



SIDE LETTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE COUNTY OF BUTTE (COUNTY)
AND
THE BUTTE COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION-GENERAL UNIT
(ASSOCIATION)

Whereas, the County of Butte (County) and Deputy Sheriff's Association-General Unit (Association) desire to resolve pending issues related to the following:

- Adding additional classifications that are eligible to receive the 5% Basic POST Certificate Pay as described in section 14.01 of the MOU.
- Modification to the County Personnel Rules to reflect a change in the 12-month measurement period to establish FMLA/CFRA entitlement.

NOW THEREFORE, County and Association hereby agree to the following terms and conditions related to the issues referenced above:

1. BASIC POST CERTIFICATE PAY

Section 14.01 of the MOU states the following:

Basic POST Certificate. Employees in the classifications of Deputy Sheriff and Sheriff Sergeant, possessing the Basic POST Certificate, shall have their base salaries increased by five (5%) percent.

County and Association hereby agree amend section 14.01 of the MOU to state the following:

Basic POST Certificate. Employees in the classifications of Deputy Sheriff, Sheriff Sergeant, Investigator I, and Investigator II possessing the Basic POST Certificate, shall receive five (5%) percent.

The effective date of this change will be the beginning of the first full pay period following ratification of this side letter by the Butte County Board of Supervisors.

2. CHANGE IN FMLA/CFRA METHODOLOGY

County and Association agree to move from a calendar year qualifying period to a rolling 12-month period measured backward from the date an employee uses any FMLA and/or CFRA leave. Under the "rolling" 12-month period, each time an employee takes FMLA/CFRA leave, the remaining leave entitlement would be the balance of the 12 weeks which has not been used during the immediately preceding 12 months.

This Side Letter Agreement identifies those articles, sections, and subsections of the Memorandum of Understanding between the County and the Association that the parties have mutually agreed to revise. All other terms of the Memorandum of Understanding remain in full force and effect.

FOR THE COUNTY OF BUTTE

FOR DSA



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Butte County Board of Supervisors, Chair

Date: 10/24/2017



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

2016-2019

**BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF BUTTE
AND
BUTTE COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION-
GENERAL UNIT**

BUTTE COUNTY
DEPUTY SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION
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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
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GENERAL UNIT**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, Section 3500 et seq. of the California Government Code and Chapter 10 of the Butte County Personnel Rules and Regulations, representatives of the County of Butte, hereafter called "County," and the Butte County Deputy Sheriff's Association, hereafter called "Association," have "met and conferred" concerning the subject of wages, hours and working conditions for law enforcement employees in the General Unit of representation. This memorandum represents the good faith effort of both the County and the Association representatives to reach agreement on matters of wages, hours and conditions of employment. It is understood that this agreement is not binding upon the County until such time as it is ratified by the Butte County Board of Supervisors and the membership of the Association. This Memorandum of Understanding is effective upon adoption by the Board of Supervisors and continues through November 30, 2019. It is agreed as follows:

1.00 RECOGNITION

The County recognizes the Association as the exclusive representative for employees designated in the General Unit of law enforcement employees pursuant to Section 3500 et seq. of the California Government Code and the County Employer/Employee Relations Policy set forth in Chapter 10 of the Butte County Personnel Rules. The Unit consists of employees in the classifications shown in Attachment A.

2.00 MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

The County reserves all rights with respect to matters of general legislative and managerial policy including, among others, the exclusive right to determine the mission of its constituent departments, commissions and boards; set standards of service; determine the procedures and standards of selection for employment; direct its employees; take disciplinary action; relieve its employees of duties because of lack of work or for other legitimate reasons; maintain the efficiency of governmental operations; determine the methods, means and personnel by which governmental operations are to be conducted; take all necessary actions to carry out its mission in emergencies; and exercise complete control and discretion over its organization and the technology of performing its work. These rights shall be limited only as specified in this agreement.

3.00 ASSOCIATION SECURITY

The Human Resources Director shall provide the Association a payroll deduction for each member of the Association who has provided a written authorization to the Human Resources Department for such deduction. The authorization form shall be prepared by the Association and shall include sufficient information to permit the member to understand clearly the amount and purpose of the deduction and to permit the Human Resources Department to have a legal record authorizing such deduction. Changes in deduction, additions or deletions, will be done by written authorization signed by the

member. Authorizations for deductions must be received by the Human Resources Department at least two weeks before the end of the pay period in which the deduction is to be made. The Human Resources Department will not make retroactive payroll deductions for the purposes specified in this section.

3.01 Maintenance of Membership

- a. Association membership is not a mandatory condition of employment for any employee covered by this agreement. However, any employee covered by this agreement who is an Association member, or becomes an Association member shall continue to pay to the Association those dues or fees regularly charged members of the Association in good standing for the life of this agreement. Any new employee covered by this Agreement who, after completing thirty (30) calendar days of employment voluntarily joins the Association, shall be subject to the same terms of continued membership as employees above.
- b. Every employee who is a member of the Association shall have the right to withdraw from membership during the last twenty (20) days of this agreement. An employee who has properly withdrawn membership as provided herein shall not be subject to the provisions of this section.
- c. Upon return from leaves of absence, the County shall reinstate the payroll deduction of Association dues for those employees who are on dues check-off immediately prior to taking leave, provided that the employee has not authorized cancellation of dues check-off in accordance with the prescribed provision of the agreement under which they were a member has not expired.
- d. Enforcement of this section shall be the responsibility of the Association, utilizing appropriate civil procedures. The Association shall indemnify and hold the County harmless from any and all claims, demands or suits, or any other action arising from this section.

4.00 ASSOCIATION RIGHTS

4.01 Employee Access. The Association representatives shall have access to employees within the Unit during the employee's normal working hours only for the purpose of assisting the member with a formal grievance or appeal against the County when such assistance is requested by the employee.

4.02 Bulletin Boards. The Association will have access to a portion of the departmental bulletin boards designated by the appointing authority for the purpose of publishing meeting announcements and other organization notices.

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The Association agrees that notices posted on bulletin boards shall not contain anything that may be construed as maligning and/or derogatory to the County or its representatives. Informational materials only may be posted. No derogatory, inflammatory or political materials may be posted.

Material posted shall not contain personal attacks on any County official or employee, any material that constitutes harassment, discrimination or retaliation based on race, gender, ethnicity, religion or other statutorily or constitutionally impermissible basis, as well as any pornographic or obscene material.

The County reserves the right to remove any material posted in violation of this section, and any County decision to do so is not grievable.

4.03 Use of Facilities. The Association may, with prior approval of the appointing authority responsible for a County facility, utilize meeting rooms to assemble members during off-duty hours.

4.04 Internal Communications. The Association shall, to the extent practical, have access to the County courier service and internal delivery of correspondence between the Association and members, provided that such correspondence is limited to matters of employer/employee relations and does not involve internal employee organization business such as soliciting memberships, campaigning for office and elections.

The County agrees to provide the Association annually during the month of January, a complete updated listing of the name, classification and department of assignment of all employees designated in the Unit. Upon the request of the Association, the County also agrees to provide on a monthly basis, a copy of the monthly status report which will include that information that is required by law. (Currently includes a list of members, employee identification number, department, classification, hire date and home address-unless such information is otherwise confidential). In the event of a layoff in classes represented by the Association, the Association shall be provided with a copy of the resulting reemployment list(s).

4.05 New Classifications. The Association shall be advised in advance of any new position or classification to be created or changed in any way and afforded a full and complete opportunity to meet and confer with the County relative to negotiable matters relating to said positions or classifications. The County and the Association may meet and confer if necessary regarding any matters within the scope of representation concerning 1) any County change to an existing job classification or 2) County adoption of a new job classification. The Association shall be provided the following information, if available, at the time of notification from the County:

- The proposed job specification;
- Current job specification;

- The proposed salary;
- Current salary, and
- Organizational Chart including position.

The Association's bargaining team shall normally be limited to three representatives, including paid staff, unless otherwise agreed by the parties.

4.06 Association Release Time Bank

Time Bank: Association members may donate vacation time, holiday time, and compensatory time off to an Association "time bank" under the following guidelines:

1. Only Association officers or bargaining team members may draw from the bank.
2. Requests to use time from the bank must be made reasonably in advance of the use and approval is subject to the operational necessity of the department. Further, the County is not required to grant time bank usage if to do so would result in overtime.
3. Time may be used for:
 - a. Bargaining preparation.
 - b. Association meetings.
 - c. PORAC related meetings.
 - d. Releasing an employee representative to assist a member at the formal steps of the disciplinary and grievance procedures.
4. Except for disciplinary and grievance appeal meeting, the maximum hours of time bank use shall be forty (40) hours per calendar year, per individual. The County and Association have agreed upon the methodology for administering the time bank as set forth in Attachments B-1 and B-2.

5.00 ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES

The Association shall be allowed to designate up to three (3) employees within the unit to serve as representatives to negotiate with the County. The Association shall provide the Director of Human Resources with the name, classification and department assigned of each of the negotiators. Should any changes or alternate be appointed after the original list is established, the Association shall advise the Director of Human Resources immediately. Employees designated as unit negotiators shall as authorized by the Director of Human Resources be granted a reasonable release time from scheduled duties without loss of pay to meet with the County representative during negotiations of matters of wages, hours and conditions of employment. The County shall not be responsible for any travel, overtime or miscellaneous cost resulting from the Association exercising this right.

