



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 12/4/2018

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File #: 18-1501

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Agricultural Commissioner

SUBJECT:

Approval of Standard Agreement No. 18-0276, Exotic Pest Detection Trapping Contract in the amount of \$20,307

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors approve Standard Agreement No. 18-0276, known as the Exotic Pest Detection Trapping Program Contract with the California Department of Food and Agriculture; authorize the chair to sign the original agreement, one copy of the cover page, and the contractor certification, then return all signed copies to the Agricultural Commissioner's office for further processing; and grant a waiver from the provisions of the Nuclear Free Ordinance.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA)

DISCUSSION:

The waiver from the provisions of the Nuclear Free Ordinance is requested because the State of California will not modify its "standard agreements" to accommodate local ordinances. The Agricultural Commissioner's Office receives annual subventions from CDFA to offset the local costs associated with enforcing certain state-mandated programs. One of these programs, the Exotic Pest Detection Trapping Program is conducted annually by the Agriculture Department and is intended to identify introductions of specific insect pests that are known to cause serious damage to agriculture or the environment. Humboldt County's detection program is the local component of an annual state-wide effort by counties that target multiple species of destructive insect pests. Under the general direction of CDFA, Standard Agreement no. 18-0276 provides funding for Humboldt County's trapping survey and will focus on the "A-rated" pests, Gypsy Moth and Japanese Beetle. Early detection of local introductions is essential for preventing their spread and increasing the likely success of eradication efforts. Each of these pests has the potential to cause significant damage to Humboldt County's environment and could, if established, cause quarantine restrictions to be placed on Humboldt County timber and agricultural products.

Agriculture Commissioner's staff will place and inspect traps located throughout Humboldt County from July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2019.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no net cost to Humboldt County for the Exotic Pest Detection Trapping Program. All costs for personnel, mileage, and supplies will be reimbursed by the contract. Standard agreement no. 18-0276 provides a total of \$20,307.00 in 2018-19 for Agriculture Department activities related to the Exotic Pest Detection Trapping Program. No supplemental budget accompanies this request as revenue and expenditure account were previously funded in anticipation of this agreement. All costs are billed to CDFA on a monthly basis and payment is made in arrears to Humboldt County.

Approval of this agreement to fund the Exotic Pest Detection Trapping Program is consistent with your Board's strategic priority framework by creating opportunities for improved safety and health and providing community-appropriate levels of service.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

CDFA

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion

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ATTACHMENTS:

One complete Standard Agreement No. 18-0276, one copy of the cover page and the contractor certification (CCC-307).

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A