

Certification Regarding the Continued Use of the Federal Violent Offender Incarceration and Truth-in-Sentencing (VOI/TIS) Incentive Grant Program Grant Funds (May 2020)

On behalf of the government entity named below, I certify to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) that the following are true and correct:

- (1) The county will retain title of the South Lake Tahoe Juvenile Detention Facility and reinvest DOJ's current interest in the facility in the construction of a new juvenile detention facility in Placerville, California. The county applied \$4,020,000 in federal VOI/TIS funds, received under grant number 1996-CV-VX-0006, to construct the South Lake Tahoe Juvenile Detention Facility. The county may reinvest the lesser of the following two amounts: (1) DOJ's original investment of \$4,020,000 in federal VOI/TIS funds, received under grant number 1996-CV-VX-0006, or (2) DOJ's share of the current value of the South Lake Tahoe Juvenile Detention Facility.
- (2) The county will adhere to the DOJ Grants Financial Guide when obligating and expending the federal VOI/TIS funds. The DOJ Grants Financial Guide is available online at: https://www.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh241/files/media/document/DOJ_FinancialGuide_1.pdf.
- (3) The county will provide BJA with a detailed budget, for BJA's review and approval, which shows how the county plans to use the federal VOI/TIS funds in the construction of the proposed new detention center. BJA will review the budget to ensure there are no unallowable costs.
- (4) The county will not use the VOI/TIS funds to supplant or replace state or local funds already budgeted for the constructions of a new juvenile detention facility in Placerville, California. The county cannot redirect VOI/TIS funds from the South Lake Tahoe Juvenile Treatment Center to the new Placerville Detention and Treatment Center if the state or county has already approved funds for the facility's construction or operation.
- (5) The county will adhere to federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. The county must adhere to the federal NEPA guidelines and submit an environment assessment for review, or, if needed, an environmental impact statement. The OJP procedures to implement NEPA can be viewed at: 28 CFR, Part 61, including Appendix D. The county must comply with the NEPA requirements during the initiation of the project as part of planning, site selection, and site preparation. The county must complete the NEPA process prior to actual construction. For additional NEPA guidance, please visit the BJA web page at: <https://bja.ojp.gov/national-environmental-policy-act-nepa-guidance>.
- (6) The county will comply with the federal real property reporting requirements to include submitting to BJA a completed SF-429 annually for the first 3 years and thereafter every 5 years, per 2 CFR 200.329. The county will certify and document in the reports that the county is not using the VOI/TIS facility to generate a profit, which is unallowable.
- (7) The county acknowledges that DOJ's interest in the new facility will be for the facility's useful life, which is estimated to be 30 years.

(8) The county will continue to adhere to the Guidance for States on the Use and Disposition Requirements for VOI/TIS-Funded Facilities. The Guidance document is available online at: <https://bja.ojp.gov/program/violent-offender-incarceration-and-truth-sentencing-voitis-incentive-program/overview>.

Signature of authorized representative

Printed name of the authorized representative

Date of certification

Title of authorized representative