Project: Assist with traffic law enforcement

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Increased public safety

On-Going Program Support: WCSO will continue to support the equipment.

Award Amount: \$19,320.00

Grant Period: 10/06/2015 - 9/30/2016

Funding Source: State of Nevada Department of Public Safely

Pass through From: Office of Traffic Safety

CFDA Number: 20.616(c)

Grant ID Number: TS-2016-WCSO-00105

Match Amount and Type: 20%, in kind (\$3,864.00)

Indirect Cost Rate (applicable to the award):

Grant's recoverable indirect cost rate:

Indirect costs are fully recoverable
X Sponsor does not allow for indirect cost recovery
Sponsor has limited indirect cost recovery at ____ %
Sponsor requires indirect Cost Rate Approved by Cognizant Agency

Special Terms & Conditions: Standard assurances as noted in attached award

Sub-Awards and Contracts: None

document.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the adopted budget will be increased by \$19,320.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

INCREASE REVENUES:

11278 - 431100 (Tablets - Federal Grants)

\$ 19,320.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

11278 - 711508 (Tablets - Federal Grants – computers non-cap)

\$19,320.00

This is a reimbursement grant. No indirect costs are allowed. 20% in-kind match will be met with salary of deputies while training on the equipment.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve acceptance of 2016 State of Nevada, Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety project funding [\$19,320.00, 20% in-kind match required, \$3,864.00] to be used to purchase 10 Tablet Computers for the WCSO Motor Unit, for the retroactive grant period of 10/06/2015 through 9/30/16, and direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget adjustments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: Move to approve acceptance of 2016 State of Nevada, Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety project funding [\$19,320.00, 20% in-kind match required, \$3,864.00] to be used to purchase 10 Tablet Computers for the WCSO Motor Unit, for the retroactive grant period of 10/06/2015 through 9/30/16, and direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget adjustments.

Project Title:

STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY PROJECT AGREEMENT OTS DUNS # 956 781 041

Governmen	Governmental Unit:			
Washoe Coun	Washoe County			
DUNS Number: 609738455				
	o: September 30, 2016			
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:				
The purchase of tablet computers to upgrade from old MC-75A's that are failing and do not run the newest versions of the Brazos				
electronic crash/citation software reliably so that data can continue to be input into the NCATS.				
\$19,320,00	CFDA#			
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Future Funding Requests will be reviewed each applicable Federal Fiscal Year upon receipt of a new application, where a				
subsequent year award will be based on available funding, previous performance, and a reassessment of priority concerns.				
ACCEPTANCE OF CONDITIONS: It is understood and agreed by the undersigned that a grant received as a result of this agreement is subject to Public Law 112-141 (Highway Safety Act of 1966) and Nevada Revised Statutes, Chapter 223.200 and all administrative regulations governing				
nd the State of Nevada. It is	expressly agreed that this project constitutes an official			
part of the State's Highway Safety Plan and that said Applicant Agency will meet the requirements as set forth herein, including Schedules A, B, C, & C Supplemental which are incorporated herein and made a part of this agreement. The Applicant Agency MAY NOT proceed with this				
project, or any portion thereof, until funds are appropriated by the U.S. Congress and written authorization is received from the Office of Traffic Safety. It is also understood by the Applicant Agency that any funds expended prior to receipt of the written Authorization to				
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SCHEDULE A DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

PURPOSE PROBLEM STATEMENT:

Within Washoe County the number of injuries resulting from traffic accidents continues to rise. Accidents involving pedestrians, speed, distracted driving etc continue to impact our community and the families that live here. Between January and February of 2014 and the same time period in 2015, the Washoe County Sheriff ∂ s Office investigated an additional 20 accidents. Between December 2014 and February 2015 alone we ∂ ve investigated 4 fatal accidents. This is an intolerable situation.

In addition to this increase in accidents, our current MC75A units are failing, which makes it almost impossible to write any citations, and they are being phased out, which makes it difficult to repair and/or replace. The tablets requested in this application for funding will replace our current MC75As. They are faster, more reliable, and more user friendly and are capable of running the latest version of the Brazos electronic crash/citation software.

