

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

June 22, 2021

FROM

**ROBERTA WILLHITE, Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer, Department of
Agriculture/Weights & Measures**

SUBJECT

Revenue Agreement with California Department of Food and Agriculture for Fruit and Vegetable Inspection Services for the Standardization Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve State Revenue Agreement **County Contract No. 21-456** (No. 21-0132-000-SA) with California Department of Food and Agriculture for the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures to continue to inspect fruits and vegetables at wholesale and packing facilities for the Standardization Program, on behalf of the State, from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, for a maximum reimbursement of \$24,279.60.

(Presenter: Roberta Willhite, Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer, 387-2117)

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.

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, 2021, through June 30, 2022, for a maximum reimbursement of \$24,279.60. Sufficient appropriation and revenue have been included in the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures (AWM) 2021-22 budget. Services per the revenue agreement will be provided by existing AWM staff.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This revenue agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Inspection Services Division/Inspection and Compliance/Standardization program (CDFA, Standardization) will reimburse AWM for performing inspection services related to fruit and vegetable quality and maturity standards at wholesale and packing facilities for the CDFA, Standardization, for a maximum reimbursement of \$24,279.60 from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

This revenue agreement aligns with the County and Chief Executive Officer's Goals and Objectives to Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies with respect to performing fruit and vegetable inspections and related activities for the Standardization program on behalf of CDFA, Standardization and receiving reimbursement for the work performed.

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AWM will continue to perform fruit and vegetable quality and maturity standards inspections at production and wholesale locations to determine compliance with the California Food and Agricultural Code and the California Code of Regulations. Under the terms of this agreement, AWM will inspect, on a quarterly basis, wholesale produce businesses, grocery store warehouses and large volume vegetable producers for quality, grade and labeling requirements related to the sale of fruit and vegetables; rejecting substandard commodities. Fruit and vegetable inspections are an ongoing, mandated service and this revenue agreement with CDFA, Standardization only provides supplemental funding for the inspections as CDFA only provides supplemental funding to counties for this program. The funding received from CDFA is based on actual inspection time, mileage, and overhead costs.

The Board of Supervisors (Board) first approved the initial revenue agreement with CDFA, Standardization on September 12, 2000 (Item No. 8), to provide inspection services at locations throughout San Bernardino County and an agreement has since been renewed on a continual annual basis.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Katherine Hardy, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on May 14, 2021; Finance (Elias Duenas, Administrative Analyst, 387-4052) on June 8, 2021, 2021; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387- 5423) on June 8, 2021.

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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Dawn Rowe

Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Janice Rutherford, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: June 22, 2021



cc: A/W&M - Willhite w/agree
Contractor - C/O A/W&M w/agree
File - w/agree

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