



ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

ITEM DATE: June 11, 2019	ITEM TIME: Consent Agenda

FROM:	Tom Sullivan
TODAY’S DATE:	May 29, 2019
AGENDA TITLE:	US Forest Service Cooperative Law Enforcement Annual Operating Plan and Financial Plan Agreement with Routt County

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I. DESCRIBE THE REQUEST OR ISSUE:

The US Forest Service Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland, (USFS) wishes to enter in a 2019 US Forest Service Cooperative Law Enforcement Annual Operating Plan and Financial Plan Agreement with Routt County patrol activity on USFS roads and campgrounds. The Routt County Sheriff’s Office has provided these patrol activities for many years. Please see page 3 of exhibit A for the areas identified for patrol and law enforcement. The financial plan amounts to \$8,000 in reimbursement of costs as billed by the Sheriff’s Office. The agreement was presented for signature on May 24 and for timeliness was signed by Board Chair Beth Melton on May 29, 2019. BCC approval includes ratification of the agreement signing.

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion approving the US Forest Service Cooperative Law Enforcement Annual Operating Plan and Financial Plan Agreement with Routt County and ratify the signature of Board Chair Beth Melton.

III. DESCRIBE FISCAL IMPACTS (VARIATION TO BUDGET):

PROPOSED REVENUE:	\$8,000.00
PROPOSED EXPENDITURE:	\$8,000.00
FUNDING SOURCE:	USFS

IV. IMPACTS OF A REGIONAL NATURE OR ON OTHER JURISDICTIONS (IDENTIFY ANY COMMUNICATIONS ON THIS ITEM):

Provision of law enforcement services on federal roads and lands in Routt County.



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V. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The agreement authorizes reimbursement of costs for all types of enforcement activities at the rate of \$74.50/hour. For some patrols the agreement allows use of personally owned equipment and animal stock. In the past the Sheriff has used personally owned stock trailers, horses and 4-wheelers for patrol in campgrounds. These costs are initially reimbursed by Routt County and County is reimbursed by USFS.

VI. LEGAL ISSUES:

The agreement has been reviewed by the county attorney.

VII. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

None

VIII. SUMMARY AND OTHER OPTIONS:

The USFS desires to contract for law enforcement services and Routt County has agreed to provide the services for many years.