This equipment will the reduce the number of fatalities and injuries that occur in our area by streamlining and accelerating our enforcement activities. They will increase the number of citations issued by decreasing the amount of time needed per stopped driver. Studies have shown that visible enforcement and increased ticket issuance does reduce poor driving behavior, thus reducing crashes, injures, and fatalities. By decreasing the amount of time needed for each traffic stop, we increase the amount of time we can spend on these enforcement activities. By having reliable, user friendly equipment, the deputies are able to get back to their patrol duties much quicker. We estimate that this new equipment will result in a 25% reduction in the time needed to issue a citation.

LOCAL DATA:

Our current equipment is failing. We have sent three units back to the vendor for repairs in the last four months, and additional units fail on a regular basis. Sometimes we are able to reboot these, but they continue to crash off and on, losing all data that had been entered. All of this takes time. As these units fail completely our agency does not have the funds to replace them, leaving our Patrol Officers without the means to write a ticket – they either have to hand-write the citation or call another deputy off his patrol beat. Neither choice is viable.

As noted above in the "Problem" section, accidents continue to increase in our area.

CAUSE:

Simply said: our equipment is older and failing and drivers continue to drive in a reckless manner. Replacement will increase our ability to patrol the streets of our community by reducing the amount of time spent writing citations. Having more visible patrol units actively moving throughout their beat area rather than stopped to write a citation will improve driver behavior. We all know that when some drivers see that police car parked on the side of the road, that they feel he will most likely not notice they behavior and that they have free rein to drive poorly. It is imperative that we get our deputies back on the road as quickly as possible.

COUNTERMEASURES:

We would like to purchase the tablets to decrease the amount of time spent writing citations, and thus increase our patrol activity time. In addition to the improved functionality in writing citations, these tablets also have the capability to collect the accident documentation required by the TRCC (Traffic Records Coordination Committee) for entry into NCATS. The device allows deputies to quickly and thoroughly record and report accident data and statistics. This reduces the possibility of errors and speeds up the reporting process, ensuring more timely collection and reporting of these statistics.

GOALS:

Goal 1) To reduce traffic accidents, injuries and fatalities Goal 2) Increase the amount of time in active patrol duties

OBJECTIVES

MEASURABLE STEPS/TIMELINE:

Goal 1 Objective:

- □ To increase traffic citations issued by 10%
- •□To increase our warnings without citations by 10%

Goal 2 Objective:

- •□To decrease the amount of time needed to complete a citation by 20%
- □ Decrease the amount of equipment failure time by 100%

SELF SUSTAINABLE:

The WCSO will assume all responsibility for repair and maintenance of this equipment. It will be supported by our Tech Services Unit.

ACTIVITIES:

These apply to all goals and all objectives:

Within 60 days of receipt of funding we will have a purchase order entered for the equipment.

Within 30 days of receipt of equipment all tablets will be issued and all users trained.

Upon receipt and training of their equipment, deputies will immediately begin using them in their daily patrol activities.

OTHER REQUIRED ACTIVITIES:

- 1. All law enforcement agencies are required to report motor vehicle fatality data to Nevada's Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) analyst at the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety, 4615 W. Sunset Rd, Las Vegas NV 89118, fax: 702.432.5377, or NV@fars.us
- 2. All law enforcement agencies are required to send their motor vehicle crash reports per NRS 484.219, et seq., electronically or manually to the Department of Public Safety/NCATS database and as otherwise required by state law.
- 3. Hold a press conference or submit press release to local newspaper(s) detailing the program, funding source, goals and objectives and the probable outcome within 30 days of receipt of <u>Authorization to</u> Proceed.
- 4. Track, account for and report all in-kind contributions pertaining to this project. Vehicle operation and maintenance, in addition to officer and supervisor salaries/benefits when not in a grant overtime mode, are examples of in-kind contributions.
- 5. Submit monthly progress reports detailing the status of each objective and activity by the 15th of the following month, as well as final *Annual* report summarizing the project's accomplishments or shortcomings by October 31. **Progress reports should include** copies of any reports, documents, press releases, promotional items, and print media coverage related to the grant project. It is suggested that a claim for reimbursement for each month accompany the progress report.

CLAIMS FOR REIMBURSEMENT:

Claims for reimbursement must be submitted in the e-Grants system. Claims must be submitted at least quarterly, if any grant project expenses were incurred and paid during that quarter. Reimbursement claims may be submitted monthly with the progress report.

Your agency/organization is ultimately responsible for verifying that claims for reimbursement, including timesheets for personnel costs, are accurate and that statistics or other data submitted to OTS are correct and valid.

Only costs included in the <u>Project Agreement</u> budget can be claimed. Costs must be for goods and services received during the grant period. If costs incurred were not included in the budget, they become inkind contributions. In-kind contribution amounts should be reported on your claim. Back-up documentation for all expenses claimed is required to be uploaded/attached within the Nevada eGrants system.

Deadline for Filing Reimbursement Claims

Federal grant projects end on September 30 of each fiscal year. All final claims must be filed within 30 days following the end of the fiscal year or the expiration of the project, whichever comes first.

Any claim received after the final deadline (October 31) cannot be honored.

EVALUATION:

We will track how much time is spent trying to re-boot or otherwise repair the tablets vs. our current equipment.

We will track how much less time is spent issuing each citation and how many more citations and/or warnings are issued.

We will track the training provided to each user, and the equipment bar code or serial number that is issued to each individual.

SCHEDULE B

ITEMIZATION OF BUDGET

Agency: Washoe County Sheriff's Office

Project Title: Washoe County Sheriff's Office - TS Equipment: Tablets

Federal Fiscal Year: 2016

Category	Federal Fund	Matching Fund	Total Project Cost 100%
Personnel			\$0.00
Travel			\$0.00
Contract Services			\$0.00
Equipment	\$19,320.00	\$3,864.00	\$23,184.00
Other Direct Costs			\$0.00
Indirect Costs			\$0.00
Program Income			\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$19,320.00	\$3,864.00	\$23,184.00

BUDGET NARRATIVE (only those items to be funded by federal funds):

We will purchase 10 of the tablets for use by our Motors Unit. These are \$1932.00 each, for a total of \$19320.00. This includes associated peripherals. The 20% match requirement is \$7634.00 and will be met utilizing funds from our general fund budget. This reflects the revised equipment as of 9/28/15 - the new quote is attached.

SCHEDULE C AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND COMPLIANCE

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into by and between the STATE OF NEVADA by and through the Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety, hereinafter referred to as "STATE" and the Governmental unit or organization named in this application, hereinafter referred to as "APPLICANT."

WHEREAS, MAP-21, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (P.L. 112-141), of July 6, 2012 provides Federal funds to the State for approved traffic safety projects, and

WHEREAS, STATE may make said funds available to various state, county, or municipal agencies or governments or political sub-divisions upon application and approvals by STATE and the United States Department of Transportation, and

WHEREAS, the APPLICANT must comply with the requirements listed herein, to be eligible for Federal funds in approved traffic safety projects, and

WHEREAS, the APPLICANT has submitted an application for Federal funds for traffic safety projects, and is aware that this agreement is dependent upon availability of funds as appropriated by Congress.

NOW THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF MUTUAL PROMISES AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

I. REIMBURSEMENT OF ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES

- 1. It is mutually agreed and promised that upon written application by APPLICANT and approval by STATE and the United States Department of Transportation, STATE shall obligate said Federal funds to APPLICANT'S account for reimbursement of eligible expenditures as set forth in the application.
- 2. It is mutually agreed and promised that APPLICANT shall reimburse STATE for any ineligible or unauthorized expenditure for which Federal funds have been claimed and payment received as determined by a State or Federal audit.
- 3. It is mutually agreed and promised that where reimbursement is made to APPLICANT in installments, STATE shall have the right to withhold any installments to make up reimbursement received for any ineligible or unauthorized expenditure until such time as the ineligible claim is made up or corrected by APPLICANT.
- 4. It is further agreed that a clear audit trail must be established to determine costs charged against this agreement. Claims with documents to substantiate all costs will be submitted at least quarterly.

II. PROPERTY AGREEMENT

- 1. Property purchased through this project which has an anticipated useful life extending beyond one year, is not consumed in use, is not attached permanently as a non-movable fixture and which costs more than \$5,000 will be recorded in the property management file of the agency in accordance with the State Administrative Manual. The STATE retains the right to inspect and to reclaim custody of any or all of the property described above if, in the opinion of the STATE, the property is not being used as intended; not being used to the capacity that it could be; or being used in a negligent manner.
- 2. It is mutually agreed and promised by the APPLICANT that <u>no property purchased through this project will be conveyed, sold, salvaged, transferred, etc. without the express written approval of the STATE.</u>

- III. <u>RECORDS</u> It is mutually agreed and promised that records of the project, including substantiation for reimbursement, shall be maintained for a period of three years upon reimbursement of final claim voucher and shall be subject to audit during that period.
- IV. <u>AUDIT RESPONSIBILITY</u> All agencies that expend \$750,000 or more in Federal awards in a Federal fiscal year must have a single or program specific audit in compliance with the Single Audit Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-502). Therefore, funding from this traffic safety grant must be included when a Single Audit is performed. It is the responsibility of the applicant agency to insure an accepted copy of this audit is submitted to the STATE. If the applicant agency expended < \$750,000 in federal funding for the fiscal year, a copy of their most recent financial statement will be forwarded to the STATE.
- V. <u>REPORTS</u> The APPLICANT shall submit required reports on the progress of the grant, and shall submit all financial, performance, and other reports required, as a condition of the grant, to the STATE within 30 days after the date of the completion of the contract. The final report of each fiscal year will include a narrative summary of the year including the successes and shortcomings, if any, of the project.
- VI. <u>PUBLIC INFORMATION MATERIALS</u> It is agreed by the APPLICANT prior to production of public information materials through this grant project that proofs, scripts or concept will be submitted for STATE approval. Public information materials includes, but not limited to, TV and radio public service announcements, billboards, pamphlets/brochures and posters, and other promotional materials.

VII. COPYRIGHTS AND PATENTS

- 1. Any copyrightable materials produced in the course of a project may be the property of the STATE and APPLICANT AGENCY; however, provisions should be made to obtain for the United States Government, the State Government and its political subdivisions, a royalty-free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to use in any manner such copyrightable material.
- 2. The ownership of all rights accruing from any patentable discoveries or inventions resulting from a project should be covered in the agreement. An irrevocable, non-exclusive, nontransferable, and royalty-free license to practice each discovery or invention in the manufacture, use, and disposition, according to law, of any article or material, and in the use of any method developed as a part of the work under the agreement should be obtained for the United States Government, the State Government and its political subdivisions.

VIII. MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CERTIFICATION

- 1. The APPLICANT agrees to ensure that the recipients or contractors shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with 49 CFR Part 23 to ensure that minority business enterprises have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform contracts. Recipients and their contractors shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of any subcontracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds.
- 2. Recipient will notify the Office of Traffic Safety prior to the announcement or award of any third-party contract.

IX. <u>CERTIFICATION OF NON-DUPLICATION OF GRANT AND MATCHING FUND EXPENDITURES</u>

The APPLICANT hereby certifies, as a condition of receiving Federal funds under the above-numbered traffic safety project, that:

- 1. There are no Federally funded projects currently active or anticipated that would duplicate expenditures for the work to be carried out and reimbursable under this agreement and that
- 2. The non-Federal funds used to match Federal funds obligated under this project are not being used to

- match any other Federal funds from any source, and that
- 3. Any such duplication of Federal fund expenditures subsequently determined by audit will be subject to recovery by the State of Nevada and the United States Government and that
- 4. Any such duplication of non-Federal matching fund expenditures subsequently determined by audit will subject the Federal funds obligated under this project subject to recovery by the State of Nevada and the United States Government.

X. FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT (FFATA)

The State will comply with FFATA guidance, OMB Guidance on FFATA Subward and Executive Compensation Reporting, August 27, 2010,

(https://www.fsrs.gov/documents/OMB_Guidance_on_FFATA_Subaward_and_Executive_Compensation Reporting 08272010.pdf) by reporting to FSRS.gov for each sub-grant awarded:

- Name of the entity receiving the award;
- Amount of the award:
- Information on the award including transaction type, funding agency, the North American Industry Classification System code or Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number (where applicable), program source;
- Location of the entity receiving the award and the primary location of performance under the award, including the city, State, congressional district, and country; and an award title descriptive of the purpose of each funding action;
- A unique identifier (DUNS);
- The names and total compensation of the five most highly compensated officers of the entity if in the preceding fiscal year, that entity received:
 - 80% or more of its annual gross revenues in Federal awards;
 - \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal awards; and
 - the public does not have access to data on executive compensation through reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
- Any other relevant information specified by OMB.

XI. THE DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT OF 1988 (41 U.S.C. 8103)

- The State will provide a drug-free workplace by:
- Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
 - 1. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace.
 - 2. The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace.
 - 3. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs.
 - 4. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug violations occurring in the workplace.
 - 5. Making it a requirement that each employee engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a).
- Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will -
 - 1. Abide by the terms of the statement.
 - 2. Notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction.

- Notifying the agency within ten days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction.
- Taking one of the following actions, within 30 days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted -
 - 1. Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination.
 - 2. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency.
- Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of all of the paragraphs above.

XII. LOBBYING

A. Certification Regarding Federal Lobbying (applies to Applicants as well as States)

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements the undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- 1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions.

The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-award at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grant, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

B. Restriction on State Lobbying (applies to Applicants as well as States)

None of the funds under this program will be used for any activity specifically designed to urge or influence a State or local legislator to favor or oppose the adoption of any specific legislative proposal pending before any State or local legislative body. Such activities include both direct and indirect (e.g., "grassroots") lobbying activities, with one exception. This does not preclude a State official whose salary is supported with NHTSA funds from engaging in direct communications with State or local legislative officials, in accordance with customary State practice, even if such communications urge legislative officials to favor or oppose the adoption of a specific pending legislative proposal.

XIII. <u>CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION</u> (applies to Applicants as well as States)

Instructions for Primary Certification

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.

- 2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
- 3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.
- 4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 5. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and have the meaning set out in the Definitions and coverage sections of 49 CFR Part 29. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.
- 7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction", provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the list of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-procurement Programs.
- 9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters-Primary Covered Transactions

- (1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that its principals:
- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment

rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of record, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or Local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the Statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Instructions for Lower Tier Certification

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definition and Coverage sections of 49 CFR Part 29. You may contact the person to whom this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transaction", without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions. (See below).
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-procurement Programs.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for

debarment under 48 CFR Part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions:

- 1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- 2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

XIV. BUY AMERICA ACT (applies to Applicants as well as States)

The State will comply with the provisions of the Buy America Act (49 U.S.C. 5323(j)), which contains the following requirements: Only steel, iron and manufactured products produced in the United States may be purchased with Federal funds unless the Secretary of Transportation determines that such domestic purchases would be inconsistent with the public interest, that such materials are not reasonably available and of a satisfactory quality, or that inclusion of domestic materials will increase the cost of the overall project contract by more than 25 percent. Clear justification for the purchase of non-domestic items must be in the form of a waiver request submitted to and approved by the Secretary of Transportation.

XV. POLITICAL ACTIVITY (HATCH ACT) (applies to Applicants as well as States)

The State will comply with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. 1501–1508) which limits the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

XVI. NONDISCRIMINATION (applies to Applicants as well as States)

The State highway safety agency will comply with all Federal statutes and implementing regulations relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to:

- (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Pub. L. 88–352), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin (and 49 CFR Part 21);
- (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1681–1683 and 1685–1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex;
- (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101–336), as amended (42 U.S.C. 12101, et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disabilities (and 49 CFR Part 27);
- (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age;
- (e) the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (Pub. L. 100–259), which requires Federal-aid recipients and all subrecipients to prevent discrimination and ensure nondiscrimination in all of their programs and activities;
- (f) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (Pub. L. 92–255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse;
- (g) the comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91–616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism;
- (h) Sections 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912, as amended (42 U.S.C. 290dd-3 and 290ee-3), relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records;
- (i) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended (42 U.S.C. 3601, et seq.), relating to

nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing;

- (j) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and
- (k) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
- XVII. FAILURE TO COMPLY In addition, the APPLICANT agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the STATE may take any or all of the following actions:
 - 1. Cancel, terminate, or suspend this agreement in whole or part
 - 2. Refrain from extending any further assistance to the APPLICANT under the program, until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received
 - 3. Refer the case to the Attorney General for appropriate legal proceedings.

