



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: Agricultural Commissioner
Department No.: 051
Agenda Date: June 24, 2025
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s): Jose Chang, Agricultural Commissioner
Contact: Stephanie Stark, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner
SUBJECT: Noxious Weed Grant Program Amendment to Agreement 23-0309-000-SA with the California Department of Food and Agriculture

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an agreement amendment with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to reduce invasive weed populations for the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027, in the amount of \$61,190.30; 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:

The item is on the Board of Supervisors agenda for review and execution of an agreement with the CDFA to reimburse the County for weed control activities in Santa Barbara County. The Noxious Weed Grant Program supports efforts such as data collection, mapping, and other activities related to the control of invasive and noxious weeds as defined in the Food and Agriculture Code Section 7270-7276. The request is to amend the existing agreement by increasing the agreement by \$55,190.30 for a new total not to exceed \$61,190.30. The amendment would also extend the agreement's expiration date from June 30, 2025, to December 31, 2027.

Discussion:

The grant supports efforts by the County Agricultural Commissioner's Office (CAC) and the Santa Barbara County Weed Management Area (SBCWMA) to survey, map, and perform other related activities related to the control of noxious and invasive weeds located in Santa Barbara County.

Background:

On September 12, 2023, the Board executed the 2023 Noxious Weed Grant Program Agreement (23-03039-000-SA) with the CDFA for the purpose of controlling invasive and noxious weed populations for the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$6,000.00. The amendment would also extend the expiration date from June 30, 2025, to a new expiration date of December 31, 2027. The grant supports efforts by the County Agricultural Commissioner's Office (CAC) mission to improve and protect agriculture, natural resources and the quality of life in Santa Barbara County.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY [23/24 & FY 24/25]	FY [25/26 & FY 26/27]	FY [<i>fiscal year 3</i>]	Total
General Fund				
State	\$6,000.00	\$55,190.30		\$61,190.30
Federal				
Fees				
[<i>Other Source</i>]				
Total	\$6,000.00	\$55,190.30		\$61,190.30

Staffing Impacts:

None. The work will be completed by existing staff.

Special Instructions:

Please return a fully executed signature page for Agreement #23-0309-000-SA, Amendment No. 1 and a minute order to the Agricultural Commissioner's Office.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Noxious Weed Agreement #23-0309-000-SA, Amendment No.1

Attachment B: Noxious Weed Agreement #23-0309-000-SA

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