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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Greg Clark for David Whitmer - Agricultural Commissioner
Agricultural Commissioner
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SUBJECT: Revenue Agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture

RECOMMENDATION

Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign renewal of revenue Agreement No. 6979 with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for a maximum of \$195,051 for the term July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 for reimbursement of expenditures for activities related to Light Brown Apple Moth trapping program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of the requested action will renew the County's agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for reimbursement of services for the Light Brown Apple Moth trapping program from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. These activities consist of the placement and biweekly inspection of insect traps to determine where the Light Brown Apple Moth is in Napa County; mileage; administration, supervision and clerical support; and education and outreach materials, as well as for delimitation trapping as necessary.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	The contract amount of \$195,051 is currently budgeted as anticipated revenue in the Department's FY2009/10 budget in revenue line 46008400. The total amount of revenue projected in this line at Approved Budget was \$190,015, and consisted of \$53,843 revenue agreement for general pest detection

trapping activities for various insect pests, the \$190,015 was based upon estimated workload at the time of budget preparation. The agreement before the Board today totals \$195,051 and reflects the significant increase in LBAM work activity that has occurred since the FY09-10 budget was approved. The new total of the contract will offset departmental expenditures for reimbursement of LBAM detection activities.

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	Yes
Future fiscal impact:	There is no future fiscal impact past this current fiscal year; however, the Agricultural Commissioner likely will be entering into another agreement with CDFA for similar LBAM detection activities performed between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011 (FY2010-11).
Consequences if not approved:	County will not receive reimbursement for program activities already performed as part of the LBAM detection work for Napa County.
Additional Information:	

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 what was originally anticipated. The Agricultural Commissioner's Office subsequently participated in the emergency project and performed pest detection activities as well as working to ensure the regulatory aspects of the program were communicated and followed by the public.

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 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. However, in late July and early August 2008, two LBAM were found in traps placed in the Carneros area. One of the finds was located on Duhig Road and the other find was on Ramal Road in Sonoma County. Given the close proximity of the moths to one another, a quarantine was placed over much of the two county Carneros region. In the Fall of 2008 LBAM were found in traps located in and around American Canyon which also resulted in a quarantine being established in that area. In early 2009, LBAM have been found in traps placed in the northeast area of Napa and another quarantine zone was established. The quarantines have continued to increase in size as additional LBAM are found.

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 July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as described above and allocates \$195,051 as required. This reimbursement is an increase of \$58,879 over the \$136,172 that was initially budgeted and included in the final approved budget for FY 2009-10. The increased amount reflects the ever increasing detection workload caused by the continual finding of LBAM.

The Department did not receive this contract from CDFA until November 19, 2009 as a result of the State's challenges formulating and approving a State budget, as well as developing and allocating sufficient resources to counties while LBAM continues to spread geographically. The Agricultural Commissioner is now presenting it to the Board for approval of revenue to be received this fiscal year for services rendered during this current fiscal year.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi