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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: August 8, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Chris de Nijs, Agricultural Commissioner**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving a revenue contract, Cooperative Agreement No. 23-0297-000-SA, with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to reimburse the Nevada County Agricultural Commissioner for work performed in controlling noxious and invasive weeds. Total revenue amount not to exceed \$42,421.00 for the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution.

FUNDING: This is a revenue contract for the Agricultural Dept. budget for FY 2023/24 and FY 2024/25. This revenue is included the FY 2023/24 Department budget. This agreement will not result in any new positions being added to the Department.

BACKGROUND: The Nevada County Agricultural Commissioner's Office has a long-standing history of controlling noxious and invasive weeds throughout Nevada County. Targeted weed species are limited to those defined within the CA Code of Regulations, with special focus on weed species that are listed on the Nevada-Placer Weed Management Area's Priority Invasive Plant List.

As part of this Cooperative Agreement, Ag Dept staff will map and treat sites as appropriate utilizing an Integrated Pest Management approach that will focus on long-term prevention and control, correct pest identification, while using combined management practices such as mechanical and physical controls. Herbicides will only be used when needed and will be selected and applied in a way that will minimize harm to people and the environment. Herbicides will be used by properly trained staff and applied in accordance with specific local conditions and those uses allowed by law. This agreement will provide reimbursement for the work performed as previously stated.

The Agricultural Commissioner will file a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption document with the County of Nevada County Clerk-Recorder within the required timeframe. The Board of Supervisors approval of this resolution is pursuant to the CEQA document attached to the resolution.

Item Initiated and Approved by: **Chris de Nijs, Agricultural Commissioner**

Submittal Date: July 24, 2023

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