

## Calaveras County BOS Meeting - 01.09.24

### Staff Announcements

- **Lisa Medina - Environmental Management Agency Director** - In addition to our cat and kitty foster program, I am happy to announce we now have a dog and puppy foster program too. Grateful for all our volunteers. Fostering will provide the animals with a safe, healthy, nurturing time, socialization, any medical needs necessary for the dogs and homeless dogs.
- **Kathy Gallino - Economic and Community Development Director** - next week on Wednesday, 01.17.24, 10 a.m. to noon, first drop in business center, working with small businesses thinking about start-ups or expansions or need help with financing.
- **Rick DiBasilio - Sheriff** - re search and rescue incident - the family members were very happy with the contact we had with them and wanted to thank the county. The following are the stats per the request of the BOS: 8 day search, 17 agencies, 137 search teams, 494 total searchers, 34 dogs, 3,987 searchers = over \$85,000 if not done through volunteer rescue personnel, 276 hours - \$6,000, air support - 3 agencies, national guard, US Army, CHP; 40 air search hours - \$100,000 cost; 24 hour National Guard and US Army Blackhawk \$3,016 per hour if rented, cop had 16 hours, donated lunches by Moose Lodge in Arnold - 494 lunches = \$3,000; Foothill Sanitary - two portable restrooms; CCSO OT hours 1,500 = \$77,000; hotel rooms - 45; 1,080 purchases for food and fuel. Total cost to County \$93,087.01 (was the actual cost to the County). Cost not paid by Calaveras - \$195,136 - \$288,217.17 if we had to pay for everything.
- **Supervisors** thanked Sheriff for all their work and having a meeting how we can add signage to the Rim Trail to avoid this from happening in the future. They were sorry it didn't end up being a rescue but appreciate all the Sheriff and other agencies did in this matter.
- **Rick DiBasilio - Sheriff** - going to have an ag pass training session soon which entails emergency livestock path which was created after all the issues with the Butte fire. Will provide uniform way for emergency workers re emergencies with animals. The emergency ranch act which is now required in California. If a road is closed due to fire, or water lines across the road, it is not a guarantee you will get in. In January 2024, in partnership with CalFire, will begin doing training. I don't have date of classes yet but they are coming up quick. Wanted BOS and the public to know we are working on this and have been even before it was mandated by the state.
- **Rachelle Whiting - Undersheriff** - First training date is January 11, 2024 at HQ in San Andreas from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. We have two more dates for the training as well, January 27 and February 21. Any ranch owners interested, you need to come attend.

### General Public Comment

- **Terry McBride** - Read information re Declaration of Independence re new State of California.
- **Jenny Gonzales - D4** - our policies and procedures re animals barking is an issue. My neighbors are afraid of this guy who owns the dog. I have no problem dealing with him. The law/code needs to be changed. I shouldn't be subject to this dog constantly barking. I am told I have to keep filling out forms and have my neighbors fill out forms as well. I have texted and he is not doing anything. Please give me ideas on what I can do. This is inconsiderate and disrespectful.
- **Bonnie Newman - Double Springs resident** - we have suffered a lot of indignities over the years - hotel being burnt down, speed limit signs removed and never reinstalled, latest one is we were D5, then D1, and no one told us we are being thrown in D2. Last summer, there was a broken down RV parked about 3-4 months, last week it showed up again. It was gone yesterday. Sheriff told me people can live in RVs and there is nothing they can do. Can the BOS introduce an ordinance so folks don't have to live with junk around them.

