



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: February 9, 2021
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Van Do-Reynoso, MPH, PhD, Director
Director(s) Public Health Department
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SUBJECT: Case Investigation and Contact Tracing Memorandum of Understanding with California Department of Public Health

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 consider recommendations as follows:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the California Department of Public Health and the County of Santa Barbara for Emergency Medical and Health Disaster Assistance authorizing up to thirty State employees to assist the County with Case Investigation and Contact Tracing in Santa Barbara County for COVID-19 during the period of January 9, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- b) Determine that the proposed action does not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because it consists of organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the Agenda for your Board to ratify and execute an MOU with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for Emergency Medical and Health Disaster Assistance relating to Case Investigation and Contact Tracing in Santa Barbara County for COVID-19.

Background:

By entering into this MOU, the Public Health Department's COVID-19 unit will be able to gain remote assistance from redirected State of California staff to assist with case investigation and contact tracing

for COVID-19 response in Santa Barbara County. The COVID-19 unit will work with the State's redirected staff liaison and supervisor to provider leadership, guidance, and supervision related to case investigation and contact tracing. The Board approved an MOU with CDPH in August 2020 for investigation and contract tracing that expired on January 8, 2021. This MOU allows for this work to continue through June 30, 2021.

Performance Measure:

N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: N/A

Fiscal Analysis:

The redirected State staff are provided by the State of California at no cost to Santa Barbara County.

Key Contract Risks:

N/A

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

0

FTEs:

0

There are no staffing impacts

Special Instructions:

Please execute one (2) original MOUs with the California Department of Public Health and retain one (1) original MOU and one (1) Minute Order for pick-up by the department. Please email Kelly.Lazarus@sbcphd.org when available for pickup.

Attachments:

A. Case Investigation and Contact Tracing MOU with CDPH

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