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Staff Report

Study Session
ITEM NO. 3

To: Lemoore City Council
From: Chief Kim Morrell
Date: May 30, 2007
Subject: Discussion of Gangs in Schools

The Lemoore City Council has identified a goal to expand efforts towards combating gang activities with a broad based community involvement, focusing both on prevention and enforcement.

As you are aware, the Lemoore Police Department has assigned Youth Development Officers to Liberty School (the officer also teaches DARE at the elementary schools) and the Lemoore High School. We have a position in the Kings County Gang Task Force which has remained empty the last fiscal year, due to staffing shortage of police officers. We anticipate filling that position as soon as possible this summer.

I have requested that Sgt. Steve Rossi attend the council meeting as he was the last officer assigned to the Gang Task Force to answer any questions you may have regarding this subject.