

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Community Health Agency/Environmental Health

SUBMITTAL DATE:
April 20, 2006

SUBJECT: Transfer of \$2,000 to LAFCO to Perform a Vector Control Services Study

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- 1) Approve the payment of \$2,000 by the Department of Environmental Health to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to hire a consultant to perform an independent review of vector control services in Riverside County.
- 2) Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the attached letter to LAFCO clarifying the County's expectations from the study.

Departmental Concurrence

BACKGROUND: The County of Riverside currently has three different entities (County Vector Control and two vector control districts) providing vector control services to residents. While all provide the same basic services, there are differences in funding sources and service delivery.

One existing District, the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District (NWMVCD) is actively seeking to expand it's service area into those areas currently serviced by the County of Riverside, Department of Environmental Health (DEH).

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Gary Root

Gary Root
Director

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 2,000	In Current Year Budget:	No
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	

SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

Lisa Brandt

County Executive Office Signature

Dept't Recomm.: Consent Policy

Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

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Background (continued)

At the request of LAFCO, an independent review will be performed to study the need for these services and make recommendations as to the best way to provide those services. The study will also cover funding issues. (See Attachment "A").

LAFCO has requested the County DEH provide \$2,000 and that Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District (NWMVCD) and Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District (CVMVCD) each provide \$5,000 toward this study.

The findings of the report will be provided to the County Board of Supervisors, the County Executive Office, County DEH, CVMVCD and NWMVCD.



April 17, 2006

Gary Root
Director
Department of Environmental Health
4065 County Circle Drive
Riverside, CA 92513-7600

Dear Mr. Root:

The Riverside Local Agency Formation Commission is preparing a study of Vector Control issues within Riverside County. This study will be limited in scope and will review the following topics:

1. County wide vector control overview and needs
2. Existing providers of vector control services within the county
3. Scope of service provision by each provider
4. Fiscal constraints / opportunities for service provision
5. Government structure options

It is intended that this limited scope study will be conducted in the most cost effective manner, in that a limited RFP will be issued, a very tight timeline requirement and the scope of work will be strictly limited to the above items. It is LAFCO's intent to have this study finished by the Riverside LAFCO's July hearing date of July 27, 2006.

Cost is estimated to be approximately \$12,000 with each of the special districts providing \$5,000 and the County providing \$2,000.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wayne Fowler", is written over a horizontal line.

Wayne Fowler
Senior LGA



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From: Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

To: Wayne Fowler, LAFCO

Re: Expectations from the LAFCO Vector Control study

Dear Mr. Fowler:

Our Board has recently approved the payment of \$2,000 by the Department of Environmental Health to the Local Agency Formation Commission to hire a consultant to perform an independent review of vector control services in Riverside County. In addition to this, the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District (NWMVCD), as well as the Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District (CVMVCD), will each be contributing \$5,000 towards this study. We request that our Environmental Health Director have input into the selection of the consultant.

It is our understanding that the purpose of this study is to provide an independent review of the level of vector control services currently provided in Riverside County and the need for enhanced service levels and; to make recommendations as to the best way to provide those services. The study will also address funding issues associated with those services.

Our further expectations of this study include providing information on the following:

- 1) Regardless of who provides the service, is there a benefit in having parcel assessments as a funding mechanism?
- 2) The County program currently provides contract services to incorporated cities who are not interested in joining a district. We also perform plague and lyme disease surveillance and testing. If NWMVCD and/or CVMVCD expand into the current County service area how would these services continue to be provided?

- 3) Special Districts by their very nature typically do not cover extensive areas. Would the proposal by NWMVCD and CVMVCD to expand provide an area too large for their type of operation?
- 4) Is there a benefit to maintaining our current county program in terms of program cost, accountability and public representation?

Sincerely,

Bob Buster, Chairman
Riverside County Board of Supervisors