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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: A. Humberto Izquierdo for Greg Clark - Agricultural Commissioner
Agricultural Commissioner
REPORT BY: Jaspreet Faller, Staff Services Analyst - 253-4973
SUBJECT: Renewal of Revenue Agreement with California Department of Food and Agriculture

RECOMMENDATION

Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures requests approval of and authorization for the Chairman to sign the renewal of Revenue Agreement No. 7477 with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for a maximum of \$243,852 for the term January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for activities related to European Grapevine Moth regulatory program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The authorization of this agreement with CDFA provides for reimbursement to the County for European Grapevine Moth (EGVM) regulatory services performed from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. These activities consist of quarantine enforcement associated with inspection of commodities for *Lobesia botrana* prior to movement within or outside of the quarantine area; the monitoring of grape, olive and other nursery stock; issuance of compliance agreements to ship, handle or store regulated articles and commodities; and the issuance of certificate of quarantine compliance for movement of articles and commodities from the quarantine area. The agreement also provides for outreach and communication at the local level of State restrictions to industry members and residents in the quarantine area; maintaining of records of certificates and compliance agreements; and conducting administrative support and training for staff for all activities associated with the enforcement of State interior quarantine.

FISCAL IMPACT

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

Where is it budgeted?	Agricultural Commissioner (1000-1600000-43307).
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	Yes
Future fiscal impact:	This is an annual agreement that has no fiscal impact beyond the stated ending date.
Consequences if not approved:	If this agreement is not approved, the County will not be reimbursed for performing State mandated quarantine and regulatory activities. This would include not being reimbursed for work already performed. Protecting the County from harmful agricultural pests could only be done with appropriate funding, such as that provided by this agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture, or by funding the mandated activity through the General Fund.

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 European Grapevine Moth (EGVM), scientifically known as *Lobesia botrana*, was first identified in the United States from Napa County vineyards in October 2009. Grape (*Vitis vinifera*) is the primary host for this pest and of the most concern, although there are secondary hosts, such as olives, that are regulated.

The State of California, and later the Federal government, established a quarantine in areas where the moth has been found, including most of Napa County. The quarantine prohibits or restricts the movement of any host plant, plant part, or article described in regulation. In addition, the quarantine describes how commodities must be handled, transported, and processed at destination wineries. Special restrictions also apply to other agricultural operations and activities, including green waste haulers, production and retail nurseries landscapers, maintenance gardeners and community gardens.

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This agreement is coming late to the Board due to delays in Federal funding.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan