RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2016-307

MEETING: June 21, 2016

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Cathi Boze, Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer

RE: USFS Agreement No.16--0365-SF - Invasive Noxious Weed Control & Eradication Project

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve the Two-Year State and Private Forestry Grant Agreement No. 16-0365-SF with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for the 2016 - 2018 Mariposa County Invasive Noxious Weed Control and Eradication Projects; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Agreement.

This State and Private Forestry grant agreement continues work on the control and eradication of yellow starthistle and tocalote in the Merced River Canyon as well as the survey and eradication of non-native A- and B-rated invasive weed species (diffuse and spotted knapweed, rush skeleton weed, Dalmatian toadflax, and oblong spurge) and C-rated weeds such as French broom and stinkwort in the county.

Grant Agreement #16-0365-SF for the implementation of the invasive noxious weed control and eradication projects with CDFA and runs from 7/01/16 - 6/30/18 in the amount of $13,244. It is funded under a United States Forest Service grant and requires a 75:25 non-Federal in-kind match at the time of invoicing.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Previous State and Private Forestry grant agreements for invasive noxious weed control projects in the county such as the Arundo Control and Eradication Project have been approved and implemented in the past.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If the grant agreement is not approved, the project will not be implemented.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Revenue and expenditures are included in the FY 2016/2017 Agricultural Commissioner budget in the amount of $13,244 for the grant.

ATTACHMENTS:
USFS Agreement- 16-0365-SF -6-3-16(PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Mary Hodson
Mary Hodson, CAO 6/16/2016

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Carrier