

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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Department Name: Agricultural Commissioner
Department No.: 051
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TO: Board of Supervisors

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Agricultural Commissioner

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SUBJECT: Center for Invasive Plant Management - Weed Management Area Contract

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors: Authorize the Agricultural Commissioner to execute an agreement with the Center for Invasive Plant Management, Montana State University (Contract No. G269-06-W0094) for the Santa Cruz Island Native Plant Restoration Project in the amount of \$5,000. The term of this agreement is May 1, 2006 through April 30, 2007.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 4. A Community that is Economically Vital and Sustainable.

Executive Summary and Discussion: This project proposes to remove two noxious weeds, *Cirsium ochrocentrum* and *Solanum elaeagnifolium*, on both Santa Cruz and Santa Rosa Islands to protect and enhance the natural plant habitats of these islands. This specific project is a component of the Santa Cruz Island Native Plant Restoration Project which is supported by the Santa Barbara County Weed Management Area.

Mandates and Service Levels: The staffing needs for this project include a project manager and agricultural program specialist.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: The total revenue from this contract is \$5,000 which will be received during the Fiscal Year 2006/07 and deposited in Department 051, Fund 0001, Account 4789, Program 2000. A final budget adjustment will be prepared to account for this revenue and associated expenditures.

Special Instructions: Please return a minute order authorizing the Agricultural Commissioner to execute the contract.

Concurrence: County Counsel, Auditor-Controller, Risk Management