

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 6/10/2025

File #: 25-695

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Agricultural Commissioner

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: 4/5th

SUBJECT:

Approval of Cooperative Agreement No. 25-0263-000-SA, Nursery Inspection Program contract in the amount of \$1,143.00

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve Cooperative Agreement No. 25-0263-000-SA, known as the Nursery Inspection Program contract with the California Department of Food and Agriculture in the amount of \$1,143.00; and
- 2. Authorize the Chair to sign the original agreement, and direct the Clerk of the Board to return all signed copies to the Agricultural Commissioner's office for further processing; and
- 3. Grant a waiver from the provisions of the Nuclear Free Ordinance.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Core Services/Other

Strategic Plan Category: 9999 - Core Services/Other

DISCUSSION:

The Agricultural Commissioner's office receives annual subventions from California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to offset the local cost of enforcing certain state-mandated programs. Cooperative Agreement No. 25-0263-000-SA through CDFA provides funding for Humboldt County's Nursery Inspection Program. The Agriculture Department enforces laws and regulations pertaining to the production and sales of nursery stock, including but not limited to licensing requirements and nursery stock cleanliness standards. The county nursery inspection program is conducted in accordance with the state-county Nursery Inspection Program Memorandum of Understanding between CDFA and the California Agricultural Commissioner's and Sealer's Association (CACASA). The amount reimbursable under this agreement shall not exceed \$1,143.00 based on 70.5 reimbursable acres as reported by Humboldt County.

In Humboldt County there are 56 licensed production nurseries producing a wide range of plants and plant products including but not limited to cut flowers, reforestation conifers, vegetable starts and ornamental plants.

The waiver from the provisions of the Nuclear Free Ordinance is requested since the State of California will not modify its cooperative agreements to accommodate local ordinances.

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SOURCE OF FUNDING:

California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) General Fund (1100261)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenditures (1100, 261)	FY25-26
Budgeted Expenses	\$1,143.00
Additional Appropriation Requested	
Total Expenditures	\$1,143.00

^{*}Projected amounts are estimates and are subject to change.

Funding Sources (Fund, Budget Unit)	FY25-26
General Fund	
State/Federal Funds	\$1,143.00
Fees/Other	
Use of Fund Balance	
Contingencies	
Total Funding Sources	\$1,143.00

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Narrative Explanation of Financial Impact:

Cooperative Agreement No. 25-0263-000-SA provides \$1,143.00 for the Humboldt County Nursery Inspection Program in fiscal (FY) 2025-26. Payment is made in arrears to Humboldt County based on monthly invoices and upon meeting contractual requirements.

Sufficient funds are included in the FY 2025-26 proposed budget for the Agricultural Commissioner budget, 1100261.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impact:

There is no impact on staffing as this is part of regular staff duties.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Your Board may not choose to approve this agreement. However, that is not recommended as the county would not be reimbursed for work performed in the program.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Cooperative agreement No. 25-0263-000-SA

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: August 13, 2024

File No.: 24-1100