



**Health & Human Services
Agency
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

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AGENDA DATE: April 5, 2011

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Michelle Brown PHONE: 624-8000						

SUBJECT: Approve the operation of a Tulare County vehicle by a State of California employee.

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:
Approve a specified State of California employee to operate a County of Tulare vehicle, while providing case investigations for Public Health within and for Tulare County.

SUMMARY:
The Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency wishes to provide the State Communicable Disease Investigator (CDI) a County vehicle in order to share the workload of our Public Health Unit, and accomplish our shared goals.
The California State Department of Public Health, Sexually Transmitted Diseases Control Branch, uses a multidisciplinary approach (which includes County staff) and pursues the following intervention strategies: surveillance and assessment; health education, awareness and promotion; behavioral interventions, specifically risk reduction counseling; screening to identify asymptomatic individuals; diagnostic testing to identify symptomatic individuals; timely treatment of infected individuals to interrupt disease transmission in the community and prevention complications in the individual; and partner services to assure timely treatment of contacts through partner notification via field investigation or the internet and expedited partner

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therapy. The State employee assigned to this area works closely with Tulare County Staff. If the field work were not done by State staff, it would necessarily have to be picked up by County staff. The use of the car, and the close coordination of the two programs is both efficient and effective in promoting program goals.

It has been confirmed that the CDI possesses a valid California driver's license and a satisfactory driving record. The County of Tulare's insurance coverage will apply.

Through the Board's approval of this request, the partnering of Tulare County with the Communicable Disease Investigator to enhance and expedite interventions will reduce the number of future infections, thus decreasing the funds spent on services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The CDPH STDCB pays for the salary, benefits, and mobile communication for the Communicable Disease Investigator. The County pays for office space and the vehicle costs of the County vehicle. The costs are covered by realignment. No Net County Cost.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life Initiative that encourages innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk adults, youth and children in state and federally mandated programs. This award increases the ability to fulfill that obligation.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose to take no action. This action is not recommended, as this would put the County at a higher risk. If the County did not supply the CDI with a County vehicle, the CDPH STDCB could decide not to provide a CDI for Tulare County. Without the CDI the prevention and control efforts of the sexually transmitted diseases within Tulare County would be reduced causing increase in the number of cases and an increase to the complications associated with sexually transmitted diseases.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

Tulare County Motor Pool.
Tulare County Risk Management.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

John M. Davis
Agency Director

Cc: Auditor/Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (3)

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

IN THE MATTER OF:)
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County vehicle by a State of California)
employee.

RESOLUTION NO. _____
AGREEMENT NO. _____

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: JEAN M. ROUSSEAU
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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