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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Shelli Brobst for Randolph F. Snowden - Director  
Health & Human Services  
**REPORT BY:** Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720  
**SUBJECT:** Actions regarding Bioterrorism Preparedness Funding for Fiscal Year 2005-2006

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following in relation to bioterrorism grant funding from the State:

1. A revenue agreement with the California Department of Health Services for a maximum of \$233,249 for the term August 31, 2005 through August 30, 2006 for bioterrorism preparedness activities; and
2. A Certification Against Supplanting, certifying that funds will not be used to supplant funding for existing levels of service and that funds will only be used for the purposes stated in the Bioterrorism Preparedness Plan and Budget.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The requested actions will:

1. enable the acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 funding allocation for the bioterrorism program from the California Department of Health Services, and
2. certify that bioterrorism funds will not be used to supplant funding for existing levels of service, and that funds will only be used for the purposes stated in the Bioterrorism Preparedness Plan and Budget.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Public Health

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: If this revenue agreement is not approved, Napa County will not be able to participate in the state and federal bioterrorism preparedness program. Planned activities and staff positions will not be funded.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: The agreement terminates August 30, 2006.

Consequences if not approved: See above.

Additional Information: None.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The California Department of Health Services (CDHS) is providing continuing funding for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 to county health departments to plan for and implement the core public health capacities and benchmarks required in CDHS' application to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The funding is intended to upgrade state and local public health preparedness for and in response to bioterrorism, other outbreaks of infectious disease, and other public health threats and emergencies. An HHS Public Health Steering Committee prioritizes the needs identified in the grant application.

The requested actions enable the acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 funding of \$233,249. These funds will continue to support the limited term staff positions approved by the Board as well as training activities and drills for County employees and other community providers. An improved training program will assist the County in preventing public health threats and respond to emergencies arising from bioterrorism and outbreaks of communicable diseases.

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita