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



FROM: Supervisor Bob Buster & Supervisor Jeff Stone SUBMITTAL DATE: August 31, 2010

Expansion of Foreign Trade Zone Number 153 to include significant SUBJECT: portions of Southwest Riverside County for the purpose of business retention, attraction, and assistance to manufactures

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Direct the Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA and the County Foreign Trade Commissioner to use any and all county resources necessary to secure inclusion of significant portions of Southwest Riverside County within Foreign Trade Zone Number 153
- 2. Direct the Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA and the County Foreign Trade Commissioner to convey to the United States Department of Commerce the support of the County of Riverside to be included in Foreign trade Zone 153 in partnership with the City of San Diego, California
- 3. Convey to the United States Department of Commerce and the City of San Diego that support for the expansion of Foreign Trade Zone 153 into this county is predicated on benefits of said zone being extended to, on a uniformed basis, to companies in this county, in a manner consistent with the legal requirements that each Foreign Trade Zone is operated as a public utility

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- 4. Direct the Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA and the County Foreign Trade Commissioner to support said expansion and request ex officio membership for the County of Riverside on the Grantee Board administering Foreign Trade Zone 153 as a means of developing and maintaining a professional relationship with the leadership and staff of Foreign Trade Zone 153.
- 5. As a professional courtesy, direct the Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA and the County Foreign Trade Commissioner to inform the Cities of Temecula, Wildomar, Lake Elsinore, and Murrieta, along with the March JPA of the action taken by the board in support of expansion of Foreign Trade Zone 153.

BACKGROUND: Western Riverside County is currently served by Foreign Trade Zone 244 operated by the Joint Powers Authority of which the County of Riverside is a member. After a year-long effort lead by the County of Riverside, with the support of the March Joint Powers Authority, Riverside Greater Chambers of Commerce, The Monday Morning Group, and The Southern California Foreign Trade Association of the United States Departments of Commerce and Homeland Security agreed to support the Board of Supervisors' request to expand the zone to extend benefits and service to more businesses located in the zone.

Unfortunately the requested expansion did not include significant portions of Southwest County. By supporting the effort of the City of San Diego, the grantee of Foreign Trade Zone 153 into the Southwest County, businesses located inside the expanded zone will enjoy the same benefits of companies located in Foreign Trade Zone 244. The expanded zone will begin where Interstate 15 south intersects the southern border of the County of Riverside: then westward along the Riverside and San Diego County border until this border meets the Orange County line: then north along the Riverside and Orange County line until it intersects State Route 74: then northeasterly along SR 74 until the highway intersects Grand Avenue in the City of Lake Elsinore: then southeasterly on Grand Avenue through the City of Wildomar until Grand Avenue intersects Clinton Keith Road: then south on Interstate 215 until it intersects Los Alamos Road; then south on I-215 until it intersects Los Alamos Road: then east on Los Alamos Road through the City of Murrieta until this road changes to Thompson Road in the town of Winchester; continuing east on Thompson Road and then south on Maddalena: then east on Shrimp Lane and south on Washington Street and continuing south as this street name changes to Borel Road; then continuing east on Borel Road: then south on Warren Road; then southwesterly on Rancho Road to where it meets I-15, then south on I-15 until it intersects the Riverside County line.