6.00 NON-DISCRIMINATION

Neither the County nor the Association shall discriminate (except as allowed by law) against any worker because of race, age, sex, color, disability, creed, national origin, religion, union affiliation or the right of workers to join or refuse to join the Association. In addition, the County and Association agree to cooperate to achieve equitable representation of women and minorities at all occupational levels within the County Merit System.

7.00 PERSONNEL FILES

An employee or his/her representative authorized in writing shall have the right to review the contents of the employee's personnel file during normal business hours. No material regarding the employee's performance or conduct shall be included in the employee's personnel file without prior notice to the employee. Employees may submit a reasonable amount of material relevant to their job performance for inclusion in their personnel file and shall be permitted to submit rebuttals, when appropriate, for permanent attachment to negative materials.

8.00 HOURS OF WORK AND RESTRICTIONS

8.01 Work Schedules. The normal work schedule shall be 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day of the year except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. The normal work period shall be eighty (80) hours per biweekly pay period for a full-time employee. Except for overtime, callback and standby assignments, departments which necessitate a different operational schedule shall maintain and post an employee assignment schedule. No employee, except in case of emergency, shall be required to work a different work schedule than assigned unless the employee has been notified at least ten (10) days in advance of the change in work schedule.

8.02 Special Schedules. Employees may, at the discretion of the Appointing Authority, be assigned either an eight (8), nine (9), ten (10) or twelve (12) hour work day which may include a paid meal break during the mid-portion of the shift.

Any decisions regarding a 12 hour shift would be at the discretion of the Sheriff. Any change in the patrol work schedule shall not affect any employee's regular rate of pay. All additional wages associated with regularly scheduled shift assignments shall be reported as special compensation pursuant to 2 CCR §571, subject to PERS approval.

8.03 Meal Break. If an employee is assigned four (4) or more hours overtime work continuous to the employee's regular work shift, the employee shall be permitted at the end of each four (4) hour overtime period a one-half (1/2) hour meal break, the time to be considered work time. This section shall not apply to employees on call, or employees attending or traveling to meetings, or training sessions.

9.00 OVERTIME

- 9.01 **Eligible Positions.** All positions in classifications designated in the Association's General Unit.
- 9.02 **207(k) FLSA Work Period.** The parties mutually recognize and acknowledge the existing 14-day 207(k) work period that governs all sworn law enforcement personnel. Per 29 U.S.C. 207(k), the FLSA overtime threshold for sworn law enforcement personnel in the 14-day work period is 86 hours.
- 9.03 **Overtime Defined.** Notwithstanding the 207(k) work period addressed in Section 9.02, overtime is any work rounded to the nearest fifteen (15) minutes in excess of eight (8) hours per day or forty (40) hours per week. For employees whose normal assigned work day is in excess of eight (8) hours, overtime shall be work rounded to the nearest fifteen (15) minutes beyond the normally assigned hours. For the purpose of calculating overtime, all paid time off with the exception of sick leave shall be considered hours worked.
- 9.04 **Overtime Authorization.** Employees shall be required to work overtime when assigned by the appointing authority or designated representative. No employee shall work overtime without prior approval of the appointing authority or designated representative.
- 9.05 **Overtime Compensation.**

9.05.01 Overtime Rate

Employees shall be compensated for overtime at one and one-half (1-1/2) times their regular rate of pay as defined in the Fair Labor Standards Act. Overtime compensation may, at the discretion of the appointing authority, be paid with regular wages in the pay period in which it was earned or be credited as Compensatory Time Off (CTO).

The maximum CTO for Deputy Sheriff, District Attorney's Investigator I & II, and Sheriff's Sergeant shall be 80 hours.

9.05.02 Double Shifts

Except in cases of emergency, no employee will be required to work more than double the hours in their normal shift within a twenty-four (24) hour period. For example, an employee working a ten (10) hour shift would not be required to work more than twenty (20) hours. In such cases of emergency, employees shall be paid double time for those hours worked in excess of a double shift.

9.05.03 Personnel Assigned to a Twelve (12) Hour Work Schedule

For Deputy Sheriffs scheduled to work twelve (12) hour shifts, overtime will be provided for any time worked in excess of twelve (12) hours per day, or in excess of eighty-four (84) hours in a fourteen (14) day pay period, rounded to the nearest fifteen (15) minutes. For the purpose of calculating this overtime, all paid time off with the exception of sick leave shall be considered hours worked.

In addition, due to their longer shifts, Deputy Sheriffs scheduled to work twelve (12) hours shifts will be paid a "12 Hour Patrol Premium" pay as detailed below. This additional pay will be paid in lieu of receiving contract overtime for hours 81 through 84 in the pay period. Such pay is pensionable ("Patrol Deputy" premium). Deputy Sheriffs not scheduled to work twelve (12) hour shifts are not eligible for this premium.

- 9.06 Accumulated Compensatory Time Off.** An employee who has requested use of accumulated CTO shall be permitted by the appointing authority to use such time within a reasonable period unless the request unduly disrupts departmental operations. Denial of CTO usage is subject to the grievance procedure. Should arbitration result in a finding the County was arbitrary, capricious or discriminatory in denying the CTO request, the arbitrator may award a penalty of 1.33 times the amount of CTO requested and denied. In addition, at the time such arbitration award is made against the County, the employee may, within five (5) days of the award, request payment for any or all CTO on accrual at the time.

Once an employee has reached the cap of 80 hours of CTO, the appointing authority may require the employee to take off any excess hours during the work week in which it is earned. Any CTO accumulation in excess of the 80 hour cap which is not taken in the work week in which it is earned, shall be paid with regular wages in the pay period in which it is earned.

- 9.07 Fringe Benefits Not Affected By Overtime.** Overtime work shall not be a basis of increasing vacation, sick leave, or other benefits, nor shall it be the basis for advancing completion of the required period for probation or salary step advancement.

10.00 VACATION LEAVE

Refer to Personnel Rules.

- 10.01 Vacation Eligibility.** An employee who has less than six (6) months of uninterrupted service shall not be entitled to a vacation.

- 10.02 Vacation Carryover.** When a unit employee is unable to take scheduled vacation during a calendar year due to unusual and extenuating departmental needs which result in the employee's annual vacation accrual to exceed the maximum limits authorized, the department head shall advise the Human Resources Director that the employee will exceed the annual vacation accrual

limits and shall schedule the excess accrual vacation days to be taken off between the period January 1 and March 31 of the new calendar year. Should the employee voluntarily choose not to take the scheduled vacation during the extension period, the excess accrual days shall be forfeited. Should a department head, as a result of emergency needs of the County, be unable to schedule the excess accrual vacation days during the extension period, the employee shall be paid for the excess accrual of vacation days following the end of the extension period, the employee shall cease to accrue vacation time until the vacation accruals fall below twice the employees accrual rate. Should a department head, as a result of emergency needs of the County, be unable to schedule the excess accrual vacation days off during the extension period, the employee shall be paid for the excess accrual of vacation days following the end of the extension period.

10.03 Vacation Payout. Upon termination, employees shall be compensated for all unused vacation accrual and entitlement at their current rate of pay.

10.04 Vacation Scheduling. Vacations shall be scheduled at the request of the employee and with the approval of the department. A departmental vacation schedule shall be arranged with time preference given to employees on the basis of seniority.

10.05 Lateral Transfers. Individuals laterally transferring from an outside agency as a peace officer into a peace officer position with the Butte County Sheriff's Department or the District Attorney's Office may be provided two (2) weeks accrued vacation at the time of hire in addition to the regular accruals. Eligibility to use vacation accruals shall remain unchanged. If hired into a less than full-time position, these accruals shall be calculated on a pro-rated basis.

10.06 Vacation Buy-Back. Employees shall have the option of requesting pay in lieu of time off up to a maximum of 144 hours of vacation time each year, during each year of the contract in increments of eight (8) hours. Such requests are subject to the approval of the department head and the availability of funds.

11.00 SICK LEAVE

Refer to Personnel Rules.

11.01 Lateral Transfers. Individuals laterally transferring from an outside agency as a peace officer into a peace officer position with the Butte County Sheriff's Department or the District Attorney's Office may be provided 96 hours accrued sick leave at the time of hire in addition to the regular accruals. If hired into a less than full-time position, these accruals shall be calculated on a pro-rated basis.

12.00 LEAVES OF ABSENCE

12.01 Bereavement Leave.

Refer to Personnel Rules.

12.02 Paternity Leave.

Refer to Personnel Rules.

12.03 Industrial Disability Leave Without Pay (Workers Compensation). Each regular employee who is injured or contracts an industrial illness on duty shall be granted an unpaid disability leave by the appointing authority from the time accrued leave benefits are exhausted until the employee is released to return to work, or the employee is declared permanent and stationary, or a compromise and release is signed, whichever occurs first. Employees shall accrue no benefits while in this status except as provided by the Personnel Rules. The appointing authority shall notify the Director of Human Resources of such leave.

12.04 Military Leave.

Refer to Personnel Rules.

12.05 Family Care and Medical Leave. Refer to the Medical Leave Policy contained in the appendix of the Personnel Rules. During the term of the MOU, the parties agree to discuss changes to the Medical Leave Policy contained in the Personnel Rules.

12.06 Jury and Witness Leaves (Non-job Related).

Refer to Personnel Rules.

