



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: October 1, 2024
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Jose Chang, Commissioner, 805-681-5600
Director
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SUBJECT: Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) Bulk Citrus Regulatory Program
Agreement #24-0236-036-SF with the California Department of Food and
Agriculture

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute an agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to receive reimbursement and services related to the Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) Bulk Citrus Regulatory Program in the County of Santa Barbara for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 in the amount of \$12,838.28; and
- B) Determine that the above action involves government funding mechanisms and/or fiscal activities and is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4).

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda for the Board of Supervisors to approve and authorize an agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to receive reimbursement for the Asian Citrus Psyllid Bulk Citrus Regulatory Program. Through this agreement, the CDFA reimburses the Santa Barbara County Agricultural Commissioner's Office for the cost associated with the regulatory enforcement activities related to the movement of bulk citrus within and out of the state of California.

Background:

Asian Citrus Psyllid, *Diaphorina citri*, is a small aphid like insect that spreads a destructive and often fatal disease of citrus and closely related plants called Huanglongbing (HLB) or Citrus Greening Disease. The activities covered by the agreement ensure the requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture’s Federal Order (CFR 301.76) and the CDFA’s state interior quarantine CCR 3435 for ACP are met. The funding for this program is anticipated to continue to provide reimbursement for our ACP Bulk Citrus Program activities. The effective date of the agreement is October 1, 2024.

Performance Measure:

The ACP Bulk Citrus Regulatory Program Agreement reimburses the Department at an hourly rate for quarantine response and regulatory enforcement activities. Reimbursable activities include issuance of compliance agreements and regulatory inspections of citrus growers/transporters/sellers/farm labor contractors, Trace-Back/Trace-Forward investigations, data entry and meeting attendance.

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:

N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State	\$ 12,838.28		
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 12,838.28	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative: While the recommended agreement will reimburse the Agricultural Commissioner’s Office for certain ACP related activities up to \$12,838.28, the annual cost of the ACP Bulk Citrus Regulatory Program is approximately \$20,000 with the additional revenues to continue the program from State Aid and General Fund revenue.

Key Contract Risks:

If funding for any fiscal year is reduced or deleted for purposes of this program, the CDFA will have the option to either terminate this Agreement with no liability occurring to the CDFA, or offer to amend the Agreement to reflect the reduced amount.

Staffing Impacts: The work required under the ACP Bulk Citrus Regulatory Program agreement will continue to be completed by existing staff.

Special Instructions:

Please return a fully executed signature page for Standard Agreement No. 24-0236-036-SF and a minute order to the Agricultural Commissioner’s Office/ Weights and Measures.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Asian Citrus Psyllid Agreement No. 24-0236-036-SF

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