THIS ASSURANCE is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all Federal grants, loans, contracts, property, discounts, or other Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the APPLICANT by the Department of Public Safety under the U.S. Department of Transportation under the Highway Safety Programs and other participants in the Highway Safety Programs.

It is mutually agreed between the STATE and the APPLICANT that this AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND COMPLIANCE shall become effective upon the STATE'S AGREEMENT and issuance of <u>Authorization</u> to Proceed.

SEE ALSO <u>SCHEDULE C – STATE SUPPLEMENT</u> BELOW

Schedule C - State Supplement

Funds cannot be expended prior to receiving a written <u>Authorization to Proceed</u> from the Department of Public Safety -Office of Traffic Safety

- 1. <u>IF THE GRANTEE AGENCY NEEDS TO MAKE ANY REVISIONS TO THIS PROJECT AGREEMENT</u> during the grant period, the Agency Project Director or Fiscal Officer must notify OTS prior to making such changes, to obtain OTS approval. This includes changes in grant personnel, Project Director, or Fiscal Officer; address, email and phone numbers, scope of work of the project; budgetary changes, etc.
- 2. AS A GRANT APPLICANT, YOUR AGENCY INCLUDED IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION FUNDS when preparing the Schedule B (project budget). The grantee is required to report on or substantiate in-kind contributions on each claim submitted. The Office of Traffic Safety grant program manager assigned to the project can help you with this. For more information please refer to our Grant Administration Manual located on the Nevada eGrants website at: http://egrants.nv.gov; once logged in, click on the 'My Training Materials' tab.
- 3. <u>WHEN PURCHASING EQUIPMENT</u> (extrication, video cameras, radar units, etc.), agency should contact State Purchasing to determine the state's contracted price, if applicable: http://purchasing.state.nv.us/. For equipment purchases with a unit price of \$5,000 or higher, a completed and signed Property Acquisition Report must accompany your claim for reimbursement. This form must be obtained from your assigned OTS Program Manager.
- 4. PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL (PI&E) MATERIALS/PROMOTIONAL ITEMS MUST BE APPROVED BY OTS prior to purchase. All media activities require prior approval of DPS-OTS and educational material must include the phrase: "Funding provided (in whole or in part) by the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety." This includes Public Service Announcements, any program artwork, key chains, etc.
- 5. STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES SELECTED FOR FEDERAL FUNDING ARE SUBJECT TO FEDERAL SINGLE LINE audit requirements and must submit their most recent audit report to OTS. Non-profit organizations are required to provide OTS a copy of their most recent audited financial status report prior to issuance of an Authorization to Proceed.
- 6. <u>ALL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS MUST SUBMIT A COPY OF THEIR APPROVED FEDERAL 501(C) FORM</u> with their signed <u>Project Agreement</u> (this document) as well as a copy of their most recent financial status report regardless of amount of funds awarded. An <u>Authorization to Proceed</u> cannot be issued without these documents on file with DPS-OTS.
- 7. <u>SUB-GRANTEES THAT RECEIVE OTS GRANT FUNDING FOR PERSONNEL COSTS</u> in their budgets are also required to substantiate the payroll time via an activity report, timesheet, or generally accepted payroll documentation. This is particularly applicable to sub-grantees who receive federal funding from more than one source.
- 8. IN RESPONSE TO THE FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT (FFATA), all recipients of Federal grant funding, where individual awards are \$25,000 or more, are required to provide OTS with their unique DUNS number before an <u>Authorization to Proceed</u> can be issued. This information must be submitted to OTS via the Application Process in Nevada eGrants.

9. SUB-GRANTEE IS AND SHALL BE INDEPENDENT and subject only to the terms of the Agreement. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be deemed or construed to create a partnership or joint venture, to create relationships of an employer-employee or principal-agent, or to otherwise create any liability for the State whatsoever with respect to the indebtedness, liabilities, and obligations of the Sub-grantee or any other party. Sub-grantee shall be solely responsible for, and the State shall have no obligation with respect to: (1) withholding of income taxes, FICA or any other taxes or fees; (2) industrial insurance coverage; (3) participation in any group insurance plans available to employees of the State; (4) participation or contributions by either Sub-grantee or the State to the Public Employees Retirement system; (5) accumulation of vacation leave or sick leave; or (6) unemployment compensation coverage provided by the State.

10. INSPECTION & AUDIT.

- a) <u>Books and Records</u>. Each party agrees to keep and maintain under general accepted accounting principles full, true and complete records, agreements, books, and documents as are necessary to fully disclose to the State or United States Government, or their authorized representatives, upon audits or reviews, sufficient information to determine compliance with all state and federal regulations and statutes.
- b) Inspection & Audit. Each party agrees that the relevant books, records (written, electronic, computer related or otherwise), including but not limited to relevant accounting procedures and practices of the party, financial statements and supporting documentation, and documentation related to the work product shall be subject, at any reasonable time, to inspection, examination, review, audit, and copying at any office or location where such records may be found, with or without notice by the Office of Traffic Safety, the Division of Internal Audits, the Legislative Counsel Bureau, State Auditor, Employment Security, the Department of Administration, Budget Division, the Nevada State Attorney General's Office or its Fraud Control Units, the State Legislative Auditor, and with regard to any federal funding, the relevant federal agency, the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, the Office of the Inspector General, or any of their authorized representatives.
- c) <u>Period of Retention</u>. All books, records, reports, and statements relevant to this Agreement must be retained a minimum three years as part of this Agreement. The retention period runs from the date of completion or termination of this Agreement. Retention time shall be extended when an audit is scheduled or in progress for a period reasonably necessary to complete an audit and/or to complete any administrative and judicial litigation which may ensue.
- 11. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>. Neither party waives any right or defense to indemnification that may exist in law or equity.
- 12. <u>LIMITED LIABILITY</u>. The parties will not waive and intend to assert available NRS chapter 41 liability limitations in all cases. Liability of both parties shall not be subject to punitive damages.
- 13. <u>INDEPENDENT PUBLIC AGENCIES</u>. The parties are associated with each other only for the purposes and to the extent set forth in this Agreement, and in respect to performance of services pursuant to this Agreement, each party is and shall be a public or non-profit agency separate and distinct from the other party and, subject only to the terms of this Agreement, shall have the sole right to supervise, manage, operate, control, and direct performance of the details incident to its duties under this Agreement. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be deemed or construed to create a partnership or joint venture, to create relationships of an employer-employee or principal-agent, or to otherwise create any liability for one agency whatsoever with respect to the indebtedness, liabilities, and obligations of the other agency or any other party.
- 14. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>. If any provision contained in this Agreement is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Agreement shall be construed as if such provision did not exist and the non-enforceability of such provision shall not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Agreement unenforceable.

- 15. <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>. Neither party shall assign, transfer or delegate any rights, obligations or duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.
- 16. <u>OWNERSHIP OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION</u>. Unless otherwise provided by law any reports, histories, studies, tests, manuals, instructions, photographs, negatives, blue prints, plans, maps, data, system designs, computer code (which is intended to be consideration under this Agreement), or any other documents or drawings, prepared or in the course of preparation by either party in performance of its obligations under this Agreement shall be the joint property of both parties.
- 17. <u>PUBLIC RECORDS</u>. Pursuant to NRS 239.010, information or documents may be open to public inspection and copying. The parties will have the duty to disclose unless a particular record is made confidential by law or a common law balancing of interests.
- 18. <u>CONFIDENTIALITY</u>. Each party shall keep confidential all information, in whatever form, produced, prepared, observed or received by that party to the extent that such information is confidential by law or otherwise required by this Agreement.
- 19. <u>PROPER AUTHORITY</u>. The parties hereto represent and warrant that the person executing this Agreement on behalf of each party has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and that the parties are authorized by law to perform duties and obligations specified in this Agreement.
- 20. <u>GOVERNING LAW; JURISDICTION</u>. This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Nevada. The parties consent to the jurisdiction of the Nevada district courts for enforcement of this Agreement.

It is mutually agreed between the STATE and the APPLICANT agency that this <u>SCHEDULE C – STATE</u> <u>SUPPLEMENT</u> shall become effective upon the STATE'S AGREEMENT and issuance of <u>Authorization to</u> Proceed.

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