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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

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Health & Human Services

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SUBJECT: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Funding Agreement for FY 2005-2006

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a revenue agreement with the California Department of Health Services (CDHS) for a maximum of \$206,777 for the term September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2006 to fund Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program cooperative agreements with hospitals and supporting health care systems.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The California Department of Health Services provides federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grants to local health jurisdictions and emergency services agencies through contracts with these local entities. Napa County will administer the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 HRSA grant and pass through \$206,777 in funding to local hospitals, outpatient facilities, and emergency medical services systems through written agreements, contracts, or purchase orders.

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: HRSA provides funding for local health jurisdictions and their community

partners to purchase supplies and training services to adequately prepare for bioterrorism and other qualifying public health emergencies. Without this funding, Napa County would not be able to perform these activities or

would have to perform them using County general funds.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: The grant funding cycle is September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2006. This is

the fourth year of the grant cycle.

Consequences if not approved: Funding will revert to the State.

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

The federal Health Resources and Services Administration passes funds through the California Department of Health Services to local entities in the form of annual grants, to increase the capacity of local hospitals, clinics and other health care providers to respond to public health emergencies. Napa County acts as the fiscal agent and is responsible for purchasing items for hospitals and clinics as well as contracting for training services. Napa County was allocated \$206,777 in Year 4, which runs from September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2006. Year 4 will be funded concurrently with Year 3 funds totalling \$185,708, approved by the Board on May 3, 2005.

Of the total Year 4 amount, \$107,520 will be used for implementation and training contracts, \$46,200 will be used to purchase equipment from the Department of Health Services (DHS), and \$26,086 will be used to purchase non-DHS equipment and supplies. Training activities will include teaching County, hospital and clinic staff how to use equipment purchased in previous years, how to recognize biological agents, and emergency response when hazardous materials are involved. The DHS equipment purchases for hospitals are portable chairs for emergency evacuation, an additional pharmaceutical cache, and HEPA filters and lighting structures for previously purchased emergency management shelters. The non-DHS purchases include personal protective equipment, portable radios, and a Webcam for nationally webcasted training sessions. As fiscal agent, Napa County will receive \$26,971 to cover administrative costs of non-DHS purchases and contract administration.

HHSA received the revenue agreements from the State on February 7, 2006.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita