



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: January 21, 2014
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Guy Tingos, 681-5600
Director(s)
Contact Info: Kendra Stites or Traci Lewis, 681-5600
SUBJECT: Approval of Light Brown Apple Moth Agreement 13-0359-SF

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: *Yes

Recommended Actions: That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for the Agricultural Commissioner's Office to be reimbursed for regulatory activities for the Light Brown Apple Moth Program in the County of Santa Barbara for the period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 in the amount of \$36,960.81; 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 agreement will provide reimbursement for the cost of all activities to perform regulatory work since October 1, 2013 for the Light Brown Apple Moth program which is primarily focused on quarantine implementation in accordance with the Federal Domestic Quarantine Order and California State Interior Quarantine, 3 California Code of Regulations 3434 and emergency response activities as a result of detections of light brown apple moth in regulated establishments.

Background: In February of 2008, Light Brown Apple Moth was detected for the first time in Santa Barbara County. United States Department of Agriculture and California Department of Food and Agriculture implemented quarantines in March of 2008, requiring additional regulatory activities to be performed by the Agricultural Commissioner's Office. As a result of these activities, Light Brown Apple Moth was eradicated from the County. The insect was again found in the Westmont College area in 2009 and was eradicated. In 2012, Light Brown Apple Moth was detected in Goleta, Carpinteria, and Santa Maria. State and Federal Quarantines are in place and restrict the movement of locally grown

nursery stock and produce. The efforts necessary to eradicate the pest and remove the restrictions from commercial agriculture operations are funded by this cooperative agreement. The initial agreement for FY 07/08 was approved by the Board on 06/24/08 in the amount of \$9,968.56 and continued funding has been approved each year for these activities. Due to the uncertainty of on-going Federal funding, the State is currently issuing agreements for this program on a quarterly basis.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis: [*"Double Click to see Funding Source Instructions"*](#)

<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			
Federal	\$ 36,960.81		
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 36,960.81	\$ -	

Narrative: The Department originally budgeted \$126,604 in revenue from this contract for FY 13-14. After the budget was submitted, the Department was notified by the USDA that funding for this activity had been drastically cut, but was later reinstated. The Department has reduced resources allocated to this program to match the current funding levels and the Department expects to realize revenue from this program in the original budgeted amount.

Staffing Impacts: None

Special Instructions:

Please return a minute order and one fully executed signature page for Light Brown Apple Moth Agreement 13-0359-SF to the Agricultural Commissioner's Office which will be sent to CDFA for final signature.

Attachments:

Light Brown Apple Moth Agreement No. 13-0359-SF

Authored by:

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