

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407

Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240 Submitted on: (COB Stamp)

Department Name: Agricultural Commissioner

Department No.: 051

Agenda Date: October 21, 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

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SUBJECT: Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) Bulk Citrus Regulatory Program

Agreement #25-0251-031-SF with the California Department of Food and

Agriculture

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify 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 for services related to the Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) Bulk Citrus Program in the County of Santa Barbara for the period of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 in the amount of \$11,997.81; 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.

Discussion:

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 ACP Bulk Citrus Program activities.

Background:

Asian Citrus Psyllid, *Diaphorina citri*, is a small aphid-like insect that spreads a destructive and often fatal disease to citrus and closely related plants called Huanglongbing (HLB) or Citrus Greening Disease.

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.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY [25/26]	Total
General Fund		
State		
Federal	\$11,997.81	\$11,997.81
Fees		
Total	\$11,997.81	\$11,997.81

Staffing Impacts:

None. 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. 25-0251-031-SF and a minute order to the Agricultural Commissioner's Office/ Weights and Measures.

Attachments:

Attachment A – ACP Program Agreement 25-0251-031-SF

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