

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



ITEM  
3.20  
(ID # 5127)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, August 29, 2017

FROM : AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER:

SUBJECT: AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER: Proclamation of Local Emergency in Riverside County due to the discovery of citrus greening disease, or huanglongbing. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2017-196 proclaiming a Local Emergency within Riverside County.

ACTION: Policy

  
Ruben J. Arroyo, Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer 8/16/2017

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Perez and Ashley  
Nays: None  
Absent: Tavaglione  
Date: August 29, 2017  
xc: Agric. Comm.

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board

By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A</b>			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b>	N/A
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b>	N/A

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** [CEO Approve]

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

On July 25, 2017, the presence of the bacterial agent that causes citrus greening disease, or huanglongbing (HLB) was confirmed from a tissue culture collected from a backyard grapefruit tree in the city of Riverside. HLB is a fatal disease of citrus trees and is spread through feeding action of the Asian citrus psyllid (ACP).

HLB originated in Asia, and is considered the most devastating disease of citrus in the world. Symptoms of HLB include yellow shoots with mottling and chlorosis of the leaves, misshapen fruit that does not fully color and fruit that has a very bitter taste making it unfit for human consumption. The bacterium that causes the disease blocks the flow of nutrients within the tree, causing the tree to starve. There is no cure and trees infected with the disease will die.

This disease has nearly destroyed the citrus industry in Florida and Texas. In Florida, it is estimated that the presence of HLB has resulted in a loss of over \$7 billion and 6,600 jobs over the last five years. Prior to the Riverside find, HLB was discovered in Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

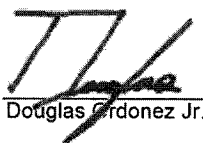
The presence of ACP and now HLB in Riverside County presents a serious threat to our annual \$187 million commercial citrus production as well as the tradition of backyard and landscape citrus plantings throughout the County. The history of Riverside County is rooted in citrus. The risks posed by the continued spread of ACP and HLB constitute a local emergency within Riverside County.

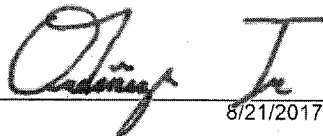
It is requested that the Board of Supervisors adopt Resolution No. 2017-196 proclaiming a Local Emergency.

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**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

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Douglas Cordonez Jr.

  
8/21/2017

  
Gregory V. Priamos, Director County Counsel 8/16/2017

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-196

3 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
4 DECLARING THE EXISTANCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

5 **WHEREAS**, Government Code Section 8630 authorizes the Board of Supervisors to  
6 proclaim the existence of a "local emergency"; and,

7 **WHEREAS**, Government Code Section 8558(c) defines such conditions as "air  
8 pollution, fire, flood, storm, epidemic, riot, drought, sudden and severe energy shortage, plant  
9 or animal infestation or disease, the Governor's warning of an earthquake, or volcanic  
10 prediction or an earthquake or other conditions, other than resulting from a labor controversy,  
11 which conditions are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and  
12 facilities of that political subdivision and requiring the combined forces of other political  
13 subdivisions to combat"; and,

14 **WHEREAS**, citrus greening disease, or huanglongbing is a devastating disease that  
15 threatens citrus trees in Riverside County; and,

16 **WHEREAS**, the Asian Citrus Psyllid is a vector for the bacterium that causes  
17 huanglongbing; and,

18 **WHEREAS**, the Asian Citrus Psyllid and huanglongbing were confirmed in Riverside  
19 County by lab analysis and visual survey; and,

20 **WHEREAS**, the potential exists for the spread of huanglongbing throughout Riverside  
21 County, causing significant economic peril to the citrus industry consisting of approximately  
22 16,500 acres and annual production valued at \$187 million; and,

23 **WHEREAS**, huanglongbing may have the ability to spread to other areas, especially the  
24 San Joaquin Valley, which contains large acreages of citrus; and,

25 **WHEREAS**, researchers at the University of California, Riverside are engaged in  
26 scientific studies aimed at early detection of huanglongbing and development of control  
practices for the Asian Citrus Psyllid and huanglongbing; and,

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the  
proclamation of a "local emergency".

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED** that a "local  
emergency" exists throughout the County of Riverside; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that all County officials and employees  
cooperate and coordinate efforts with officials and employees of other political subdivisions

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY *[Signature]* DATE 8/16/17  
DALE A. GARDNER

1 and officials and employees of the state and federal government in bringing the present  
2 condition of local emergency under control; and,

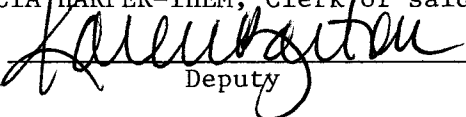
3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the County Agricultural  
4 Commissioner will be in charge of directing Riverside County efforts during this emergency  
5 and that all County officials and employees cooperate with him in bringing this emergency  
6 under control; and,

7 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that within the next fourteen (14) days,  
8 a report on the most recent conditions of emergency be presented to this Board of Supervisors  
9 so that this Board may determine whether conditions of emergency still exist.

10 ROLL CALL:

11 Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Perez and Ashley  
12 Nays: None  
13 Absent: Tavaglione

14 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly  
15 adopted by said Board of Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

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KECIA HARPER-IHEM, Clerk of said Board  
By  Deputy

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RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Request to Speak

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

Date: 8-28-17 Agenda #: 3.20

SPEAKER'S NAME: Tracy L. Kahn  
(Print Name)

Address: Dept. Botany and Plant Sci, UCR  
(Only required if follow-up mail response is requested)

City: Riverside CA Zip: 92521-0124

Phone #: 951 827-7360 Email: tracy.kahn@ucr.edu

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- Applicant's Representative
- Other Interested Party

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

Position on Agenda Item:

- In Favor
- Neutral
- Opposed

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Date: 8-29-17 Agenda #: 320

SPEAKER'S NAME: ETA TAKELE  
(Print Name)

Address: 21150 BOX SPRINGS RD  
(Only required if follow-up mail response is requested)

City: MORENO VALLEY Zip: 92557

Phone #: 951-683-6491 Email: etaakele@ucant.edu

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SPEAKER'S NAME: Joyce Jong  
(Print Name)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Only required if follow-up mail response is requested)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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SPEAKER'S NAME: Allyssa Houtby  
California Citrus Mutual (Print Name)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Only required if follow-up mail response is requested)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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