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County of Tulare



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AGENDA ITEM: December 19, 2006 Item# _____

SUBJECT: Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between University of California Cooperative Extension and the County of Tulare, which continues the partnership between the two entities by updating the prior agreement and aligning with University protocols.

REQUEST: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between University of California Cooperative Extension and County of Tulare.
2. Authorize the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

SUMMARY: Tulare County has worked in cooperation for many years with University of California Cooperative Extension. University of Cooperative Extension was established by Congress with the Smith-Lever Act of 1914 and is authorized under the provisions of the State of California Education Code, Section 32330. The joint effort between the University of California, the United States Department of Agriculture and Tulare County began in 1918. This voluntary partnership was created to provide a better standard of living for County residents by identifying, developing and delivering research and education programs in the areas of agriculture, 4-H youth development, family and consumer science and natural resources. Major activities include direct consultation with clientele by phone, office visits, and farm/institutional visits; educational events such as seminars, training sessions, grower meetings, grower/industry field days; and targeted research projects to solve local problems. The Department also produces and distributes a variety of printed and web based educational and informational materials.

This Memorandum of Understanding continues the partnership with Tulare County and University of Cooperative Extension. At the request of the University this Memorandum of Understanding updates the prior agreement and aligns with University protocols.

It is requested that your Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between University of Cooperative Extension and County of Tulare; and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement.

FINANCING: Funding for the University of California Cooperative Extension is included in the 2006/2007 Fiscal Year budget.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER AGENCIES: County Counsel has reviewed and prepared the Memorandum of Understanding.

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: Chairman's signature is required on the agreement.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "C. Brian Haddix", written over a horizontal line.

C. Brian Haddix
County Administrative Officer

Cc: Jerry Messinger, Auditor/Controller
Kathleen Bales-Lange, County Counsel
Jim Sullins, County Director

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING)
BETWEEN UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA)
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AND COUNTY)
OF TULARE.)

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

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

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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