

Board Agenda Item 25

DATE: June 6, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Melissa Cregan, Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures

SUBJECT: Specific Revenue Agreements for Fiscal Year 2023-24

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Approve and authorize the Fresno County Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures to approve, and execute on behalf of the County of Fresno, specific revenue agreements for FY 2023-24 (estimated \$4,974,400), subject to approval as to legal form by County Counsel, and approval as to accounting form by the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector; and

2. Approve and authorize the Fresno County Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures to approve, and execute on behalf of the County of Fresno, amendments to these same revenue agreements on behalf of the County of Fresno, which may increase or decrease each agreement maximum by an amount not to exceed the greater of 15% of the agreement maximum, or \$10,000, subject to approval as to legal form by County Counsel, and approval as to accounting form by the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector.

There is no additional Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. Approval of the first recommended action will authorize the Fresno County Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures to approve and execute specific revenue agreements, listed in the report below, on behalf of the County of Fresno for Fiscal Year 2023-24, subject to approval as to legal form by the County Counsel, and approval as to accounting form by the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector. Due to programmatic changes made during the year, the Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures may also need to amend these revenue agreements. The second recommended action will allow the Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures to approve and execute, on behalf of the County of Fresno, amendments to each revenue agreement that may increase or decrease the agreement maximum by an amount not to exceed the greater of 15% of the agreement maximum, or \$10,000. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

If your Board decides not to adopt these recommended actions, the Department will bring each revenue agreement and associated amendments before your Board for consideration.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. Approval of the recommended actions will save administrative resources required to process designated agreements and amendments below a specific dollar amount, which are typically estimated in each year's Adopted Budget.

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DISCUSSION:

The Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures has historically sought out revenue sources to fund various activities of the Department. These revenue sources typically require that the County enter into revenue agreements with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), California Department of Pesticide Regulation (CDPR), California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDP&R), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), and other governmental agencies. Currently, the Chairman of your Board must approve and sign these revenue agreements. However, since 2012, your Board has annually authorized the Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures to execute specific revenue agreements, as well as the related amendments for increases or decreases within 15% of the maximum amount for each agreement.

With your Boards approval of the recommended actions, the authority for the Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures will extend to execute certain revenue agreements, and to execute any necessary amendments to those agreements that may increase or decrease each agreement maximum in an amount not to exceed the greater of 15% of the agreement maximum, or \$10,000, for FY 2023-24.

In the interest of efficiency, approval of the recommended actions will authorize the Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures to approve and execute the specified revenue agreements listed below for FY 2023-24, on behalf of the County. All revenue agreements shall continue to be reviewed and approved by County Counsel and the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector, regardless of your Board's action.

Although time frames for the listed revenue agreements vary depending upon the source, most are based upon the State fiscal year, the calendar year, or Federal fiscal year.

Any revenue agreements not specified below, or any that may fall outside the authorities granted by your Boards approval will be brought to your Board for consideration individually.

Listed below are the revenue agreements anticipated for FY 2023-24, with their estimated revenues:

- **1. Asian Citrus Psyllid Year-round Trapping:** estimated \$488,000 for year-round residential detection trapping of Asian Citrus Psyllid hosts. (Source: CDFA, based on Federal Fiscal Year)
- 2. Floating Aquatic Vegetation (FAV) Control Program: estimated \$110,000 for treatment and control of FAV along the San Joaquin River and tributaries. (Source: CDP&R, based on calendar year, multi-year agreement)
- **3. Asian Citrus Psyllid Bulk Citrus Regulatory:** estimated \$85,000 for inspection of bulk citrus shipments for Asian Citrus Psyllid. (Source: CDFA, based on Federal Fiscal Year)
- **4.** California Seed Law (MOU): estimated \$12,000 for enforcement of California standards for labeling and cleanliness of agricultural seed sold. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- 5. CCIA Seed Certification (MOU): estimated \$2,100 allows the County to perform harvester inspections, and issue movement certificates for certified seed grown in the county. (Source: California Crop Improvement Association, based on State Fiscal Year)
- **6. Detector Dog Team Program:** estimated \$221,000 for the Dog Team Parcel Inspections Program. The Dog Team is used to detect the presence of unwanted plant pests in packages shipped through local parcel facilities. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- 7. Certified Farmers Market Inspections: estimated \$20,800 for certified farmers' market and certified producer production site inspections performed in Fresno County. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- 8. Navel and Valencia Inspections: estimated \$98,000 for inspection and testing for maturity of navel

- oranges. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- **9. European Grapevine Moth:** estimated \$200,000 for detection trapping of commercial vineyards throughout the county. Traps are placed throughout the County from March to August. (Source: CDFA, based on calendar year)
- **10. Detection Trapping:** estimated \$560,000 for an exotic pest trapping program to detect insect pests of economic concern before they become established in California. Insect traps are placed throughout the County from April to October to detect exotic insect pests. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- 11. GWSS Program Areawide: estimated \$648,000 for detection trapping and delimitation surveys for Glassy-winged Sharpshooter in commercial citrus and grapes, grower reimbursement for treatments to commercial citrus made on behalf of the program. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year, two-year agreement expires June 2024)
- **12. GWSS Survey/Trapping/Regulatory/Treatment:** estimated \$1,834,000 for detection trapping and delimitation surveys, nursery plant shipment inspections, and residential treatments to prevent the spread of Glassy-winged Sharpshooter. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year, two-year agreement expires June 2024)
- **13. Industrial Hemp Cultivation Program:** estimated \$87,000 for the registration, public outreach, and enforcement of the program. (Source: CDFA, based on the State Fiscal Year, two-year agreement expires June 2024)
- **14. Cucumber Green Mottle Mosaic Virus (CGMMV) Program:** estimated \$10,000 for surveys to detect CGMMV in fields with a history of positive CGMMV finds in seed and/or plant material. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- **15. Nematode Control Program:** estimated \$1,400 for the certification and documentation of soil treatments for the Nematode Control Program in nursery stock plantings. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- **16. Nursery Inspection Program:** estimated \$16,000 for annual nursery stock inspection and compliance assessment at producer/wholesale nursery locations within the County. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- **17. Organic Inspections:** estimated \$9,000 to reimburse the Department for random onsite grower inspections and farmers' market inspections, to ensure compliance with state organic law. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- **18. High Risk Program:** estimated \$400,000 for High Risk inspections, such as fruit and foliage at freight terminals, to prevent introduction of pests of concern to California. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- **19.** Fuels, Lubricants and Automotive Products Program: estimated \$18,300 for inspection of petroleum dispenser and gasoline price signs to determine compliance with regulatory requirements. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- 20. Pink Bollworm Cotton Plowdown and Host-free Period Monitoring Program: estimated \$4,500 for Cotton plowdown enforcement to eradicate Pink Bollworm Moth. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- **21. Standardization Inspections:** estimated \$143,800 for inspection of fruits and vegetables for maturity, defects, and package labeling, to ensure state minimum standards. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)
- 22. Weighmaster Program: estimated \$5,500 for inspection of junk dealers and recyclers to help deter fraudulent transactions and decrease the sale of stolen metal property. Verify weight loads and certificate accuracy, which are used in purchase transactions. (Source: CDFA, based on State Fiscal Year)

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #44, June 7, 2022

BAI #28, May 11, 2021

BAI #25, May 12, 2020

BAI #22, May 14, 2019

BAI #32, May 8, 2018

BAI #36, April 25, 2017

BAI #26, April 12, 2016

BAI #23, June 2, 2015

BAI #11, June 10, 2014

BAI #27, October 23, 2012

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