12.07 Paid Administrative Leave. An appointing authority or designated representative, in his/her sole discretion, may, when extraordinary circumstances exist and it is necessary for the operation of the department, place an employee on paid administrative leave, subject to call. In the event an employee is placed on Paid Administrative Leave, the employee's schedule may be changed, at the sole discretion of the Sheriff, District Attorney or their designee, to Monday through Friday day shift, which traditionally is 5-8's, 4-10's or similar schedule. Employees who are on 24 hour/7 day a week coverage schedule will continue to bank Holiday time as Holidays occur while on said leave. While in Paid Administrative Leave status, the employee shall remain available through his/her home telephone or cell phone during regular working hours, and is expected to respond to calls within one (1) hour of notification. Absent extraordinary circumstances, a failure to respond when called will constitute a violation of the directive that the employee remain available during regular working hours, and may result in the employee being subjected to disciplinary action, up to and including termination from employment.

13.00 HOLIDAYS

13.01. Designated Holidays. The County and the DSA recognize and observe the following holidays as designated by the County's Personnel Rules:

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| 1) | New Year's Day | January 1 |
| 2) | Martin Luther King' Birthday | Third Monday in January |
| 3) | Presidents Day | Third Monday in February |
| 4) | Cesar Chavez Birthday | March 31 |
| 5) | Memorial Day | Last Monday in May |
| 6) | Independence Day | July 4 |
| 7) | Labor Day | First Monday in September |
| 8) | Veteran's Day | November 11 |
| 9) | Thanksgiving Day | Designated Thursday in November |
| 10) | Post-Thanksgiving Day | Friday following Thanksgiving Day |
| 11) | Christmas Day | December 25 |
| 12) | Every day appointed by the President and/or Governor, and the Board of Supervisors for a public fast, thanksgiving or holiday, when the day is celebrated as a State or Federal holiday. Days declared as permanent Federal holidays shall be observed as County holidays. | |

13.02 Holiday Hours. Effective the pay period including July 1, 2012, in lieu of receiving the additional \$55/month towards the County's contribution for medical premiums, all regular help employees covered by this unit shall be compensated for each observed holiday on a scheduled shift basis (8 hours for a 8-hour shift; 9 hours for a 9-hour shift; 10 hours for a 10-hour shift) of straight time pay, not to exceed ten (10) hours of compensation.

13.03 Holiday Compensation. Regular employees required to work on a designated holiday or whose regularly scheduled day off falls on a designated holiday shall, accrue an equivalent number of holiday hours for future use. Effective July 1, 2014, once an employee has accrued 110 hours of holiday time, the employee will immediately be paid for any additional holiday hours at his/her regular rate of pay. Upon mutual agreement of the employee and County, employees may receive payment for holiday time in lieu of time off.

14.00 COMPENSATION

14.01 Salary

All wages in the salary/step schedule for represented classifications shall be increased by five percent (5%) effective December 3, 2016. All wages in the salary/step schedule for represented classifications shall be increased by an additional three percent (3%) effective December 2, 2017. All wages in the salary/step schedule for represented classifications shall be increased by an additional four percent (4%) effective December 1, 2018.

Basic POST Certificate. Employees in the classifications of Deputy Sheriff and Sheriff Sergeant, possessing the Basic POST Certificate, shall have their base salaries increased by five (5%) percent.

Intermediate POST Certificate. Employees possessing the Intermediate POST Certificate shall have their base salaries increased by an additional three and a half (3.5%) percent.

Advanced POST Certificate. Employees possessing an Advanced POST certificate shall receive an additional four and a half (4.5%) percent.

14.02 Shift Differential.

Refer to Personnel Rules.

14.03 Temporary Assignment in Higher Paid Classification (Temporary Upgrade).

Whenever an employee is assigned in writing by their supervisor or acting supervisor to work in a higher classification and, therefore, performs substantially all of the duties of the higher classification for a period of more than twelve (12) cumulative working days in a fiscal year, the employee shall be entitled to be compensated with an additional five percent (5%) over their current rate of pay beginning with the thirteenth (13th) day of assignment. Compensation earned in said assignments shall only be reported to PERS as pensionable compensation as allowed by law. Current law allows this to be reported as pensionable compensation for Classic Members only (as defined by the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act (PEPRA)).

14.04 Bilingual Pay Differential (Bilingual Premium). When it has been determined that an employee's use of bilingual language skills or specialized communications skills are essential and critical for the successful performance of job duties, a bilingual differential shall be paid at a rate \$80.00 per pay period worked, calculated on an hourly basis or portion thereof. Authorized time off of less than four weeks shall not affect the calculation of bi-lingual pay (approved vacation of any length shall not affect the calculation of bilingual pay). Extra help shall not be eligible to receive the bilingual pay differential.

14.05 Callback.

14.05.01 Overtime and Callback. An employee who is physically required to return to work on an overtime basis shall receive either a minimum of two hours straight pay or time off, or time and one-half pay or CTO for the time actually worked, whichever is greater.

14.05.02 Callback on Regular Day Off. Employees called back to work on their regular day off will receive a minimum of three (3) hours straight pay or time off, or time and one-half pay or CTO for the time actually worked, whichever is greater.

- 14.06 Standby Pay.** Employees required to be on standby shall receive forty dollars (\$40.00) for each eight (8) hour period or portion thereof. Employees placed on standby status shall keep the appointing authority advised of their location during the shift and shall respond to duty within one (1) hour from the time of notification. Employees returning to work from standby status shall not be eligible for callback pay as specified in the County Personnel Rules.
- 14.07 Field Training Officer (Training Premium).** Individuals assigned as Field Training Officers shall receive Eight Dollars (\$8.00) per shift while actually performing FTO responsibilities. The reassignment by the appointing authority from a paid FTO activity to a non-FTO activity shall not be considered as a demotion or loss of pay and shall not be subject to the grievance or appeal process.
- 14.08 Investigation Assignment (Detective Division Premium).** Deputy Sheriffs and Sheriff's Sergeants assigned to investigations shall receive five percent (5%) assignment pay. The reassignment by the appointing authority from an investigation assignment to a non-investigation assignment shall not be considered as a demotion or loss of pay and shall not be subject to the grievance or appeal process.
- 14.09 Bomb Squad (Hazard Premium).** Individuals assigned to the bomb squad will receive a differential of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) per month. The reassignment by the appointing authority from a bomb squad assignment to a non-investigation assignment shall not be considered as a demotion or loss of pay and shall not be subject to the grievance or appeal process.
- 14.10 Gang Assignment (Gang Detail Assignment Premium).** Deputy Sheriffs and Sheriff's Sergeants assigned to Gang Assignment shall receive five percent (5%) assignment pay. The reassignment by the appointing authority from a gang assignment to a non-gang assignment shall not be considered as a demotion or loss of pay and shall not be subject to the grievance or appeal process.
- 14.11 Canine Compensation (Canine Officer/Animal Premium).** Individuals assigned to the Canine Unit will be paid for an additional forty (40) minutes per day as full and complete compensation for all time spent caring for the assigned animal during the employee's off duty hours. This will include feeding, cleaning, brushing, and miscellaneous home training. No employee shall spend more than the allocated forty (40) minutes per day with the express written authorization of their supervisor.

This time shall be paid at the rate of the current federal minimum wage per hour (at straight time or to be calculated at time a half when appropriate). The routine

reassignment by the appointing authority from a Canine assignment to a non-canine assignment shall not be considered as a demotion or loss of pay and shall not be subject to the grievance or appeal process unless presented as a punitive action.

- 14.12 Information Systems Assignment (Computer Operations Premium).** A regular employee assigned to perform the principle information systems function in the department or division and who is not classified as an information systems position shall receive an additional 5% compensation calculated on base pay. The assignment must be made in writing and approved by the department head. The additional compensation shall commence the first day of written assignment, providing said assignment is for a minimum of two consecutive pay periods.
- 14.13 Out of Sequence Merit Advancement.** In addition to the provisions regarding merit advancement in the Personnel Rules, the following shall apply to members of this unit: The appointing authority may grant out of sequence merit advancements up to twice for an employee in a specific classification.
- 14.14 Lateral Transfer Salary Step.** Upon written request of the Sheriff-Coroner and with the concurrence of the Human Resources Director and the Chief Administrative Officer, the Sheriff Coroner may make a conditional offer of employment to place a lateral Sheriff's Deputy transfer candidate in the salary step 5% greater than the candidate's salary prior to the transfer. However, the candidate's salary shall never exceed the top stop of the salary range in the new classification.
- 14.15 Court Standby.** An employee required to standby at home on the employee's non-work day awaiting to be called to Court pursuant to a subpoena to testify in a criminal prosecution will receive one hour of vacation accrual for each hour of waiting at home, rounded to the nearest quarter hour. This accrual shall begin at 8:00 AM on the day of the Court standby and shall end when the employee is either called to leave home to go to Court commencing callback pay or is informed that the employee will not have to report to Court that day. Court standby vacation accrual shall not overlap callback pay.
- 14.16 Cellular Phone Stipend.** Effective the first full pay period after adoption of this MOU, eligible employees shall receive a monthly cell phone stipend of seventy dollars (\$70.00) for use of a privately owned cell phone to conduct County business. This stipend will be provided at the discretion of the Sheriff, the District Attorney, or their designee, based on operational needs and/or County policy.
- 14.17 Twelve (12) Hour Patrol Premium (Patrol Deputy Premium).** Represented employees assigned to the twelve (12) hour work schedule shall receive an additional payment equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of their base salary ("12 Hour Patrol Premium" pay).

The reassignment by the appointing authority from a twelve (12) hour assignment shall not be considered as a demotion or loss of pay and shall not be subject to the

grievance or appeal process. Any decision to eliminate or remove the twelve (12) hour shift schedule from the Patrol work schedule shall be at the sole discretion of the Sheriff, given the employee has been notified of the schedule change at least ten (10) days in advance pursuant to Section 8.01 Work Schedules.

