



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: Set Hearing:  
November 2, 2010  
Placement: Departmental  
Estimated Time: 20 minutes on Nov 9,  
2010  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Takashi Wada, MD, MPH Director/Health Officer  
Director Public Health Department  
Contact Info: Nancy Lapolla, MPH (681-5264)  
Emergency Medical Services Agency Director  
**SUBJECT: Maddy Emergency Medical Services Fund Report to Legislature**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** N/A

As to form:

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Set a hearing on November 9, 2010 to approve a report on the Maddy Emergency Medical Services Fund and authorize staff to submit the report to the California legislature.

**Summary Text:**

AB 1900 was passed in 2008 to allow Santa Barbara County to generate funding for the local Maddy Emergency Medical Services (EMS) fund which supports the emergency and trauma care system. The legislation has a sunset date of January 1, 2011 and stipulates that "the Board of Supervisors shall report to the Legislature whether, and to the extent that, any actions are taken by the County of Santa Barbara to implement alternative local sources of funding." Assembly Bill 1900 Nava also has specific language that imparts: "It is the intent of Legislature in passing another extension on this penalty assessment that the County of Santa Barbara secure a permanent local funding mechanism to ensure the continuation of trauma care in the region before the repeal of Section 76104.1 of the Government Code." The attached report to the Legislature identifies local actions taken by the County to implement alternative local sources of funding when revenues from AB 1900 sunset on January 1, 2011.

**Background:**

The term "Maddy Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund" refers to a funding mechanism that currently generates approximately \$994,000 a year through the assessment of penalties on motor vehicle

and criminal fines and forfeitures to partially compensate health care providers for otherwise uncompensated emergency medical services. The Maddy EMS Fund in Santa Barbara is provided by two bills: Assembly Bill 1900 (Nava) that has a sunset date of January 1, 2011, and Senate Bill 1265 (Padilla) that has a sunset date of January 1, 2014.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: No

**Fiscal Analysis:**

There are no fiscal implications with the Board approval of the report to California's Legislature.

**Staffing Impacts:**

This action will not result in any additional need for staff or facilities.

**Special Instructions:**

Please send an electronic copy of the Minute Order to the PHD Contracts Unit at [PHDCU@sbcphd.org](mailto:PHDCU@sbcphd.org)

**Attachments:**

Maddy Report to Legislature, November 2010.

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