

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

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FROM: Department of Environmental Health

SUBMITTAL DATE:
September 17, 2013

SUBJECT: Feasibility Survey to Fund the Department's Vector Control Program. A potential consultant expense of \$25,000-\$200,000 may result in annual program funding of approximately \$1,200,000. Applicable portions of all Districts would be surveyed for public opinion and potential voting.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors: Authorize the Department of Environmental Health to work with the Executive Office and Purchasing Department to initiate a Request for Proposal (RFP) for using a qualified consultant to conduct a feasibility study and public opinion survey to potentially fund the Department's Vector Control Program via benefit assessment of the service area.

BACKGROUND: Summary: The Department of Environmental Health has provided vector control services to the central and far eastern portions of Riverside County since 1973. Current service contracts are maintained for cost recovery with the cities of Temecula, Murrieta, Menifee, Wildomar, Hemet, San Jacinto, Perris, Moreno Valley, Beaumont, and Banning.

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Steve Van Stockum
Director

Departmental Concurrence

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year	Next Fiscal Year	Total Cost	Ongoing Cost	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 25,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 200,000	\$ N/A	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ N/A	

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Department accounts and funds. **Budget Adjustment:** Yes
For Fiscal Year: 13/14;14/15

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Click here to ~~approve~~ **APPROVE**
BY:
Steven C. Horn, MPA
County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Benoit, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: October 1, 2013
10/1/2013 5:11 PM
Environmental Health

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By:
Deputy

- A-30
- Positions Added
- 4/5 Vote
- Change Order

Prev. Agn. Ref.: **District:** **Agenda Number:** 3-8

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BACKGROUND: Summary (continued): However, services to the unincorporated areas have diminished over the past several years due to NCC funding cuts which has led to staffing, equipment, and supply reductions. In order to provide reliable, effective, and pro-active services in these areas, a stable funding source is needed to protect County residents and visitors from West Nile virus and other vector-borne diseases. The Department therefore recommends initiating a RFP for using a qualified consultant to conduct a feasibility study and public opinion survey to potentially fund the Vector Control Program via benefit assessment of the unincorporated service areas (Phase I). If the feasibility study is approved with favorable results, then the Department will return to the Board seeking approval to proceed with the required engineering, balloting, tabulation, and outreach to confirm public approval (Phase II). Both Phases I and II will be included in the Scope of Services for the RFP.

A proposed assessment would be similar to the existing funding mechanism of current vector control districts such as the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District and Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District as well as surrounding Environmental Health Vector Control Programs such as those established in San Bernardino County and San Diego County. If a proposed assessment is ultimately approved for up to 120,000 parcels, then program reliance on any Net County Cost should be eliminated.

The cities of Canyon Lake and Riverside recently obtained voter approval for annexation into the adjacent Vector Control District thus showing that the public appreciates the value of a very moderate (\$5-10) annual assessment to protect their communities and families from vector-borne diseases.

Impact on Citizens and Businesses

If approved, this process will allow parcel owners within the unincorporated area service boundaries to initially express their opinions and potentially cast votes to support maintained and enhanced vector control services with a very moderate benefit assessment.

SUPPLEMENTAL: Additional Fiscal Information

Preliminary research indicates a cost of approximately \$25,000 to have a qualified consultant work with the Department of Environmental Health to conduct a feasibility and public opinion survey (Phase I). This expense would be covered by restricted mosquito control funds. If the Phase I process indicates majority support as expected, then the Department will return to the Board to seek approval for Phase II. That process would potentially cost approximately \$175,000 and will include the required engineering, balloting, tabulation, and outreach to confirm public approval of a benefit assessment. This expense would also be covered by Department funds and account balances.

**Riverside County Board of Supervisors
Request to Speak**

Submit request to Clerk of Board (right of podium),
Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject
to Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form.

SPEAKER'S NAME: Chuck Parker

Address: 68230 Club Circle Drive
(only if follow-up mail response requested)

City: Desert Hot Springs CA. **Zip:** 92240

Phone #: 760 880-6453

Date: 10-1-13 **Agenda #** 3-8 Environmental Health

PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW:

Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item:

Support **Oppose** **Neutral**

Note: If you are here for an agenda item that is filed
for "Appeal", please state separately your position on
the appeal below:

Support **Oppose** **Neutral**

I give my 3 minutes to: _____

BOARD RULES

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You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, insuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please insure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo.

Individual Speaker Limits:

Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. Please step up to the podium when the Chairman calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chairman adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. ***Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.***

Group/Organized Presentations:

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chairman's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chairman:

The Chairman will determine what order the speakers will address the Board, and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles in order to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the general public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chairman may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.