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County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Matt Slattengren

Date: April 16, 2019

Subject: APHIS - Wildlife Services 19-73-06-0251-RA

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Agricultural Commissioner, or designee, to execute Agreement 19-73-06-0251-RA with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for an amount not to exceed \$43,089 to receive wildlife damage management services for the period July 1, 2019 through June 31, 2020.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This agreement is funded with State Unclaimed Gas Tax revenue (60%) and County General Fund (40%).

**BACKGROUND:**

The USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) is a Federal agency with a broad mission, which includes carrying out wildlife damage management activities. The USDA APHIS Wildlife Services (WS) maintains an effective Integrated Wildlife Damage Management (IWDM) program to resolve conflicts with wildlife throughout the County. APHIS-WS' overall goal is to maintain a biologically sound IWDM program to assist property owners, businesses, private citizens, and governmental agencies in resolving

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COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/16/2019** ☒ 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

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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: April 16, 2019

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

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

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wildlife damage problems and conduct activities in accordance with applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Under this agreement, assistance the USDA will provide the County may include (1) technical assistance through demonstration and instruction of wildlife damage prevention and/or control techniques; (2) predator identification and removal when livestock, crop or natural resource damage is verified; (3) nuisance wildlife technical assistance including removal, if necessary, when property damage is identified; and, (4) removal of wildlife displaying aggressive behavior or causing actual injury to County residents.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

A negative action will restrict the Department in providing wildlife damage management and taking corrective actions on existing wildlife damage problems for the residents of the County.