



**Tulare County Agricultural  
Commissioner/Sealer  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

KUYLER CROCKER  
District One  
PETE VANDER POEL  
District Two  
AMY SHUKLIAN  
District Three  
EDDIE VALERO  
District Four  
DENNIS TOWNSEND  
District Five

**AGENDA DATE:** February 26, 2019

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Jonathan Bixler    PHONE: 684-3350

**SUBJECT:** Approve an Agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for an ACP Trapping Program.

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an Agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for providing State subvention in the amount of \$371,269 to offset costs of providing Asian Citrus Psyllid detection trapping services, retroactive to October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. This Agreement is retroactive because the document was not received from the State until December 12, 2018 and had to have a CEQA exemption prepared by RMA.
2. Find that the Board had authority to enter into the proposed Agreement as of October 1, 2018, and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the Agreement on that date.
3. Find there is no substantial evidence that proposed activity will have a significant effect on the environment and determine the Categorical Exemption is consistent with the CEQA Title 14 CCR, Section 15061(b)(3) general rule exemption, that was prepared for the project reflects the independent judgment of the County and completed in compliance with the CEQA of 1970;
4. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign two copies of the Agreement.

**SUMMARY:**  
This Agreement is intended to render State financial aid to the County for providing Asian Citrus Psyllid detection trapping. The early detection of this detrimental pest is critically important to the citrus industry in our county and will allow for the early detection and elimination of an exotic insect pest that could threaten our citrus

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industry and our ability to export citrus products from our country. Tulare County Resource Management Agency will sign off on a California Environmental Quality Act exemption.

Deviations from the standard County contract include:  
a. Mutual Liability: Each party assumes liability for its own wrongful or negligent actions.

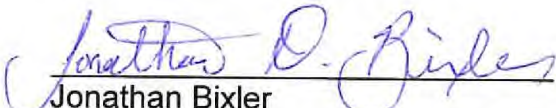
**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

There is no additional net County cost to the General Fund associated with this action. This Agreement provides \$371,269 to the County to provide detection trapping for Asian Citrus Psyllid. The expenses and revenues are recurring for this program and have been included in the Agricultural Commissioner's Fiscal Year 2018/2019 budget.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Economic Well-Being Initiative to promote economic development opportunities, effective growth management and a quality standard of living. The request to approve this Agreement will provide a continued funding source that will allow the continuation of a program that protects the County's agricultural economy.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

  
Jonathan Bixler  
Deputy Agricultural Commissioner/  
Sealer of Weights and Measures

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) CDFA ACP Trapping Agreement and CEQA Exemption

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

APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE )  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD ) Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
AND AGRICULTURE FOR AN ACP ) Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_  
TRAPPING PROGRAM )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, 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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