Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Matt Slattengren, Ag Commissioner/Weights & Measures Director

Date: October 25, 2022

Subject: Phytophtora Ramorum Quarantine Sudden Oak Death Program

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Agricultural Commissioner, or designee, to execute a contract with the California Department of Food and Agriculture to reimburse the County in an amount not to exceed \$81,276 for regulatory compliance and enforcement activities related to the Sudden Oak Death Program for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This agreement will reimburse the County in an amount not to exceed \$81,276 for conducting regulatory compliance activities related to Sudden Oak Death on behalf of the California Department of Food and Agriculture. The agreement is fully funded by CDFA. There is no County match of funds. (100% State funds)

## **BACKGROUND:**

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) is the lead agency for the multi-agency task force, known as the California Oak Mortality Task Force (COMTF), that was formed to develop a coordinated effort to

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▼ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY     ADMINISTRATOR			RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE
Action of Board On: 10/25/2022 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER			
Clerks Notes:			
VOTE OF SUPERVISORS			
AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor			
	Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  I hereby certify that this is a true a of Supervisors on the date shown.		d correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board
	Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor	Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors	
	Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor		
	Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	By: June McHuen, Deputy	

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### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

address Phytophthora Ramorum (sudden oak death). Due to CDFA's responsibility under the COMTF and its statutory authority to establish quarantines, CDFA must enter into cooperative agreements with impacted counties. The role of the Agricultural Department is to issue compliance agreements and do related work that assures compliance by affected businesses, including plant nurseries, firewood dealers, tree services, green waste and compost facilities, to stop the spread of sudden oak death to non-infested areas of the State and County and to foreign countries.

# **CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

Failure to accept the agreement will result in the Agriculture Department not being reimbursed by CDFA for regulatory enforcement activities related to the Sudden Oak Death Program as budgeted.