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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Marcia Blackmon for David Whitmer - Agricultural Commissioner
Agricultural Commissioner
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SUBJECT: Approval of a new State Agreement with California Department of Food and Agriculture

RECOMMENDATION

Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign new revenue agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for a maximum of \$51,786 for the term March 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007 for reimbursement of expenditures for activities related to Light Brown Apple Moth trapping program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The authorization of this new agreement with CDFA provides for reimbursement to the County for services provided from March 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007. These activities consisted of the placement and biweekly inspection of insect traps to determine if the Light Brown Apple Moth was in Napa County; mileage; administration, supervision and clerical support; and education and outreach materials, as well as for delimitation trapping done when a single LBAM was found in a trap in the City of Napa. The County trapping was done according to the terms of this agreement to insure Napa County is free of this harmful agricultural pest. The contract and subsequent reimbursement from the State is for activities performed during the prior fiscal year due to delays in the availability of State and Federal funding for this emergency project.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	The contract amount of \$51,786 is currently budgeted as anticipated revenue in the Department's FY2007-08 budget, but expenditures incurred during the last fiscal year due to unavailability of State and Federal funding. The Department did not receive the contract from CDFA until early 2008 and is now

requesting approval of the revenue for this current fiscal year for expenditures incurred during the pervious fiscal year. The revenue is currently included in revenue account line 46008400.

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: This new agreement is for Light Brown Apple Moth emergency project pest detection activities performed by the Agricultural Commissioner's Office during FY2006-2007, for the period of March 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007. The Agricultural Commissioner will be entering into another agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for similar pest detection activities performed between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, (FY 2007-2008).

Consequences if not approved: County will not receive reimbursement for program activities already performed as a part of the LBAM emergency project.

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

Light Brown Apple Moth (LBAM) was first discovered in the San Francisco Bay Area in the late fall of 2006. Since then, it has been detected in 12 counties, from Marin to Los Angeles. A Federal Domestic Quarantine order (DA-2007-42) was established on May 2, 2007 that required, in addition to other actions, additional LBAM trapping to ensure continued interstate movement of regulated articles. Although initial LBAM trapping efforts involved placing traps alongside existing detection traps, the federal order involved additional traps and efforts beyond that originally anticipated. The Agricultural Commissioner's Office subsequently participated in the emergency project and performed pest detection activities at a cost of \$51,786. These activities included the placement and inspection of insect traps and mileage; administration, supervision, and clerical support; and education and outreach.

In May 2007, a single LBAM was discovered in a trap in the City of Napa, resulting in increased program activities to delimit or determine if the moth that was found was part of an infestation or just a single find not part of a larger population. The delimitation trapping resulted in no additional moths being found. However, the State and Federal government subsequently placed a quarantine on a 1.5 mile radius around the find area and initiated ground treatment of approximately 94 properties in the quarantine area to eradicate any LBAM that might have been present. The quarantine was later lifted after completion of the ground treatments. Based on CDFA instrusctions, the costs for trapping LBAM were submitted to CDFA on August 2, 2007 for payment. On December 26, 2007 CDFA asked for the billing to be revised and once submitted a contract for payment would be developed and submitted to Napa County for reimbursement.

This new agreement with CDFA provides for the reimbursement of costs associated with performing pest detection trapping and related activities for LBAM in Napa County from March 2007 through June of 2007 as described above and allocates \$51,786 as required. This reimbursement is currently budgeted as anticipated

revenue in the Department's FY 2007-2008 budget. Reimbursement from the State for activities performed during the previous fiscal year is being made now due to a delay in available funding from the State and Federal government for this emergency project. The Department did not receive the contract from CDFA until early 2008 and the Agricultural Commissioner is now presenting it to the Board for approval of revenue to be received this fiscal year for services rendered last fiscal year. The Department continues to participate in the project during the current fiscal year and will be reimbursed by the State through an ammended or new contract for FY2007/2008 program activities.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi