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Information Technology Department COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: March 23, 2010

Public Hearing Required Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk Published Notice Required Advertised Published Notice Meet & Confer Required Electronic file(s) has been sent Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached Personnel Resolution attached Resolution, Ordinance or Agreeme Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)) Yes 🔲	No 🗌	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □	line	for
CONTACT PERSON: Peg L Yeates	PHONE: 6	36-4806				

SUBJECT:

Purchase and implementation of wireless office capability for Health and Human Services Agency.

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- Approve the Fixed Asset purchase of a wireless controller not to exceed \$7,794 to provide connection of Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) offices to the county backbone, subject to the approval by California Health and Human Services Agency Office of Systems Integration (OSI) of the Advanced Planning Document (APD).;
- 2. Approve the purchases of software, and hardware not to exceed \$5,756 to provide connection of HHSA offices to the county backbone, subject to the approval by California Health and Human Services Agency Office of Systems Integration (OSI) of the Advanced Planning Document (APD).
- 3. Approve the necessary budget adjustments per the attached AUD 308 (4/5ths vote required).

SUMMARY:

Currently when HHSA needs to set up an emergency office to care for the constituents of Tulare County it is difficult to handle this situation electronically. At present they must contact several vendors and departments HHSA relies on its computer systems in most emergency situations and access to them is required.

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Also, whenever staff needs to work from home on a county laptop they must currently use a number of methods due to security for login. For those whom are non technical this can pose a problem.

Therefore, to provide simple and efficient remote access for both of these events Information Technology (IT) is recommending the use of a CISCO device that allows the use of the network wirelessly in a safe environment for multiple people or single individuals. It is also a simpler set up than the current Virtual Private Network (VPN) set up for single remote users.

The wireless controller will allow us to set up a remote office in an emergency where several people can login with just an Internet connection at the remote site. This project will pilot the equipment in a test environment and then roll out the technology with documentation to HHSA as requested.

The goal of this project is to provide improved access for remote make-shift offices and easier access for those who need single access at home. In order to meet this goal, the objectives of the project are to implement:

- Additional wireless access for remote office use using the office extension product
- More efficient access for those who need to access the County network from home
- Ability to provide additional wireless access to HHSA

The following are a list of benefits that will be realized by this project:

- HHSA would have more efficient set up of remote offices with multiple users
- Flexibility of deploying staff to remote locations and providing connection to systems without workstation configuration changes.
- A simplified method of connection for a single user.

The selected vendor(s) is a California Multiple Awards Schedules (CMAS) vendor. CMAS offers a wide variety of commodities, non-IT services, and information technology products and services at prices which have been assessed to be fair, reasonable, and competitive.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The state will provide the \$13,550 of the cost of the system, the revenue and expense will be budgeted in 001-142-4030 and 001-142-4032.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

This project contributes to the County strategic goal of improved organizational performance by allowing us to reliably provide more efficient response in emergencies.

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ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to proceed with the project. This would require HHSA to continue with its current method of set up of emergency services and access to County systems for individuals using the same methods as they are currently using.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

County Administrative Office Health and Human Services Agency

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Peg L Yeates/

Information Yechnology Director

Cc: Auditor/Controller County Counsel

County Administrative Office (2)

AUD 308 Budget Adjustment Form

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

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BY:	Deputy Clerk	
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