

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

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SUBMITTAL DATE:

FROM: Department of Public Health

SUBJECT: Receive and File Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System Evaluation Update

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisor's receives and files the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Evaluation Update

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Supervisors approved item 3.10 on June 12, 2012 to authorize the EMS Agency to hire a consultant to evaluate the County's present EMS system, including in the process those stakeholders that wish to participate. Completed and ongoing activities include:

1. On July 24, 2012 a RFP to hire a consultant to work on an improved Riverside County EMS Plan was released. On, November 20, 2012 a consultant Agreement with the Abaris Group was approved by the Board of Supervisors.

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Susan Harrington, Director
Department of Public Health

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| FINANCIAL DATA | Current F.Y. Total Cost: | \$ 0 | In Current Year Budget: | Yes |
| | Current F.Y. Net County Cost: | \$ 0 | Budget Adjustment: | No |
| | Annual Net County Cost: | \$ 0 | For Fiscal Year: | 12/13 |

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

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

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: *Debra Cournoyer*
Debra Cournoyer

County Executive Office Signature

- Policy
- Policy
- Consent
- Consent

Dept't Recomm.:

Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 6/12/12, 3.10
12/11/12, 2.11

District: All/All

Agenda Number:

2-22

Departmental Concurrence

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2. In December 2012, written communications were sent to all EMS system stakeholders outlining the approach to the evaluation process and establishing points of contact for the advisory steering committee, broad stakeholders group, key informant interviews and stakeholder focus groups.
3. In December 2012, a folder was established in the EMS Agency webpage (rivcoems.org) that will provide public access to documents developed during the evaluation process.
4. In December 2012 and early January 2013, advisory steering committee members were identified and notified.
5. January 17, 2013 was the first EMS system evaluation advisory steering committee meeting.

The Abaris group has completed a project plan. Multiple meeting sites have been secured to begin broad stakeholder group meetings throughout the County. The Abaris group is currently working directly with stakeholders requesting EMS system information. Abaris is also scheduling focus group meetings and key informant interviews in order to be inclusive, transparent and to obtain broad input.

The project is on time and on target to provide system improvement recommendations to the Board of Supervisors by March 2014. The Department will provide a monthly updates to the Board of Supervisors. The next update is scheduled for February 26, 2013.