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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Britt Ferguson for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer
County Executive Office
REPORT BY: Dana Jensen, Secretary/Committees & Commissions , 707-299-1517
SUBJECT: Dissolution of the Community Emergency Response Team Training Advisory Committee (CERT TAC)

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer and Emergency Services Manager request the dissolution of the Community Emergency Response Team Training Advisory Committee (CERT TAC) effective immediately.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The County Executive Officer and the Emergency Services Manager request that the Board approve a request to dissolve the Community Emergency Response Team Training Advisory Committee (CERT TAC). The CERT program, that the CERT TAC committee has been so instrumental in helping to develop, will continue to be available to the residents of Napa County. This request is to dissolve the CERT TAC committee effective immediately upon the approval of the Board of Supervisors.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

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 Board of Supervisors created the Napa County Community Emergency Response Team Training Advisory Committee (CERT TAC) on September 30, 2003. The purpose of the Committee was to provide support to the Napa County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program by assisting in program development, scheduling, marketing, outreach and media relations. CERT TAC consists of fifteen (15) members from the community who have completed CERT Training.

However, over the last year it has been difficult to retain and recruit Committee members.

- | All but two of the Committee members failed in meeting the requirement to attend the AB1234 Ethics in government training. Therefore, those who failed to meet the requirement are no longer eligible to continue serving on the Committee.
- | The functions of the Committee can be met by a more Ad Hoc volunteer structure under existing Citizen Corps guidelines, in accordance with the program guidelines as published on the CERT website maintained by the Department of Grants and Training of the Office of Homeland Security.
- | Dissolving CERT TAC will not affect program delivery. The CERT program will still be available to the residents of Napa County.

The work of the Committee helped institutionalize CERT as a program in Napa County and their assistance was greatly appreciated by instructors and program staff.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan