

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Agricultural Commissioner's Office

SUBMITTAL DATE:
January 26, 2007

SUBJECT: USDA Cooperative Agreement No. 07-8500-0652-CA Providing for Coachella Valley Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter Treatments.

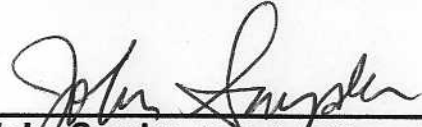
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve USDA Cooperative Agreement No.07-8500-0652-CA in the amount of \$850,000; and
2. Authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement.

BACKGROUND: Agricultural production in the Coachella Valley contributes an estimated \$1.4 billion to the local and regional economy. Among the rich and varied assortment of agricultural commodities produced in the Coachella Valley, table grapes alone represent approximately 24% of this economic contribution, with about 10,000 planted acres.

Unfortunately, Pierce's Disease, a bacterial disease that is fatal to grapevines, has been detected on a limited basis in Coachella Valley vineyards. The presence of Pierce's Disease, in combination with the growing incidence of an efficient insect vector called the Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter, present a serious threat to the continued viability of table grape farming in Riverside County.

This agreement provides \$850,000 to reimburse participating pest control operators and growers for costs associated with the treatment of specific, high risk citrus groves. The Agricultural Commissioner will administer the reimbursements via a temporary "pass through" account established with the assistance of the Auditor Controller's Office.


John Snyder, Agricultural Commissioner
Sealer of Weights and Measures

**FINANCIAL
DATA**

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$0	In Current Year Budget:	No
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$0	Budget Adjustment:	No
Annual Net County Cost:	\$0	For Fiscal Year:	2006/07

SOURCE OF FUNDS: United States Department of Agriculture

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 ☐

Requires 4/5 Vote ☐

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: **APPROVE**

County Executive Office Signature



Dep't
Recomm.:
Per Exec.
Ofc.:

Consent ☐ Policy ☒

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District: IV

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ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

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