



Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Matt Slattengren

Date: February 12, 2019

Subject: MOU Seed Subvention 18-sd07

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Agricultural Commissioner, or designee, to execute a Memorandum of Understanding 18-sd07 Seed Subvention Fiscal Year 2018/19 with the California Department of Food and Agriculture, for an amount not to exceed \$100 to enforce California seed marketing and labeling law requirements, for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This MOU will pay the Contra Costa County Agriculture/Weights & Measures Department \$100 for services. There is no cost share requirement and the revenue has been anticipated in the departmental FY 18/19 budget. There is no county match of funds required nor grant money involved.

BACKGROUND:

The goal of seed law enforcement (Section 52288, California Food and Agriculture Code) is to protect seed consumers, including vegetable and field crop growers, as well as urban landscapers. Poor quality seeds can cost farmers and home gardeners considerable amounts of time, money and resources, by way of reduced yields, poor crop quality, contamination

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD

ADMINISTRATOR

COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **02/12/2019** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor

Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor

Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor

Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor

Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: February 12, 2019

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

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by weeds or other unwanted species. By enforcing the California Seed Law regarding marketing and labeling, the Department is able to ensure that consumers receive the desired product and that there is a supportive legal action for those who are wronged.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

A negative action would mean loss of revenue to the Department for a mandated program.