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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Margaret Woodbury for Robert Westmeyer - County Counsel
County Counsel
REPORT BY: Brandi Periera, Paralegal , 251-1090
SUBJECT: Requests for exemption from farmworker housing assessment for County Service Area No. 4

RECOMMENDATION

County Counsel requests adoption of a resolution approving the following requests for exemption from the 2005-2006 assessments for County Service Area No. 4:

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Assessor's Parcel Nos.</u>
Thomas P. Kenefick, TR et al.	017-230-001-000
	017-230-002-000
	017-230-003-000
	017-230-029-000
	018-050-020-000
	020-340-007-000
	020-340-018-000

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The parcels subject to CSA No. 4 assessment are those consisting of one or more planted vineyard acres. Government Code Section 25210.4h and Napa County Code Section 3.12.060 provide that vineyard property owners who present proof to the Board that they are providing housing for their own workers shall be exempt from the assessment. The attached resolution exempts 7 parcels from the assessment.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted?	Based upon the Engineer's Report, the total reduction of the assessment revenues from the proposed actions would be \$1,210.84.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	None. Exemptions must be evaluated and approved annually.
Consequences if not approved:	The affected property owners will have to pay the assessments.
Additional Information:	

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: General Rule. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment and therefore CEQA is not applicable [See Guidelines For the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, 14 CCR 15061(b)(3)].

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

CSA No. 4 was formed for the purpose of providing funding for farmworker housing programs. Qualifying property owners approved the imposition of a yearly assessment not to exceed \$10.00 per planted vineyard acre. Government Code section 25210.4h provides that vineyard property owners who present proof to the Board that they are providing housing for their own workers shall be exempt from the assessment. This section also provides that no assessment shall be imposed on any parcel that exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on the parcel.

Thomas P. Kenefick has requested a 100 percent exemption from his assessment of \$1210.84 because he provides housing for all the farmworkers he employs.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Resolution approving Exemptions
- B . Exemption Application Form

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Maiko Klieman