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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Tracy Cleveland for Greg Clark - Agricultural Commissioner
Agricultural Commissioner

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SUBJECT: Renewal of Revenue Agreements with the California Department of Food and Agriculture

RECOMMENDATION

Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights & Measures requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the renewal of the following revenue agreements:

1. Agreement No. 7448 with the California Department of Food & Agriculture for a maximum of \$942,939 for the term January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 for activities related to the European Grapevine Moth detection program; and
2. Agreement No. 1992 with the California Department of Food & Agriculture for a maximum of \$500 for the term July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 for activities related to the performance of nursery inspections to ensure nurseries are commercially clean and free of pests and plants are properly labeled.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The authorization of the agreement with the California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA) provides for reimbursement to the County for European Grapevine Moth (EGVM) detection (trapping services) performed from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. These activities consist of placing and servicing traps for the detection of the European Grapevine Moth, which is considered hazardous to agriculture and to the economy of California. This agreement includes reimbursement to the County of costs associated with the placement and inspection of detection traps. Reimbursement of these activities shall not exceed \$942,939.

The authorization of the agreement with CDFA for the Nursery Inspection Program provides for reimbursement to the County for nursery inspection and enforcement work (inspecting nursery facilities ensuring pest cleanliness and proper labeling) performed from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. Reimbursement of these activities shall not exceed \$500.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Agricultural Commissioner
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	Yes
Future fiscal impact:	Agreement No. 7448 for the EGVM Detection program is for calendar year 2017. The department has budgeted \$471,470 for FY16/17 and FY 17/18. Agreement No. 1992 for Nursery Inspections is an annual agreement that has no fiscal impact beyond the stated ending date of June 30, 2018.
Consequences if not approved:	If these agreements are not approved, the County will not be reimbursed for performing State mandated regulatory activities. This would include work already performed for the EGVM Detection program.
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

Agreement No. 7448 provides for trapping of the European Grapevine Moth (EGVM) which was first discovered in October 2009 in an eleven acre Chardonnay vineyard in Oakville. This was the first time that the invasive species was found in North America and the crop on the eleven acre vineyard was a complete loss due to the damage caused by the pest. An aggressive detection trapping program was started in Napa County which resulted in information revealing the moth was widely distributed throughout the County. Over the next year EGVM infestations were found in several other counties, including Mendocino, Solano, Sonoma, Fresno, San Joaquin, Merced, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Nevada.

In 2010, over 100,000 EGVM were found in monitoring traps and by the end of 2013 the total number of EGVM trapped had decreased to 40. From 2014-2016 there were zero EGVM trapped and eradication in Napa County was declared in August, 2016. While in the post eradication plan, the department will trap at a reduced density (25 traps per square mile) for the next three years. Agreement No. 7448 with CDFA allocates \$942,939 to reimburse the County for detection activities.

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

Agreement No. 1992 provides for reimbursement to the County for nursery inspections performed to ensure Napa County is free of harmful agricultural pests. Activities consist of enforcement of laws and regulations pertaining to nursery stock, including licensing requirements, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between

CDFA and the California Agricultural Commissioner and Sealers Association. Agreement No. 1992 with CDFA allocates \$500 to reimburse the County for performing nursery inspection activities.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri