

Resource Management Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: February 5, 2019 – REVISED

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Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk Published Notice Required Advertised Published Notice Meet & Confer Required Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes		N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A		
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CONTACT PERSON: Celeste Perez PHO	NE:	559-62	24-7010		

SUBJECT: Approval of an adjustment to the FY 2019 Cross Valley Canal Budget

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve an increase in the FY 2019 Cross Valley Canal budget to account for an increase in Central Valley Project water deliveries; and
- 2. Approve the necessary budget adjustments, per the attached AUD 308 (4/5ths vote required).

SUMMARY:

On November 10, 1975, the County of Tulare entered into a "Contract between the United States, State of California and the County of Tulare, providing for water service from the Central Valley Project (CVP)." The contract has been extended several times through a series of interim agreements. The most recent interim agreement was Interim Renewal Contract Number 14-06-200-8293A-IR17 approved by the Board on February 6, 2018 (Tulare County Agreement Number 28476).

The purpose of these agreements is to allow the County to receive CVP water, in its role as Cross Valley Canal (CVC) Contractor, on behalf of County subcontractors. The County is intended to be a pass-through agency for these subcontractors. All costs and expenses associated with this water service are to be paid by the subcontractors based on their individual agreements with the County.

The contract entitles the County's CVC subcontractors to a maximum water allocation of 5,308 acre feet annually. Since 2013, a combination of low precipitation and various environmental or political concerns have caused the CVC's water allocation

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to be zero. In years where water allocation is zero, the CVC subcontractors still pay for maintenance costs, standby charges and legal and engineering consulting costs. The current FY 2019 CVC budget accounts for a zero water allocation year. At the beginning of June 2018, the CVC was allocated 50% of its maximum water allocation.

Recently, County staff was informed that select CVC contractors would like to receive their 2018 water allocation. As a result, Resource Management Agency (RMA) personnel would like to increase budgeted CVC expenses (\$525,000 increase) and revenues (\$525,000 increase) for FY2019 to account for the increase in CVP water deliveries. RMA policy has been to collect prepayments from CVC subcontractors for all future expenses to prevent County subsidization. RMA personnel recently invoiced CVC subcontractors for \$503,000 in prepayments. The remaining \$22,000 increase is for contingencies.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

No Net County Cost.

All expenses for operations and administration of the CVC contract incurred by the County are reimbursed through the billing of those costs to the subcontractors.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Economic well-being. The approval of this agreement will promote economic development opportunities in the County.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Sherman Dix, CPA Assistant Director Fiscal Services

Reed Schenke, P.E. Director

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Attachment A - AUD 308

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF AN ADJUSTMENT TO THE FY 2019 CROSS VALLEY CANAL BUDGET) Resolution No. _____

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR ______, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ______, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD <u>FEBRUARY 5, 2019</u>, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____

Deputy Clerk

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Attachment "A"

AUD 308

County of Tulare — Auditor Controller Budget Adjustment Form

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