15.00 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Refer to Personnel Rules.

16.00 HEALTH PLAN

16.01 Employee Health Plan Eligibility

All regular employees assigned to a one-half (1/2) time or more position and the employee's dependents including registered domestic partner, effective January 1, 2005 pursuant to Family Code Section 297.5 shall be entitled to participate in the County-sponsored cafeteria plan. Employees working less than full-time and hired after November 1, 1987 (with no qualifying leave or accrued leave usage), shall receive pro-rated benefits or pro-rated funding of county share health contributions rounding to the nearest one-quarter time: i.e. either fifty percent (50%) for employee working thirty-six (36) hours to forty-five (45) hours per payroll period, seventy-five percent (75%) for employees working forty-six (46) to sixty-four (64) hours per payroll period, or one hundred percent (100%) for employees working sixty-five (65) hours or more per payroll period. This pro-rated amount is in addition to the regular employee share. Eligible employees enrolling in the program within thirty (30) days following their appointment will be covered subject to the provisions of the MOU with the appropriate bargaining unit and the contract limitations with the carrier. Coverage shall commence when the employee is eligible for coverage under CalPERS and the health plan carriers' rules. Employees enrolling after the thirty (30) day enrollment period will be approved only upon evidence of insurability. Regular employees assigned less than (1/2) one-half time and extra-help employees shall not be eligible for participation in the health plan.

16.02 Description

The Butte County Flexible Benefits Plan consisting of the Tax Deferred Medical Premium option, the Dependent Care Reimbursement option and the unreimbursed Health Care Cost option, (hereafter "Cafeteria Plan") is available to all employees in regular-help positions (hereafter "employee"). There will be two (2) participation levels, identified as Employee Option "A" and Employee Option "B" as per Section 16.03. Once the selection is made, it will remain in force until the current calendar year end and when a selection is made during the following year's open enrollment period. The fee for a third party administrator will be paid by the County. The medical premium option will be the default option and remain in effect until and/or unless changed by the employee.

The basic group term life insurance in the amount of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars will continue to be provided at County expense and will not be part of the Cafeteria Plan.

16.03 Participation Levels

Option A - CORE PLAN

Employees who elect Option A to participate in the County sponsored medical plan will receive the County health benefits flex contribution (as specified below) to be utilized to purchase their selected medical plan and cannot be cashed out. In the event that an employee selects a medical plan that results in an excess County contribution, that excess contribution will be deemed a non-health flex contribution that may be taken as taxable income or applied to pre-tax dental, vision or other alternative approved benefits. Should an employee decline County sponsored medical coverage, such employee will receive a cash-in-lieu payment if the employee complies with the requirements outlined in Option B below.

The County will pay to Employee's Flexible Benefit Account the following amounts for employees who election Option A:

- Employee Only \$462.78
- Employee Plus One \$921.30
- Family \$1,207.41

The above amounts includes the PEMHCA minimum which is paid outside of the County's Section 125 plan.

Employees, regardless of medical plan participation status, are eligible to enroll in the County's dental and/or vision programs. Employee contributions for dental and vision will be deducted from employee's regular payroll on a pre-tax basis. Employees that have elected Option A can also elect to participate in optional benefits. If the employee has any surplus Flexible Benefit Account credits after making all elections required to participate in the health insurance, the employee can use that surplus toward the Flexible Benefit Options listed in the Flexible Benefit Options Exhibit. Employees that wish to participate in the optional benefits in the plan, with the exception of the cash back option, but do not have any surplus credits, can elect to have pre-tax payroll deductions in an amount to cover the cost of their elections.

Option B - FLEXIBLE BENEFIT OPTIONS

Employees who decline County sponsored medical coverage and elect Option B must provide the following in order to receive the cash-in-lieu:

- (1) proof that the employee and all individuals for whom the employee intends to claim a personal exemption deduction ("tax family"), have or will have

minimum essential coverage through another source of group health insurance (coverage not obtained in the individual market or through Covered California) for the plan year to which the opt out arrangement applies (“opt out period”); and

- (2) the employee must sign an attestation that the employee and his/her tax family have or will have such minimum essential coverage for the opt out period. An employee must provide the attestation every plan year at open enrollment or within 30 days after the start of the plan year. The opt-out payment cannot be made and the County will not in fact make payment if the County knows that the employee or tax family member doesn't have such alternative coverage, or if the conditions in this paragraph are not otherwise satisfied.

Employees hired on or before December 31, 2013, will receive an employer flex credit monthly contribution of Four Hundred Three Dollars and Thirty-Four Cents (\$403.34) per month for "employees" who elect and satisfy the requirements outlined above for Option B. Employees hired on or after January 1, 2014, will receive an employer flex credit monthly contribution to Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) per month for employees who elect and satisfy the requirements outlined above for Option B.

Effective December 17, 2016, employees hired on or before December 31, 2013, will receive an employer flex credit contribution of one hundred eighty-six dollars and sixteen cents (\$186.16) per pay period for "employees" who elect and satisfy the requirements outlined above for Option B. Employees hired on or after January 1, 2014, will receive an employer flex credit contribution to ninety-two dollars and thirty-one cents (\$92.31) per pay period for employees who elect and satisfy the requirements outlined above for Option B.

Employees may elect a pre-tax deduction (through regular payroll or cash-in-lieu) to purchase any of the Flexible Benefit Options listed in the Flexible Benefits Options Exhibit. Should an employee receive cash-in-lieu that is not utilized for Flexible Benefit Options, the amount will be included as taxable income.

16.04 Administration

- a) No benefits will be paid to employees in Option B until all requirements outlined in the Flexible Benefits – Option B section have been met.
- b) Part-time regular help employees will receive proportional benefits as provided above. All employees assigned to a one-half (1/2) time or more position, and the employees' dependents including registered domestic partners, shall be entitled to participate in the County's Flexible Benefits Plan as set forth in 16.01 above. This section does not affect part-time employees grandfathered into full-time benefit status under Section 16.01 of the MOU.

- c) Any money deposited in the Flexible Benefits Account of an employee must be used during the plan year; otherwise, the remaining balance reverts to the County. Upon separation, the money will be disbursed in conformance with the rules and procedures explained to and authorized by the employee at the time of his/her enrollment.

16.05 Retired Employee Options

Active employees who retire under the provisions of the County's retirement contract with the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) may continue to insure themselves and their insured dependents for the health, dental and vision benefit portion of the health plan by advising the Director of Human Resources and advancing the full health insurance premium permitted by law. The retiree's share of the premium for health benefits must be paid monthly and the premiums for vision and/or dental benefits must be paid quarterly for the employee (and dependents, if applicable).

Employees with ten (10) years or more of cumulative service with Butte County who, upon separation from employment, immediately retire under the provisions of the County's contract with the Public Employees' Retirement System shall be eligible for the health benefit coverage for themselves (employees only) to the age Medicare Supplemental Qualifying Age. Under the following conditions, PERS members subject to this Memorandum of Understanding shall be entitled to twelve (12) months of reimbursable health premiums immediately following retirement.

In addition, members are permitted as an option to the sick leave buy-back plan specified in Section 17.03 of this memorandum one of the following choices:

- 1) to receive one (1) month of reimbursable health only premium (employee only) for each day [8 hours] of sick leave on accrual at the date of retirement; or
- 2) to receive one (1) month of reimbursable health only premium for each two and one-half (2 1/2) days [20 hours] of accrued sick leave in excess of thirty (30) days accrued sick leave [240 hours] to cover both employee and spouse to Medicare Supplemental Qualifying Age; or
- 3) one (1) month of reimbursable health plan benefits (employee only) will be granted for each day (8 hours) of accrued sick leave until the sick leave credit is exhausted or the employee reaches the Medicare Supplemental Qualifying Age and one (1) month of reimbursable health plan benefits for each one and one-half days (12 hours) in excess of thirty (30) days (240 hours) accrued sick leave to cover employee's spouse until the sick leave credit is exhausted or spouse reaches Medicare Supplemental Qualifying Age. Enrollment of employee's spouse will be postponed until a date to be determined, but only if the spouse is eligible for enrollment to the health plan,

effective that date, pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). This election is irrevocable and will revert to employee only coverage if employee's spouse is not eligible for enrollment on the effective date cited above pursuant to HIPAA. The sick leave originally allocated for the coverage of the employee's spouse shall be forfeited if the employee's spouse is not enrolled in the health plan on the effective date cited above. Rights to continuation of health coverage above is in addition to any rights the employee is entitled to under COBRA.

Sick leave conversion at the time of retirement will be calculated at the Peace Officers Research Association of California (PORAC) plan rate, provided that the PORAC plan is one of the two (2) least expensive plans. Should the PORAC plan be more expensive than two or more other available plans, employees will be reimbursed at the level of the lowest cost plan. In no situation will an employee be reimbursed at a plan that has an employee only premium of \$600/month or less or an individual deductible of \$2,000 or greater. At the request of either party during the term of this Agreement, the parties agree to meet and confer in good faith concerning the County's potential use of an alternative administrator/provider in lieu of PERS Health. While nothing in this section shall be read to limit or restrict any rights, duties, or obligations of the parties relative to the administrator/provider, the County recognizes the DSA's current expressed desire to remain with PERS Health, particularly given the availability of the PORAC medical plan.

Employees hired after June 30, 2010 are not eligible for the conversion of sick leave to health insurance or one year's paid health coverage as outlined in Section 16.05.

