

NEVADA COUNTY

PROBATION DEPARTMENT

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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 24, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Goldman

Probation Department

SUBJECT: Resolution approving a renewal contract between the County of Nevada and SCRAM of California, Inc. in the amount of \$60,000 for the contract period of July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, for continuous alcohol monitoring and electronic monitoring.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: Contract in the original amount of \$60,000 in fiscal year 2025-2026, is funded by the Pretrial MOU with the Superior Court and State Local Community Corrections Account apportionment (AB109) funds. No general funds are required.

BACKGROUND:

Electronic monitoring and Continuous Alcohol Monitoring (CAM) are tools provided by SCRAM of California, which probation utilizes with its pretrial and formal probation populations. They offer several benefits for our clients who remain in the community awaiting trial versus being in custody:

Increased Accountability: Electronic monitoring and CAM provide a way to track and verify activities, promoting accountability among individuals subject to monitoring. This can be particularly effective in situations where adherence to rules, regulations, or legal requirements is essential.

Improved Compliance: By continuously monitoring activities, electronic systems can ensure compliance with specific guidelines, protocols, or legal obligations.

Efficiency and Cost-Effectiveness: Electronic monitoring systems can be more cost-effective and efficient compared to manual monitoring methods. It reduces the need for constant human supervision and allows for the automated collection of data, which can lead to significant savings in time and resources.

Customization and Flexibility: Electronic monitoring systems can often be customized to meet specific needs and requirements. They can adapt to different environments and situations, providing flexibility in how monitoring is implemented.

Risk Reduction: Electronic monitoring systems can help identify and mitigate risks by providing early warnings of potential issues or deviations from expected norms.

Data Collection and Analysis: Electronic monitoring systems generate vast amounts of data that can be collected and analyzed to identify trends, patterns, and areas for improvement. This data-driven approach can lead to better decision-making and optimization of processes.

The Department has been using SCRAM since 2015. Electronic monitoring and Continuous Alcohol Monitoring continue to be part of many clients' pretrial conditions. It can be used as a non-custodial response to behavior for clients under probation supervision.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Goldman Chief Probation Officer

Item Initiated by: Angelina Coffey, Administrative Services Officer

Approved by: Jeff Goldman, Chief Probation Officer