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



ITEM: 3.9 (ID # 25967)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, October 01, 2024

FROM:

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

SUBJECT: AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER: Rates to be Charged for Agricultural Services for FY 2024/2025. All Districts.[Reimbursement for Services Provided 100%]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and adopt the proposed rates to be charged for agricultural services for FY 2024/2025 as specified in Attachment A.

ACTION:Policy

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes:

Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Date:

October 1, 2024

XC:

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Kimberly A. Rector

Clerk of the Board

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Yo	ear:	Next Fiscal Ye	ar:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 0	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS Reimbursement for S	5.50	ided	100%	•	Budget Adjus	stment: No
					For Fiscal Yea	ar: 2024/25

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

The Agricultural Commissioner's Office provides various services for a 1.3-billion-dollar agricultural industry in Riverside County. This industry includes vegetables and citrus in the Coachella Valley desert, wine grapes in the Temecula Wine Country and cotton, alfalfa and wheat along the Colorado River. The office is entrusted with the mission of promoting and protecting the agricultural industry of the County and its environment, ensuring the health and safety of the County's citizens, and fostering confidence and equity in the marketplace through education and the fair and uniform enforcement of laws, regulation, and ordinances enacted by the people of the State of California and the County of Riverside.

On August 25, 2020, Agenda Item 19.1, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2020-144, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside Adopting An Amended Fee Schedule for Agricultural Services within the County of Riverside. While some fees the Agricultural Commissioner's Office charges are statutorily set, several of the fees the Agricultural Commissioner's Office charges are based on the actual time expended plus mileage accrued. Actual time expended is composed of the hourly pay rate and benefits of the inspector in effect at the time services are rendered plus department overhead multiplied by the hours or fraction of hours expended in ¼ hour increments. Based on this formula the Agricultural Commissioner's Office may adjust the fee schedule annually to account for increased costs associated with providing the services covered by Resolution No. 2020-144.

The Agricultural Commissioner's Office, based on departmental cost analysis, deemed it necessary to amend the hourly pay rate and benefits of the inspectors and the department overhead in order to ensure full cost recovery. The hourly pay rate and benefits of the inspectors and the department overhead rate is being updated and amended in accordance with the Board of Supervisor's Policy B-4, "RATES CHARGED FOR CURRENT SERVICES". The proposed rates have been made in collaboration with the Auditor Controller's Office and it is based on departmental revenue and expenditures and current staff and labor cost.

ATTACHEMENTS:

Attachment A: Proposed Rates to be Charged for Agricultural Services for FY 2024/2025

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Jason Farin, Principal Management Analyst 9/26/2024

County of Riverside Agricultural Commissioner Proposed Fee Schedule

Description	Current Rate	Hourly Fee (Total Proposed Rate)	Difference
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	68.3	77.89	9.59
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.54	81.13	8.59
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	70.26	75.40	5.14
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	78.26	87.21	8.95
DEP AG COMMISSIONER-SEALER	75.56	92.90	17.34
SUPV AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGTR	79.41	88.08	8.67
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.73	80.94	8.21
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.69	83.68	10.99
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.83	77.92	5.09
DEP AG COMMISSIONER-SEALER	94.31	105.79	11.48
SUPV AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGTR	83.16	89.29	6.13
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	78.09	83.52	5.43
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.15	83.59	8.44
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.56	81.15	5.59
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.59	80.90	5.31
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.54	81.14	5.60
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.43	80.83	5.40
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	77.73	83.41	5.68
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	70.18	78.34	8.16
SUPV AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGTR	79.97	89.29	9.32
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	67.86	78.04	10.18
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.53	80.92	5.39
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.6	83.63	8.03
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.6	83.69	8.09
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.7	80.98	8.28
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	78.23	83.70	5.47
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.84	78.17	5.33
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.83	78.16	5.33
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.5	80.74	5.24
SUPV AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGTR	83.13	89.29	6.16
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.67	80.67	8.00
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	68.12	78.16	10.04
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.73	80.66	7.93
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.48	80.92	5.44
DEP AG COMMISSIONER-SEALER	83.16	99.99	16.83
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	67.84	80.67	12.83
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	67.08	76.89	9.81
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.45	81.12	5.67
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.65	80.87	8.22
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.58	80.90	5.32
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	63.23	78.16	14.93
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	68.27	80.52	12.25
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.77	80.98	8.21
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	75.56	81.11	5.55
AG & STANDARDS INVESTIGATOR IV	72.74	78.15	5.41