



Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency

John Davis, Agency Director

AGENDA DATE: August 08, 2006

Item No. _____

SUBJECT: Purchase of a Nuaire Biological Safety Cabinet for the Tulare County Public Health Laboratory.

REQUEST(S): That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the fixed asset purchase of a Nuaire Biological Safety Cabinet for the Tulare County Public Health Laboratory in the amount of \$10,000.

SUMMARY: Congress authorized a continuing response to bioterrorism and other public health emergencies in June 2002. On October 25, 2005 under Board resolution # 2005-0676, HHSA was authorized to apply for the CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program grant from CDHS and the Chairperson was authorized to sign the grant agreement and certification against supplanting.

The Tulare County Public Health Laboratory has been approved by CDHS to serve as the Laboratory Response Network (LRN) Reference Laboratory for Tulare, Kings and Kern Counties. The Nuaire Biological Safety Cabinet is required in order to attain a Biological Safety Level 3 (BSL-3) capability for Reference Laboratories and to protect microbiologists as they handle select agents and other airborne pathogens.

Board Strategic Plan Initiative Addressed: Safety and Security

FINANCING: This purchase is fully funded by the CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant funds and there is no net cost to the County. This fixed asset request and the budget line for it is included in the requested County FY 06/07 budget under budget line 001-142-6039-7035.

ALTERNATIVES: Do not approve purchase of the Nuaire Biological Safety Cabinet.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS/AGENCIES: N/A

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: N/A

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:


Ray Bullick, Director, Health Services Branch

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

IN THE MATTER OF) RESOLUTION NO. _____
Purchase of a Nuaire Biological Safety)
Cabinet for the Tulare County Public)
Health Laboratory.)

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOREGOING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD August 08, 2006,
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: C. BRIAN HADDIX
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors hereby:

- 1) Approved the purchase of a Nuaire Biological Safety Cabinet for the Tulare County Public Health Laboratory.