

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

# Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Agricultural

Commissioner

Department No.: 051

For Agenda Of: June 26, 2012
Placement: Administrative

**Estimated Tme:** 

Continued I tem: No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Cathleen M. Fisher, 681-5600

Director(s)

Contact Info: Kendra Stites or Traci Lewis, 681-5600

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Cooperative Agreement for the Pierce's Disease Program

## <u>County Counsel Concurrence</u> <u>Auditor-Controller Concurrence</u>

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions: That the Board of Supervisors approve and authorize the Chair to execute a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture to support the Glassy-winged Sharpshooter/Pierce's Disease Program for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014 in the amount of \$224,228.00.

#### **Summary Text:**

Approval of this Cooperative Agreement will enable the department to be reimbursed for activities that support the Glassy-winged Sharpshooter/Pierce's Disease Program including survey, inspection and/or treatment of the glassy-winged sharpshooter.

#### **Background:**

The Glassy-winged Sharpshooter (GWSS, pronounced gwiss) is a serious pest of grapes. It does not cause direct damage to the crop, but rather spreads the incurable and fatal Pierce's Disease of Grapes. All of southern California up to the Santa Ynez Mountains is infested with GWSS. Northern Santa Barbara County and the rest of northern California is free from the insect. The GWSS program that is funded by this cooperative agreement provides funds for the department to conduct two distinct programs. The program in the south County is an inspection program to certify that nursery stock shipments from qualifying nurseries in the infested area going to the uninfested areas to the north are free from GWSS. The program in the north County enables the department to inspect shipments of nursery stock that arrive from any infested area in southern California (including southern Santa Barbara County) to verify that they are GWSS free. The program has the full support of the state and local wine grape industry that pays an assessment to partially fund the program. The Board of Supervisors initially

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approved this contract on September 20, 2000 and subsequent agreements have been approved to cover the ongoing annual costs of these services.

## Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

## Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:		2012/13 FY Cost:		Total One-Time Project Cost	
General Fund						
State						
Federal	\$	131,396.39	\$	112,114.00		
Fees						
Other:						
Total	\$	131,396.39	\$	112,114.00	\$	-

Narrative: The total revenue from this contract is \$224,228.00 which includes \$112,114.00 for FY 2012/13 and \$112,114.00 for FY 2013/14.

## Staffing Impacts: None

#### **Special Instructions:**

Please return a minute order and one fully executed signature page for Cooperative Agreement 12-0095-SF to the Agricultural Commissioner's Office which will be sent to CDFA for final signature.

#### **Attachments:**

Cooperative Agreement No. 12-0095-SF

## **Authored by:**

**Guy Tingos**