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Board of State and Community Corrections
2590 Venture Oaks Way
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Attn.: Mr. Lenard LaChappell, Project Director

**RE: TRI-COUNTY JUVENILE REHABILITATION FACILITY
REGIONAL FACILITY – YUBA, SUTTER AND COLUSA COUNTIES
SB 81 ROUND 1 PROJECT SCOPE**

Dear Mr. LaChappell:

The Tri County Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility Oversight Committee is formally requesting that the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) approve a scope change for SB 81 Round 1 funding. This \$5.6 million was originally conditionally awarded in 2009 based on Colusa County's 10 bed facility plan.

The Counties of Colusa, Sutter and Yuba have been working together to develop a Tri-County Regional Rehabilitation Facility for our region's youth for more than five years. This project is now on the verge of becoming a reality.

The process began in 2009 when Colusa County was originally conditionally awarded \$5.65 million award to build a full 10 bed juvenile facility. After discussions with neighboring Sutter and Yuba counties, it was determined a regional facility brought greater benefit and a stronger set of solutions to all. All three counties embraced the concept. Special legislation SB 365 was passed in 2013 that transferred the \$5.6 million conditional award to be used for a Tri-County regional facility with Yuba County as the lead agency. The BSCC affirmed that transfer of the original conditional award to Yuba County in 2014.

A Needs Assessment completed in 2014 determined the cumulative need for the three counties was a 48 bed facility to meet their future needs. And that need is great. The current Bi-County facility is the former 1940's tuberculosis unit of the since-demolished Yuba County hospital. It is an antiquated building that requires an extraordinary amount of maintenance

and upkeep. It lacks adequate programming space, medical and support space, modern housing, and will not be PREA compliant.

The county presented the original scope for this new regional project as a 48 bed facility. Clearly, the resources necessary to construct a 48 bed facility are greater than those needed for the originally scoped 10 bed facility. So concurrent to this first round initiative, the three counties have subsequently applied for and been awarded additional SB81 funding. That application, as a 'Round 2' project was for a 32 bed facility with programming and classroom spaces. The Tri County Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility Oversight Committee is formally requesting that the BSCC approve a scope change for the SB 81 Round 1 funding for a 16 bed facility in order to complete the full 48 bed regional juvenile rehabilitation facility.

The three counties have worked closely to develop plans for a new juvenile facility that brings value to youthful offenders, with emphasis on the juvenile population and their families, of all three counties. This Round 1 facility focuses on building an environment where the communities' kids can truly be rehabilitated using Best Practices. The following elements will be included within the Round 1 funding scope:

Housing: One podular housing unit of 16 beds with both double and single wet sleeping rooms, a dayroom, storage and a large recreation yard directly accessible from the dayroom

The dayroom will contain tables and seating with showers, toilets, faucets, and fountains accessible from the dayroom.

This program space can be used for mental health evaluations, counseling, visitation, interview or individual programming needs.

Administration: New administration space will include offices, a break room with lockers, and general staff space and storage.

Utilities: Utility closets and chases will be provided with this round of funding for the entire facility.

Visiting: A multi-purpose space with attached storage will be provided for contact visiting. An adjacent non-contact visiting room will be provided, which may be used by both attorneys and family. Video visitation kiosks will be used as well in this facility.

Lobby: A public lobby greeting visitors with a receptionist desk will serve as a backup control center whenever central control is not staffed. A unisex restroom will be provided in the lobby area for the public.

At the conclusion of both projects, the Tri County Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility will consist of a standalone 48 bed regional youthful offender rehabilitative facility and associated programming and support spaces.

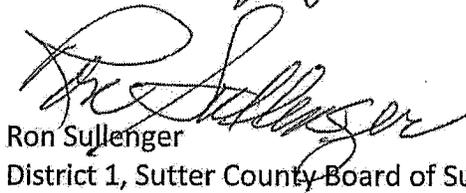
Please consider this our formal request of the BSCC to approve a change in scope for our SB81 Round 1 project.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Doug McCoy at (530) 749-7880.

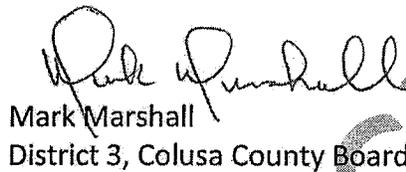
Sincerely,



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