REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY AND RECORD OF ACTION

September 12, 2023

FROM

BRADY GERGOVICH, Agricultural Commissioner / Sealer, Department of Agriculture / Weights & Measures

SUBJECT

Revenue Agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for the Nursery Inspection Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve **Revenue Agreement No. 23-951** (State Agreement No. 23-0469-000-SA) with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures to continue to provide inspection services related to the Nursery Inspection Program for a maximum reimbursement of \$15,413, retroactively effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

(Presenter: Brady Gergovich, Agricultural Commissioner / Sealer, 387-2115)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Operate in a Fiscally-Responsible and Business-Like Manner.

Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The revenue agreement specifies a term from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, for a maximum reimbursement of \$15,413. Sufficient appropriation and revenue have been included in the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures (AWM) 2023-24 budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This revenue agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services / Pest Exclusion (CDFA, PHPPS / Pest Exclusion) will reimburse AWM for performing inspection services related to the Nursery Inspection Program for a maximum reimbursement of \$15,413 from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

AWM currently performs inspections related to the Nursery Inspection Program, which includes inspecting nurseries throughout San Bernardino County for pest cleanliness, labeling, and grades and standards as required by the California Food and Agricultural Code Division 4, Part 3, Chapter 2, Article 1, § 6903. These inspections deter the spread of plant pests, insects and diseases that pose a threat to California's environment, the agricultural industry and the economic well-being of the State and County.

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On December 20, 1982 (Item No. 44), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the initial revenue agreement to provide inspection services at nursery locations throughout San Bernardino County and a revenue agreement has since been renewed on annual basis.

On July 31, 2023, AWM received the State revenue agreement in the amount of \$15,413 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. This item is being presented to the Board at this time, as this is the first date available for presentation following the required operational, fiscal and legal reviews. Approval at this time will have no impact on work performed for the Nursery Inspection Program since July 1, 2023, as it will be reimbursed under this agreement.

This revenue agreement aligns with the County and Chief Executive's Officer's goals and objectives by working with other agencies with respect to performing inspections for the Nursery Inspection Program on behalf of CDFA, PHPPS / Pest Exclusion and receiving reimbursement for the work performed.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Daniel Pasek, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on August 14, 2023; Finance (Elias Duenas, Administrative Analyst, 387-4052) on August 16, 2023; and County Finance and Administration (Valerie Clay, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) August 17, 2023.

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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

DATED: September 12, 2023



cc: A/W& M - Gergovich w/agree for sign

Contractor - c/o A/W&M w/agree

File - w/agree

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