After a retired member's death, the retiree's spouse may use remaining sick leave, subject to the provisions of this section, to purchase medical benefits if the retiree elected survivor benefits for the retiree's PERS retirement pension and any other applicable requirements. Under this provision, the spouse may purchase one month of medical benefits for one and one-half days of accrued sick leave up to age Medicare Supplemental Qualifying Age. Unused sick leave hours remaining upon a retiree's death, upon a retiree achieving age Medicare Supplemental Qualifying Age or upon a spouse achieving age Medicare Supplemental Qualifying Age may not be cashed-out or converted to another benefit.

16.06 Benefit Plan Review Committee. The County-wide Benefit Plan Review Committee shall consist of one employee representative and one alternate to be appointed by each bargaining unit and one representative to be appointed by the non-represented management employees. The Director of Human Resources shall also serve as a committee member. Upon the Committee's request, the County's benefits consultant, representatives from other health plans and the employee organizations will also attend meetings. No other individuals shall attend the Committee's meetings.

The Committee shall obtain necessary data and information on benefit issues. The Committee shall be advisory to the Board of Supervisors and the recognized labor organizations. The County and Association shall continue to explore possible expansion of flexible benefit programs through the Benefit Plan Review Committee. Decisions as to health insurance providers, County insurance contributions, etc., shall be determined through the meet and confer process between the County and the individual bargaining units.

During the term of this MOU, parties agree to meet and confer over changes to this section to develop a uniform definition of this committee that is consistent with all labor units. However, no changes shall be implemented without the consent of a majority of the represented bargaining units.

17.00 RETIREMENT

17.01 Retirement Plan. Participation in the retirement plan shall be consistent with the requirements of the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 as it is currently enacted and as it is amended in the future, and its implementing regulations, referred to hereinafter collectively as "PEPRA". To the extent PEPRA conflicts with any provision of this Resolution, PEPRA will govern.

a. "New Members" - For purposes of this section "New Member" is defined by PEPRA to be any of the following (statutory reference is to the California Government Code):

(1) An individual who becomes a member of any public retirement system for the first time on or after January 1, 2013, and who was not a member of any other public retirement system prior to that date.

(2) An individual who becomes a member of a public retirement system for the first time on or after January 1, 2013, and who was a member of another public retirement system prior to that date, but who was not subject to reciprocity under subdivision (c) of Section 7522.02.

(3) An individual who was an active member in a retirement system and who, after a break in service of more than six months, returned to active membership in that system with a new employer. For purposes of this subdivision, a change in employment between state entities or from one school employer to another shall not be considered as service with a new employer.

DSA-General Unit employees who are "New Members", as defined above, are eligible to participate in the County retirement program as contracted through the California Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"). The retirement program is integrated with Social Security and the retirement benefit is based on the highest average annual compensation over a three-year period and the 2.7% @ 57 formula.

b. "Classic Members": For purposes of this section "Classic Member" is defined as a member who does not meet the definition of a "New Member" as defined by PEPR. DSA-General Unit employees who are "Classic Members", as defined above, are eligible to participate in the County retirement program as contracted through the California Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"). The retirement program is integrated with Social Security and the retirement benefit is based on the highest single year of salary and on the 3% @ 50 formula.

17.02 Retirement Contribution

"Classic Members": Effective the pay period including January 1, 2013, DSA-General Unit members will pay on a pre-tax basis (to the extent allowed by law), nine percent (9%) of pensionable compensation for the employee share of his/her PERS pension.

- Effective the pay period following ratification of this Agreement or as soon thereafter as administratively feasible, Classic Members will contribute on a pre-tax basis (to the extent allowed by law), an additional one percent (1%) of pensionable compensation towards the employer's share of PERS pension (total employee contribution of 10%). Upon implementation, the County will work with CalPERS to process a PERS Contract Amendment, which would credit this additional contribution towards the employee's account.
- Effective December 2, 2017 or as soon thereafter as administratively feasible, Classic Members will contribute on a pre-tax basis (to the extent allowed by law), an additional one percent (1%) of pensionable compensation towards the employer's share of PERS pension (total employee contribution of 11%). Upon implementation, the County will work with CalPERS to process a PERS Contract Amendment, which would credit this contribution towards the employee's account.
- Effective the pay period including December 1, 2018 or as soon thereafter as administratively feasible, Classic Members will contribute on a pre-tax basis (to the extent allowed by law), an additional one percent (1%) of pensionable compensation for towards the employer's share of PERS pension (total employee contribution of 12%). Upon implementation, the County will work with CalPERS to process a PERS Contract Amendment, which would credit this contribution towards the employee's account.
- The parties mutually acknowledge that the additional employee contributions provided herein shall satisfy the provisions of Government Code section 20516.5.

"New Members": Effective the pay period including January 1, 2013, the DSA-General Unit members shall pay on a pre-tax basis (to the extent allowed by law), an amount that is equal to one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) the normal cost of his/hers PERS pension or the current contribution rate of similarly situated employees, whichever is greater.

- Effective the pay period following ratification of this Agreement or as soon thereafter as administratively feasible, New Members will contribute

on a pre-tax basis (to the extent allowed by law), an additional one percent (1%) of pensionable compensation towards the employer's share of PERS pension. Upon implementation, the County will work with CalPERS to process a PERS Contract Amendment, which would credit this contribution towards the employee's account.

- Effective December 2, 2017 or as soon thereafter as administratively feasible, New Members will contribute on a pre-tax basis (to the extent allowed by law), an additional one percent (1%) of pensionable compensation towards the employer's share of PERS pension. Upon implementation, the County will work with CalPERS to process a PERS Contract Amendment, which would credit this contribution towards the employee's account.
- Effective December 1, 2018 or as soon thereafter as administratively feasible, New Members will contribute on a pre-tax basis (to the extent allowed by law), an additional one percent (1%) of pensionable compensation towards the employer's share of PERS pension. Upon implementation, the County will work with CalPERS to process a PERS Contract Amendment, which would credit this contribution towards the employee's account.

Parties agree to meet and confer over the ability to transition these additional contributions to the employee's share in 2018 (or as soon as permissible by law).

17.03 Retirement Credit for Sick Leave.

An employee may, upon retirement from the County under PERS, use any sick leave accumulation in accordance with **one of the following** options:

1. Sick leave accumulation reported to PERS for service credit.
2. Sick leave conversion to purchase continued health, dental and vision coverage as outlined in Section 16.05. Any remaining sick leave after conversion to be reported to PERS as service credit.
3. An employee who has on accrual more than two hundred and forty (240) hours of sick leave may be compensated for that portion over two hundred and forty (240) hours at one-half (1/2) the normal rate of pay for the employee up to a maximum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000).

Employees must make their election when they retire and may not later change their election. Employees may not cash-out sick leave at retirement in combination with any of these three options.

18.00 REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

18.01 Mileage Reimbursement.

Refer to Travel Policy contained in the appendix of the Personnel Rules.

18.02 Professional Organizations Fee Reimbursement. Subject to the approval of the Department Head, an employee may be reimbursed up to \$30.00 for each professional fee as outlined below. Claims for fee reimbursement shall be submitted to the department pursuant to County policy. The following is a list of approved associations:

Organization

Calif. Homicide Invest. Assn.
Calif. DA Invest. Assn.
Calif. Welf. Fraud Inv. Assn.
Calif. Check Invest. Assn.
Calif. Check Enforcement Assn.
Calif. Coroners Assn.
Calif. Narcotics Assn.
Calif. Internal Affairs Assn.
Calif. Canine Officers Assn.
Calif. Law Enforcement Background Investigation Assn.
Calif. Sexual Assault Investigators Association
Calif. Warrant Officers Assn.
Calif. Court Security Officers Assn.
Calif. Juvenile Officers Assn.
Calif. DARE Officers Assn.
International Assn. of Bomb Technicians
Airborne Law Enforcement Assn.
Law Enforcement Training Officers Assn.
Calif. Armed Rotary Assn.
Calif. Second-Hand Dealers Assn.
Calif. Cattle Theft Assn.
Calif. Corrections Assn.
Calif. Law Enf. Trng. Mgmt. Assn.
No. Calif. Narcotics Assn.
Natl. Assn. of Search & Rescue

18.03 Expense Reimbursement. Expense reimbursements shall be made pursuant to the County's Travel Policy contained in the Personnel Rules.

18.04 Meal Reimbursements. Employees shall receive meal reimbursements in accordance with the County's Travel Policy contained in the County of Butte Personnel Rules.

18.05 Tuition Reimbursement. Upon written request of the employee and advance written approval of the Department Head, an employee enrolled in classes or courses accredited by the U.S. Department of Education which are directly related to the employee's position shall be entitled to reimbursement of one half (1/2) of the cost of required instructional materials and/or tuition, upon proof of successful completion of the class or course, up to a maximum of \$500 per fiscal year. This

program is subject to available funds and not to be used in lieu of other County programs.

19.00 OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

19.01 Authorization. No regular full-time employee of the County shall engage in any occupation or outside activity which is incompatible with County employment. Any employee who proposes to engage in an occupation or outside employment for compensation, shall inform the appointing authority in advance of the nature of such employment. The appointing authority shall, after making a determination whether or not such employment is in conflict with County employment, approve or disapprove the employee's request for outside employment. A copy of the approval or disapproval shall be forwarded to the Director of Human Resources to be included in the employee's personnel file. Regular employees of any County department may be employed as extra-help employees in the same or any other County department, with the approval of all involved department heads and the Director of Human Resources. Hours worked as extra help shall not count for retirement purposes, seniority purposes or overtime computation purposes.

