

**SANTA YNEZ COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**  
**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Loch Dreizler, General Manager  
**Date:** May 15, 2024  
**Subject:** Review and discuss installing dash cams on District vehicles.

**Proposed Motion/Recommendation:** No motion is necessary; this subject is only for discussion. Following discussion, staff will proceed with the necessary installation preparations before the end of the calendar year unless alternative direction is given to staff.

**Policy Implications:** None

**Fiscal Implications:** Minimal (\$250/\$500 each)

**Alternatives Considered:** Don't install dash cams on District vehicles.

**Discussion:**

Director Padelford and President Redfern, recognizing the potential benefits, requested that Dash Cams be presented to the Board for discussion.

1. Dash Cams are legal in California.
2. There are some rules about size, where mounted, and non-interference with airbag deployment, etc.,
3. Dash Cams will record speed, direction, and video, but no audio.
4. Audio will be turned off to prevent conversations from being recorded.
5. Dash Cams could help determine responsibility if an accident occurs.
6. Dash Cams do require operations and maintenance:
  - a. Regular cleaning
  - b. Secure Mounting
  - c. Temperature Management
  - d. Firmware Updates
  - e. Power Management
  - f. Storage (Memory) Management
  - g. Protection from Theft