RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2018-120

MEETING: March 27, 2018
TO: The Board of Supervisors
FROM: Dallin Kimble, County Administrative Officer
RE: Approve Third Amendment to Blue Ridge Tree Mortality Contract

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a Third Amendment to the Blue Ridge Services, Inc. Agreement for Tree Mortality Operations Management Services to Provide an Additional $2,940,000 to Acknowledge a Cal Fire Grant and Extending the Contract Term to February 28, 2020; Approve Budget Action Increasing Revenue and Appropriations in the Current Fiscal Year ($680,000); and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Amendment.

CAL FIRE has notified the County of its intention to award $798,000 for county tree mortality mitigation efforts. The state controller’s office and office of emergency services have simultaneously agreed that these funds may be used, contrary to normal procedure, as matching funds within the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) program. CAL FIRE and CDAA funds will allow the County to complete approximately $3.4 million of tree mortality mitigation work in addition to the $560,000 possible through County funds, donated hours from Blue Ridge Services, Inc., and associated CDAA reimbursements.

CAL FIRE grant funds require expenditure by the end of December 2019. As a result of these developments, staff recommends this third amendment to extend the project term through the end of February 2020 and add $2,940,000 for a new not-to-exceed amount of $3.5 million. A fourth amendment is anticipated near the end of the project when exact amounts of donated hours and eligible reimbursements can be accurately calculated.

Staff is also recommending a budget action that would allocate an additional $680,000 in the Tree Mortality Budget (Fund 448) for use in the current fiscal year. This budget action will allow some of the dollars received to go toward priority projects without further delay.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board of Supervisors declared a State of Emergency related to tree mortality with Resolution 2015-446 and has regularly renewed this action.

On July 19, 2016, the Board directed staff to prepare an RFQ for a Tree Mortality
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Operations Manager, which was approved with Resolution 16-500 on September 20, 2016.

On December 20, 2016, the Board approved the selection of Blue Ridge Services, Inc., and directed staff to draft an agreement. The resulting agreement was approved on February 7, 2017, and is attached to this item.

The first amendment to the agreement was approved with Resolution 2017-073 on February 21, 2017. This amendment expanded the agreement from $160,000 to $320,000.

The second amendment to the agreement was approved with Resolution 2017-704 on October 17, 2017. This amendment expanded the agreement from $320,000 to $560,000.

**ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**
Do not approve the amendment. Blue Ridge Services, Inc. will have fewer funds to use for tree mortality mitigation efforts.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**
The amended amount includes an additional amount of $2,940,000 to account for Cal Fire grant funding and reimbursements from Cal OES. No additional general funds are required.

**ATTACHMENTS:**
Blue Ridge Services Third Amendment  (DOCX)
Second Amendment    (PDF)
2017.02.21 Contract Amendment    (DOCX)
FY17 Blue Ridge Services Agreement (DOCX)
Graph County TM Cash Flow Final Draft v6 3.5.18(PDF)
Tree Mortality Budget Action Form    (PDF)

**RESULT:** ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
**MOVED:** Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
**SECONDER:** Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
**AYES:** Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey
# BUDGET ACTION FORM

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### TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS

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TOTALS: $0 $0

### ACTION REQUESTED:
- [X] Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the county budget, or in any one fund of the budget, or appropriating Reserve for Contingencies;
- Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriations from one budget to another, or between categories within a budget unit;

### JUSTIFICATION:

DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE: [Signature]

DATE: 4/11/2018

APPROVED BY RES NO. 17-120 CLERK: [Signature]

DATE: 4/12/18

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