



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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Board Report

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Approve and Authorize the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency Director to sign and execute EMS Aircraft Service Provider Agreements with Reach Air Medical Services and California Shock Trauma Rescue dba CALSTAR wishing to provide EMS Aircraft services in the County of Monterey.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY:

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency is seeking Board of Supervisor approval to authorize the EMS Agency Director to sign and execute EMS Aircraft Service Provider Agreements with Reach Air Medical Services and California Shock Trauma Rescue dba CALSTAR wishing to provide EMS Aircraft services in the County of Monterey. The length of the agreements shall continue for a period of four (4) years from date of execution.

DISCUSSION:

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency is designated under California law by Monterey County as the local Emergency Medical Services Agency responsible for planning, implementing, and evaluating the local EMS system throughout Monterey County.

Under California law, no person or organization may provide “advanced life support,” also known as “paramedic” services, unless that person or organization is an authorized part of the emergency medical services system of the local EMS agency.

Under California law, a paramedic service provider, including EMS aircraft services, must have a written agreement with the local EMS agency to participate in the EMS system and to comply with all applicable state regulations and local policies and procedures, including participation in the local EMS agency’s continuous quality improvement (“CQI”) program.

The Paramedic Provider template agreement was approved by the Board of Supervisors on November 1, 2011. That agreement has been executed with Paramedic Service providers in the county.

This agreement is being returned to the Board for approval due to substantive changes made to reflect Reach Air Medical Services and CALSTAR role as an EMS Aircraft Service Providers.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has approved this EMS Aircraft Service Provider Agreement as to form and legality. Agreement is on file with Clerk to the Board.

FINANCING:

This agreement will have no impact to the General Fund Contribution.

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Attachments:
Reach Air Medical Services Agreement
California Shock Trauma Rescue dba CALSTAR Agreement