19.02 Restricted Activities. Law enforcement employees shall not engage in any illegal activities or any outside employment or business involving the sale of or distribution of alcoholic beverages, any investigative work for an attorney, insurance companies, bail bond agencies or individuals involved in criminal or civil actions. Employees failing to comply with this section may be subject to disciplinary action.

20.00 SENIORITY AND LAYOFF PROVISIONS.

Refer to Personnel Rules.

21.00 DISCIPLINARY ACTION

21.01 Right to Representation. The County shall advise the employee of their right to be represented by the Association for the following:

- a. At any meeting in which disciplinary action is to be imposed or might reasonably be expected to be imposed.
- b. At step one and beyond of the grievance procedure. If the employee elects to have representation present, and none is immediately available, the meeting will be postponed for up to twenty-four (24) hours, not including Saturdays, Sundays or holidays, in order for the employee to obtain representation. Nothing herein shall be construed to preclude the department and employee, after due consideration of the facts and circumstances of the department's allegations, from abandoning or modifying the proposed disciplinary action.

- 21.02 Notice to the Union.** Upon receiving notification of disciplinary action, the Director of Human Resources shall notify the Association of the disciplinary action. Failure to notify the Association shall not affect the taking of such action.
- 21.03 Appeal of Disciplinary Action.** An employee or the Association may appeal the taking action against an employee pursuant to the steps of the Grievance procedure, commencing at the step above the level at which the disciplinary action was taken or imposed.
- 21.04 Definition of Discipline.** Disciplinary action means dismissal (except for probationary release or rejection, including promotional probationary release), demotion (except for demotion due to layoff or reduction in force), reduction in salary, suspension without pay and written reprimand. Disciplinary action may be taken by the department head or designee for just and reasonable cause as set forth in the County Personnel Rules.
- 21.05 Oral and Written Reprimand and Evaluation.** Oral and written reprimands and evaluations shall not be subject to an appeal or grievance. Employees shall have the right to submit, within thirty (30) days after receipt, a reasonable amount of response and rebuttal material for inclusion in the employee's personnel file.
- 21.06 Pre-Disciplinary Notice.** An appointing authority or designee proposing disciplinary action against an employee of demotion, discharge, or a suspension of five (5) days or more , shall first serve the employee with written notice of the proposed disciplinary action. The written notice shall include the right to respond to the appointing authority. The notice shall be served at least five (5) days prior to the effective date of the proposed disciplinary action. Service may be done personally or by certified mail. An appointing authority or a designated representative taking disciplinary action against an employee may, when it is necessary for the operation of the department, or to conduct an investigation into the allegation, assign the employee to less critical duties during the five (5) day review period. When extraordinary circumstances exist that require the immediate removal of the employee from the premises, an appointing authority or a designated representative may place the employee on paid suspension subject to call not to exceed five (5) days. If it is required to provide for full investigation of the allegations made against the employee and it is necessary for the operation of the department, the five (5) day period for reassignment or paid leave may be extended incrementally with prior approval of the Director of Human Resources.

Notice shall clearly specify the action taken, the reasons for the action including the particular facts and specific incident(s) involved and the effective date of the action. If the proposed disciplinary action is a demotion, the notice shall include a statement as to the duties to be performed and the salary for the position. The notice shall also advise the employee that a copy of the material(s) upon which the action is taken is either attached or available for review upon request during normal business hours. The notice also shall advise the employee of their right to be represented and to respond in the pre-disciplinary hearing as described below

prior to the effective date of the action, and the right to appeal or grieve as the case may be.

Copies of all notices and reply shall be forwarded to the Director-Human Resources.

21.07 Pre-Disciplinary Hearing. Prior to the effective date of the proposed disciplinary action, an employee or Association may request the department head or designee to hold a pre-disciplinary hearing for purposes of allowing the employee to respond to the allegation. Such hearing shall be promptly scheduled and held. The employee may be represented at the hearing.

22.00 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

22.01 Intent. An employee (or employees) shall have the right to present a grievance pursuant to this procedure. The employee (or employees) may be represented by an individual of their choice at step one and beyond of this procedure; provided however, that employees may not be represented by officers or staff who are employees of other employee organizations which represent other County bargaining units. Employees who present a grievance shall not suffer reprisal or other punitive action by the County or the Union because of the exercise of the right to present or appeal a grievance. An employee (or employees) who have a grievance shall be given reasonable time off without loss of pay or benefits to present the grievance to County management pursuant to this procedure.

22.02 Definition and Scope of Grievance.

- a. A Grievance may be filed by an employee, a group of employees or, under circumstances described in Section 22.06 of this section, by the Association/Union of a management interpretation or application of this Memorandum of Understanding, the County Personnel Ordinance or the Personnel Rules.
- b. Specifically excluded from the grievance procedure are subjects involving the amendment of state or federal law; Board of Supervisor's resolution, ordinance or minute order; disciplinary actions except as provided for in Section 21.00; performance evaluations; denial of merit increases; discriminatory acts; or other matters which have other means of appeal.

22.03 Grievance Procedure Steps. The grievance procedure shall consist of the following steps, each of which must be completed prior to any request for further consideration of the matter. However, the County and Association/Union may agree to start the grievance procedure at any step on issues involving Association/Union rights. Further, County management is required at all formal levels of the grievance procedure to consult with the Director of Human Resources, or their designee, concerning the relationship of the grievance to Federal, State, or County law, resolution or minute order or Memorandum of Understanding to the employee's wages, hours or conditions of employment. The

Director of Human Resources shall also provide advice as to the effect of any proposed grievance settlement on other County departments. No grievance resolution shall be final until this consultation step has been completed. Time limits set forth herein are not waived pending consultation with the Director of Human Resources or their designee.

Notice that County intends to enforce this portion of the contract: Prior to filing the formal grievance pursuant to Step 1 below, the employee is required to informally discuss the matter with their supervisor to determine if the issue may be resolved. If the supervisor, however, is not available to meet with the employee or does not respond within five (5) days, the employee may formally file the grievance in accordance with Step 1 or 2 below, whichever is appropriate.

Step (1) Second-level Management Representative.

(This step is optional and may be omitted from the procedure in a department or a division thereof by the appointing authority. The County shall provide the Association/Union with a written list of those departments which will utilize this step.) If the issue is not settled by informal discussion, it may be formally submitted to the second level management representative designated by the appointing authority. The grievance shall be submitted within fifteen (15) days of the occurrence or the employee's knowledge of the occurrence which gives rise to the grievance. It shall be submitted formally in writing stating the nature of the grievance and the suggested solution. Within seven (7) days after receiving the written grievance, the second-level management representative shall meet with the employee. Within seven (7) days thereafter a written decision shall be delivered to the employee.

Step (2) Appointing Authority.

If the grievance is not settled under the Step 1 option, it may be formally submitted to the appointing authority. The grievance shall be submitted within seven (7) days after receipt of the written decision from Step 1. Within seven (7) days after receipt of the written grievance, the appointing authority or designated representative shall meet with the employee. Within seven (7) days thereafter, a written decision shall be delivered to the employee.

Step (3) Mediation

If the grievance is not resolved after Step 2, as an alternative to proceeding directly to Step 4, Arbitration, the grievance may be submitted to mediation. A request for mediation may be presented in writing to the Human Resource Director within seven (7) calendar days from the date a decision was rendered at Step 2. As soon as practicable thereafter, or as otherwise agreed to by the parties, a mediator shall hear the grievance. A request for mediation will automatically suspend the normal processing of a grievance until the mediation process is completed. The mediation process shall be optional, and any opinion expressed by the mediator shall be informal and shall be considered advisory.

Step (4) Arbitration.

If the parties are unable to reach a mutually satisfactory resolution of the grievance as a result of discussion at Steps 1 and 2, or if there is a dispute as to whether or not the grievance meets the definition of a grievance under Section 22.02 hereof, the issue shall be submitted to an impartial arbitrator who shall be designated by mutual agreement of grievant and his/her representative and the Director of Human Resources. To the extent possible, the parties shall utilize a standing arbitrator. This step is available only to grievances being brought forward by the Association/Union. For all other grievances, Step 2 shall be the final step.

1. Should the grievant and his/her representative and the Director of Human Resources fail to reach agreement on selection of the arbitrator within fifteen (15) days, they shall jointly request a list of seven (7) qualified arbitrators from the California State Mediation and Conciliation Service. This request shall be submitted within five (5) days of the failure to reach mutual agreement on selection of an arbitrator. If mutual selection cannot be made from the list received within five (5) days, the parties shall select the arbitrator by alternately striking names until only one name remains; that person shall serve as the arbitrator. The party which strikes the first name from the list of arbitrators shall be determined by a toss of a coin. The parties shall immediately request available dates from the selected arbitrator.

If an arbitrator has no available dates within the sixty (60) day period following a request, the parties shall immediately request another list from the Mediation and Conciliation Service.

2. The grievant and his/her representative shall invoke the arbitration step within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of a decision at Step 2 of this procedure by submitting a written request for arbitration to the Director of Human Resources.
3. The County and Association/Union shall share the arbitration cost on a 50/50 basis. Each party, however, shall bear the cost of its presentation including preparation and post-hearing briefs, if any, provided that witnesses necessary to the presentation of the employee's case shall be granted necessary time off without loss of pay or benefits to appear at the arbitration hearing.
4. Decisions of arbitrators on matters properly before them shall be final and binding on the parties hereto to the extent permitted by law.
5. No arbitrator shall entertain, hear, decide, or make recommendations on any dispute unless such dispute involves a position in the Unit represented by the Association/Union and unless such dispute falls within the

definition of a grievance as set forth in Section 22.02 and is consistent with all provisions herein. Any dispute as to arbitrability shall be decided prior to any hearing on the merits unless the arbitrator rules that the issues are not separable. Whenever possible, a bench arbitrability decision shall be issued immediately.

