

September 15, 2026

Board of Supervisors
Kern County Administrative Center
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF MID-YEAR CAPITAL ASSET ACQUISITION OF
ONE (1) NEW LARGE AREA MOWER FOR GENERAL SERVICES; ALL DISTRICTS
(Fiscal Impact: \$55,000; Not Budgeted; Discretionary)**

Kern County General Services is requesting your Board's approval for a mid-year capital asset acquisition of one (1) new Large Area Mower. The division requests this purchase to continue to serve and maintain eleven (11) metro community parks, as well as several large regional parks and facility grounds efficiently and productively throughout the county. The division's existing Large Area Mower has experienced significant mechanical degradation, with two of its three blades no longer operational, resulting in reduced cutting capacity and inconsistent performance. The existing equipment has been relocated to a smaller location where it will not be used as often. While the unit remains minimally functional, its limited capabilities prevent it from meeting the operational demands of larger Metro parks. Relocating it allows the division to preserve limited utility while ensuring service levels at high-demand parks are not compromised.

Acquiring a new Large Area Mower will restore the division's ability to meet required maintenance standards at major parks. The new unit will allow grounds staff to complete required service in a timely and efficient manner, reduce labor hours, and minimize reliance on costly rental equipment. This purchase directly supports consistent, high-quality maintenance across all park locations, improves operational reliability, and reduces costs associated with equipment downtime while maintaining the safety and usefulness of these spaces.

The division's budget has spending authority within services and supplies ledger account; however, capitalization is required due to the cost of the unit. To facilitate this purchase, it is necessary to transfer appropriations in the amount of \$55,000 from Ledger Account 6050, Spend Category 1152SC – SDE/Miscellaneous to Ledger Account 7500, Spend Category 1005SC - Equipment.

The County Administrative Office has reviewed this request.

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Therefore, IT IS RECOMMENDED that your Board: 1) approve the mid-year capital asset acquisition of one (1) new Large Area Mower in an amount not to exceed \$55,000; and 2) authorize the Auditor-Controller to process the specified budgetary adjustments and accounting transactions.

Sincerely,



Michelle Burns-Lusich
Chief General Services Officer

MBL:IP: SR: yz
CC: County Administrative Office
Auditor-Controller-County Clerk



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Budget FY27 Operating Budget - Adopted
Organizing Dimension Type
Amendment ID BUDAMD2700140
Amendment Date 09/15/2026
Description Grounds Maintenance Assets
Amendment Type Board Amendment
Balanced Amendment Yes
Entry Type Adopted
Status In Progress

Budget Amendment Entries

Period	*Ledger Account/Summary	Spend Category	Revenue Category	*Cost Center	Designation	*Additional Worktags	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Memo	Exceptions
2027 Year (FY27 Operating Budget - Adopted)	7500:Fixed Assets - Expenditures	1005SC - Equipment		1148CC General Services		Fund: 1000FD General Fund	\$76,804.00	\$0.00	Replacement Refrigerator,Gardening Trailer,New Large Area Mower	
2027 Year (FY27 Operating Budget - Adopted)	6050:Services & Supplies	1152SC - SDE/Miscellaneous		1148CC General Services		Fund: 1000FD General Fund	\$0.00	\$76,804.00	Grounds Maintenance Assets	

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Budget Amendment Event	Approval by Cost Center Manager	Automatic Approval	08/28/2026 02:53:44 PM	08/29/2026	Juan Mosso Veronica (Cost Center Manager)	1	
Budget Amendment Event	Approval by Project Manager	Not Required		08/29/2026		0	
Budget Amendment Event	Approval by Project Hierarchy Manager	Not Required		08/29/2026		0	
Budget Amendment Event	Approval by Budget Manager	Awaiting Action		08/30/2026	Alejandro Alva (Budget Manager) Amanda Ruiz (Budget Manager) Antoinette Woods (Budget Manager) Elsa Martinez (Budget Manager) Eric Nisbett (Budget Manager)	10	