6. Proposals to add to or change the Memorandum of Understanding or written agreements or addenda supplementary thereto shall not be arbitrated and no proposal to modify, amend or terminate this Memorandum of Understanding, nor any matter or subject arising out of or in connections with such proposal, may be referred to arbitration under this section.
7. No arbitrator shall have the power to amend or modify this Memorandum of Understanding or a law, ordinance, resolution, regulation or rule which is within the authority of the Board of Supervisors or other legislative body or to establish any new terms or conditions of employment. The arbitrator's decision shall be limited only to the applications and interpretation of the existing rule in the matter referred for consideration.
8. Failure to pursue arbitration pursuant to the time lines outlined in this section shall constitute an abandonment of the grievance.
9. The County and Union shall exchange witness lists seven (7) calendar days prior to Arbitration Hearings. Should it become necessary to supplement the list(s), the other party will be notified as soon as possible.

22.04 Consistent Awards. No settlement or award shall be made under the grievance procedure which is inconsistent with the terms and conditions of this Memorandum of Understanding or any other County law, ordinance, resolution, regulation or rule, that is not superseded by the MOU. The Director of Human Resources shall have the authority to settle grievances of up to \$10,000 in accordance with Board Resolution No. 01-013.

22.05 Administration of the Grievance Procedure

1. As used herein, a "formally submitted grievance" shall include a concise description of the problem; the section or sections of the memorandum, law, ordinance, resolution, regulation or rule alleged to have been violated; the proposed remedy; the date of the grievance; the date the grievance was filed; and the signature(s) of the person or persons filing the grievance.
2. If an employee does not present the grievance, or does not appeal the decision rendered regarding the grievance within the time limits, the grievance shall be considered resolved.

3. If a County representative does not render a decision to the employee within the time limits, the employee may, within seven (7) days thereafter, appeal to the next step in the procedure.
4. If in the judgment of a management representative, the management representative does not have the authority to resolve the grievance, the grievance may be referred to the next step of the procedure.
5. By agreement in writing, the parties may extend any and all of the time limits of the grievance procedure.
6. A copy of all formal grievance decisions shall be forwarded to the grievant, the Director of Human Resources and the Association/Union.
7. After consultation with the Association/Union, the Director of Human Resources may temporarily suspend or consolidate grievance processing on a section-wide basis in an emergency situation. Emergencies shall be defined as natural or civil disaster or overburdening of the grievance procedure by submission of multiple grievances filed as a job action tactic. The Association/Union may appeal the suspension or consolidation action of the Director of Human Resources at the arbitration step of the grievance procedure. In the event of such appeal, the County and the Association/Union agree to jointly request a list of arbitrators from the State Mediation and Conciliation Service within two (2) working days of the Director of Human Resource's action and to select an arbitrator within five (5) calendar days of receipt of the list. The party which loses the appeal of the Director of Human Resource's action under this section shall pay the full cost of the arbitrator.

22.06 Association/Union's Standing to Grieve. The Association/Union shall have standing to grieve beginning at the first formal step as follows:

- a. On all matters relating to Association/Union rights or prerogatives or on matters relating to the Association/Union's business relationship with the County.
- b. On behalf of former County employees regarding their termination rights and benefits.
- c. Where the Association/Union determines that there is a substantial non-compliance with an otherwise grievable matter where no specific employee is directly affected by an interpretation or application of the County affecting otherwise grievable terms and conditions of employment.
- d. Where a grievance filed by an employee representing themselves or having a representative other than the Association/Union is resolved in a

manner the Association/Union believes to be inconsistent with the Memorandum of Understanding.

- e. Where the Union/Association believes that an individual employee is being denied rights under the agreement but the individual declines to file a grievance. In this case, the individual must be named.

23.00 SAFETY

23.01 Safe Working Conditions. When an employee has reason to believe a work assignment is in an unsafe work area or involves unsafe equipment, the employee shall report the problem to the immediate supervisor and may refuse to work in the area or use the equipment until it has been inspected by the supervisor. Should the supervisor, after such inspection, order the employee to work, the employee shall do so unless the employee believes, within reason, the work environment to be unsafe. In such instances, the employee may request the department head or assistant department head to inspect the work area. The employee will be assigned other work until the inspection is made. The decision of the department head is final. Nothing herein shall be deemed to waive the employee's rights under CAL-OSHA.

23.02 Departmental Safety Plan The County and Association agree that they will both adhere to the settlement agreement dated September 14, 1983 in Butte County Superior Court Case number 78476.

23.03 Firearms. The Association hereby indicates its acceptance of the applicable firearm policy.

24.00 EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Employee Assistance Program shall be maintained in effect for the term of this agreement. Participation in the program is voluntary.

25.00 VEHICLE STANDARDS

The Association shall designate a representative to meet with management to make recommendations on the selection, equipping and replacement of vehicles.

26.00 CATASTROPHIC LEAVE

Refer to Catastrophic Leave Plan contained in the appendix of the Personnel Rules.

27.00 DISABILITY INSURANCE

Each regular employee in the unit shall be required to participate in the Disability Insurance Plan ("the Plan"). Premiums will be paid totally by the employees through payroll deduction. Mandatory participation means that the employee is required to make

payroll contributions to the Plan but application to receive disability benefits under the Plan is purely discretionary on the part of the employee.

The County will pay the actual cost of a long term disability insurance program for unit employees, not to exceed Twenty-two Dollars (\$22.00) per employee per month. The County's sole obligation shall be to provide the monthly premium and reconcile the monthly bill. The Association is responsible for selection of and enrollment of members in the insurance program and shall fully indemnify, hold harmless and defend the County against any claims arising from the program.

28.00 UNIFORM POLICY

For the term of this agreement, the County will continue to provide uniforms pursuant to Departmental order 3010.

The County shall report to PERS monthly the following amounts for the value of County provided uniforms:

- Sheriff Safety \$50.00/mo.

This provision shall apply only to Classic Members as defined by the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act (PEPRA).

Additionally, effective the first full pay period after adoption of this MOU, all members of this unit shall receive boot allowance of \$150 annually, paid in equal monthly payments. Employees who have not been actively working for 90 consecutive days will have their benefit discontinued. Upon return to work, this benefit will be reinstated prospectively the first full pay period following the employee's return to work.

29.00 CLASSIFICATION/COMPENSATION STUDY

The County and Association agree that the following agencies will be utilized for compensation comparison purposes:

City of Chico, City of Oroville, City of Yuba City, Town of Paradise, El Dorado County, Placer County, Shasta County, Solano County, Sutter County, Yolo County and Yuba County.

30.00 PAST PRACTICES

Past practices are only enforceable if they were used by the parties on or after January 1, 2010. Past practices that have not been used since January 1, 2010 are void and unenforceable.

31.00 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

The County shall use the Butte County Sheriff's Office Deputy Sheriff Evaluation attached to the Agreement as Exhibit A to evaluate the performance of Deputy Sheriff's.

This form shall continue to be used until or unless determined by the Sheriff to be unnecessary.

32.00 TRAVEL POLICY

Refer to the Travel Policy that is contained in the appendix of the Personnel Rules.

33.00 FULL AGREEMENT

It is understood this agreement represents the complete and final understanding on all negotiable issues between the County and the Association. This agreement supersedes all previous Memoranda of Understanding or Memoranda of Agreement between the County and the Association, except as specifically referred to in this agreement. All ordinances, resolutions or rules not specifically referred to in this agreement shall not be superseded, modified or repealed by implication or otherwise by the provisions hereof. The parties for the term of this agreement, voluntarily and unqualifiedly agree to waive the obligation to negotiate with respect to any practice, subject or matter which may not have been within the knowledge of the parties at the time this agreement was negotiated and signed. In the event any new practice, subject or matter arises during the term of this agreement and any action is proposed by the County, the Association shall be afforded notice and shall have a right to meet and confer upon their request. In the absence of agreement on such proposed actions, the County reserves the right to take the necessary action by management direction. During the term of this agreement, at the request of the DSA, the County shall meet and confer regarding any subsequent agreement between the County and other Bargaining Units which the DSA believes contains better wages and/or health benefits (collectively) than this agreement. This provision shall sunset at the expiration of this agreement.

34.00 ENACTMENT

This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective when ratified by the Association's membership and the Butte County Board of Supervisors. Upon such adoption, the provisions of this memorandum shall supersede and control over conflicting or inconsistent County ordinances, resolutions or rules.

35.00 SAVINGS CLAUSE

If any provision of this memorandum shall be held invalid by operation of law or by a court of competent jurisdiction, or if compliance with or enforcement of any provision shall be restrained by any tribunal, the remainder of the Memorandum of Understanding shall not be affected thereby, and the parties shall enter into negotiations for the sole purpose of arriving at a mutually satisfactory replacement for such provision or provisions.

36.00 PEACEFUL PERFORMANCE

The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding recognize and acknowledge that the services performed by County employees covered by this agreement are essential to the

public health, safety and general welfare of the residents of the County of Butte. The Association agrees that under no circumstances will the Association recommend, encourage, cause or permit its members to initiate, participate in, nor will any member of the bargaining unit take part in any concerted work stoppage, slowdown, or boycott picketing (herein collectively referred to as a work stoppage), in any office or department of the County, nor to curtail any work or restrict any production, or interfere with any operation of the County. In the event of any work stoppage during the term of this Memorandum of Understanding, whether by the Association or by any member of the bargaining unit, the Association by its officers, shall immediately declare in writing and publicize that such work stoppage is illegal and unauthorized and further direct its members in writing to cease said conduct and resume work. Copies of such written notice shall be served upon the County. If in the event of any work stoppage the Association promptly and in good faith performs the obligations of this paragraph, and providing that the Association has not otherwise authorized, permitted or encouraged such work stoppage, the Association shall not be liable for damages caused by the violation of this provision; however, the County shall have the right to discipline, to include discharge, any employee who instigates, participates in, or gives leadership to, any work stoppage activity, herein prohibited and the County shall also have the right to seek full legal redress including damages against the employee. The County shall engage in no lockout of employees covered by this memorandum for the term of this Memorandum of Understanding.

37.00 TERMS OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum shall become effective upon Board adoption in full and effective up to November 30, 2019. The County and Association shall begin the meet and confer process by June 30, 2019 and conclude negotiations in a reasonable time.

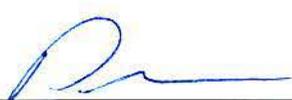
Signed and entered into this 6th day of December, 2016.

COUNTY OF BUTTE

BUTTE COUNTY DEPUTY
SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION



Jack Hughes
Chief Negotiator, Butte County



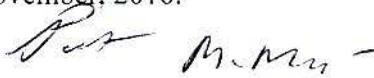
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ASSOCIATION RATIFICATION

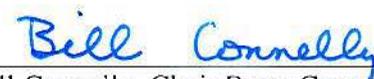
Ratified by the Butte County Deputy Sheriff's Association on this 8th day of
November, 2016.



President, Butte County Deputy
Sheriff's Association

COUNTY RATIFICATION

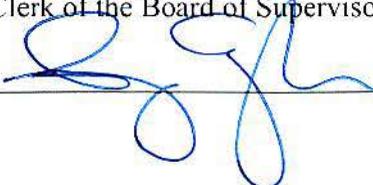
Ratified by the Butte County Board of Supervisors this 6th day of
December, 2016.



Bill Connelly, Chair Butte County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Paul Hahn
Chief Administrative Officer
and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: 

ATTACHMENT A

Salary Schedule

**Section 28G
Law Enforcement - General Unit**

(Effective 12/03/2016-5%)

Class Code	Classification Title	Range	Hourly Rates							Bi-Weekly Rates						
			Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7
6816	Deputy Sheriff	41	\$25.02	\$26.27	\$27.58	\$28.96	\$30.41	\$31.93	\$33.53	\$2,001.60	\$2,101.60	\$2,206.40	\$2,316.80	\$2,432.80	\$2,554.40	\$2,682.40
7017	Investigator I	43	\$26.29	\$27.60	\$28.96	\$30.43	\$31.95	\$33.55	\$35.23	\$2,103.20	\$2,208.00	\$2,318.40	\$2,434.40	\$2,556.00	\$2,684.00	\$2,818.40
7016	Investigator II	49	\$30.49	\$32.01	\$33.61	\$35.29	\$37.05	\$38.90	\$40.85	\$2,439.20	\$2,560.80	\$2,688.80	\$2,823.20	\$2,964.00	\$3,112.00	\$3,268.00
6813	Sheriff's Sergeant	49	\$30.49	\$32.01	\$33.61	\$35.29	\$37.05	\$38.90	\$40.85	\$2,439.20	\$2,560.80	\$2,688.80	\$2,823.20	\$2,964.00	\$3,112.00	\$3,268.00

(Effective 12/02/2017-3%)

Class Code	Classification Title	Range	Hourly Rates							Bi-Weekly Rates						
			Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7
6816	Deputy Sheriff	41	\$25.77	\$27.06	\$28.41	\$29.83	\$31.32	\$32.89	\$34.53	\$2,061.60	\$2,164.80	\$2,272.80	\$2,386.40	\$2,505.60	\$2,631.20	\$2,762.40
7017	Investigator I	43	\$27.07	\$28.42	\$29.84	\$31.33	\$32.90	\$34.55	\$36.28	\$2,165.60	\$2,273.60	\$2,387.20	\$2,506.40	\$2,632.00	\$2,764.00	\$2,902.40
7016	Investigator II	49	\$31.40	\$32.87	\$34.42	\$36.05	\$37.77	\$40.08	\$42.08	\$2,512.00	\$2,637.60	\$2,769.60	\$2,908.00	\$3,053.60	\$3,206.40	\$3,366.40
6813	Sheriff's Sergeant	49	\$31.40	\$32.87	\$34.42	\$36.05	\$37.77	\$40.08	\$42.08	\$2,512.00	\$2,637.60	\$2,769.60	\$2,908.00	\$3,053.60	\$3,206.40	\$3,366.40

(Effective 12/01/2018-4%)

Class Code	Classification Title	Range	Hourly Rates							Bi-Weekly Rates						
			Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	Step 7
6816	Deputy Sheriff	41	\$26.80	\$28.14	\$29.55	\$31.03	\$32.58	\$34.21	\$35.92	\$2,144.00	\$2,251.20	\$2,364.00	\$2,482.40	\$2,606.40	\$2,736.80	\$2,873.60
7017	Investigator I	43	\$28.16	\$29.57	\$31.05	\$32.60	\$34.23	\$35.94	\$37.74	\$2,252.80	\$2,365.60	\$2,484.00	\$2,608.00	\$2,736.40	\$2,875.20	\$3,019.20
7016	Investigator II	49	\$32.66	\$34.29	\$36.00	\$37.80	\$39.69	\$41.67	\$43.75	\$2,612.80	\$2,743.20	\$2,880.00	\$3,024.00	\$3,175.20	\$3,333.60	\$3,500.00
6813	Sheriff's Sergeant	49	\$32.66	\$34.29	\$36.00	\$37.80	\$39.69	\$41.67	\$43.75	\$2,612.80	\$2,743.20	\$2,880.00	\$3,024.00	\$3,175.20	\$3,333.60	\$3,500.00

ATTACHMENT B-1

Release Time Bank Procedure

Deputy Sheriff's Association Release Time Bank Procedure

- Employee seeking to use release bank donations will obtain release time form from department personnel/ payroll representative well in advance of the anticipated use date. The employee will indicate which leave balance will be used for affected time with the realization that reimbursement of leave is dependent on the available balance in the Association release time bank.
- Once completed employee will submit form to department in advance of the use date for approval and certification of cumulative hours used in the calendar year. The department personnel/payroll representative will monitor leave bank usage for authorized bargaining unit members to assure the maximum time limits are not exceeded.
- Once Department approval is attained in advance of the use date, form will be forwarded to Human Resources. Human Resources will certify employee's eligibility to use time bank donations.
- Once Human Resources certification is obtained, in advance of the use date, form will be forwarded to the Human Resources Department, payroll section, where the transfer of leave credit will be made from the release time bank to the employee's leave balance.
- Department payroll representative will charge employee's chosen leave balance per form.

***If there are not sufficient leave credits available the form will be returned to the employee's department.

ATTACHMENT B-2

Release Time Bank Form

County of Butte
Deputy Sheriff's Association Release Time Bank

In accordance with MOU section 4.06 I certify that I am an Association officer or bargaining unit member and as such I am eligible to draw from the Association Release Time Bank for the following purpose:

- | | |
|--|-----------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Preparation | Date for time off: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Association meetings | Duration of time off: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. PORAC related meetings | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. To assist a member at the formal steps of the disciplinary and/or grievance procedure. | |

I understand that I will use my own leave accruals and be **reimbursed** through the leave bank.

I choose to use the following leave:

- a. Comp time
- b. Vacation
- c. Holiday

I further understand that this **reimbursement** of hours is limited to a maximum of 40 hours per year per officer/bargaining team member (for purposes a, b, c) and that it is also limited by the amount of donations in the leave pool.

I understand requests to utilize time bank donations must be made reasonably in advance of use and approval is subject to the operational necessity of the department. I further understand that the County is not required to grant time bank usage if to do so would result in overtime.

Print full name _____ Employee No. _____
 Employee Signature _____ Date _____
 Department _____

For Department Use

Department Approval
 Signed _____ Date _____
 Cumulative hours utilized in current calendar year _____

For Human Resources Department Use

I certify that the applicant is an Association officer or bargaining unit team member and as such is eligible for hours from the Association release time bank:

Signed _____ Date _____

For HR Office Use

All conditions for utilization of the Association release time bank have been met and _____ hours were transferred on (date) _____

Signed _____ Date _____

EXHIBIT A

Butte County Sheriff's Office Deputy Sheriff Evaluation

EXHIBIT B

FLEXIBLE BENEFITS
OPTIONS

Butte County Flexible Benefits Options

Option A

Core Plan

1. Medical Plan

Flexible Benefit Options

Any portion of the County contribution that exceeds the amount for the Core Plan chosen shall be considered a non-health flexible contribution and any excess amount may be taken as taxable income or utilized in the following pre-tax options:

1. Dental
2. Vision
3. Dependent Care
4. Health Care (unreimbursed medical expenses)

Option B

Flexible Benefit Options

1. Taxable cash back of up to \$200/month (\$403.34/month for those hired prior to January 1, 2014). Effective December 17, 2016, \$92.31/pay period (\$186.16/pay period for those hired before January 1, 2014)
2. Pre-Tax benefit options:
 - a. Dental
 - b. Vision
 - c. Dependent Care
 - d. Health Care (unreimbursed medical expenses)