### Consent Agenda

**2. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7706) Authorize allocations to the nine fire districts for water apparatus maintenance and repair in the amount of \$140,000.**

**3. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7710) Authorize the Board Chair to sign a Letter of Opposition to AB 702 - Local Government Financing: Juvenile Justice.**

**4. Ordinance - Building (ID # 7602) By a 4/5 Affirmative Vote, adopt an Uncodified Ordinance Reducing the Cannabis Cultivation Tax Rates Specified in Section 3.56.050(B) (1)-(3) By 60% on a Temporary Basis as Authorized by Section 3.56.070; Authorize Summary Publication.**

**5. Action Item - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (ID # 7670) Appointment of applicants to serve on various Committees, Commissions, Advisory Boards and County Service Areas.**

**6. Agreement - Health and Human Services Agency (ID # 7715) Authorize the Board Chair to sign an Agreement with Behavioral Health Center (BHC) Sierra Vista Hospital, Inc. for psychiatric inpatient hospital services in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the period of July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025.**

**7. Agreement - Information Technology (ID # 7635) 1) Approve the attached quote for Microsoft Enterprise Agreement (EA) with CDW-G in the amount of \$708,394 for a three-year period from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026 and enter into EA, 2) Authorize payment by County Executive Officer or designee for the first year of the agreement for \$236,131, and 3) Authorize payments of the same amount for Fiscal Years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026, and authorize the annual true-up costs for increases, provided there are adequate appropriations in the Information Technology Budget.**

**8. Action Item - Sheriff (ID # 7708) Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue blanket Purchase Orders (PO) to Dooley Enterprises, Inc. and Axon Enterprises, Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00) each for the acquisition of law enforcement ammunition and taser equipment, respectively, during current Fiscal Year 2023-2024.**

**9. Agreement - Sheriff (ID # 7709) Approve and authorize the Board Chair to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Justice Systems Corporation for preventive maintenance services to the Calaveras County Sheriff's Office buildings' Detention Controls and Video Surveillance Subsystems in the not-to-exceed amount of \$165,837 during a three-year term from December 01, 2023, through November 30, 2026.**

- Supervisor Folendorf removed item #8.

- Guy Meyers requested to remove item #8.

**Motion to approve consent items 2 - 9 with the exception of 8 - passed 5 - 0.**

### **Item #8**

- **Guy Meyers - re item #8** - not against funding for these items but thinks you can get a better bang for your buck by not using two companies. The Daily Enterprise is not a big distributor and you should allot it but without allotting it to a specific company. Should send a couple officers to attend the ammo convention that is coming up in a couple weeks.

- Rachele Whiting - Undersheriff - appreciates Guy's comments. We do need to do product comparison and we do that and have our staff attend POST training and trade shows and collaboration with firearm instructors. This item does not restrict us to use this company solely. This just doesn't require us to come back each time we make a purchase. Not asking for additional funding because this amount was already budgeted previously and approved. If we determine there is a vendor that is more fiscally responsible we will do business with them.

**Motion to approve consent item 8 - passed 5 - 0.**

### **Regular Agenda**

#### **10. Action Item - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (ID # 7667) Election of the 2024 Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors.**

- **Supervisor Stopper** - nominates Supervisor Garamendi for Chair and Supervisor Huberty for Vice Chair.

### **Public Comment**

- **Terry McBride** - whoever is head of this, please remember your oath to the constitution. You have the power to say no to unconstitutional edicts. It was unconstitutional to make everyone social distance.

**Motion to approve Chair and Vice-Chair - passed 5 - 0.**

**Supervisor Garamendi took over the meeting as the new Chair.**

#### **11. Action Item - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (ID # 7668) Adopt the 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting calendar.**

- **BOS Clerk** - All meetings will be the second and fourth Tuesday of the month and the December meeting will be the 10th.

### **Public Comment**

- **Female** - why don't you have any meetings at night. Other counties do this and residents would like to address issues but can't because they have to work.
- **Supervisor Stopper** - state law says they have to be on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m but special meetings can be in the evening.

**Motion to approve action item - Passed - 5 - 0.**

#### **12. Action Item - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (ID # 7669) Assign members of the Board of Supervisors to various committees for calendar year 2024.**

- **LAFTCO committee** - Supervisor Tofanelli will take over, Chair Garamendi will be alternate. Environmental Service JPA - would like second alternate designee go to Jen Ellis per Supervisor Folendorf. Strategic Planning and Vice Committee - will add Supervisor Huberty as an alternate. Supervisor Folendorf and Chair Garamendi will remain Chair and Vice-Chair.

### **Public Comment**

- **None**

**Motion to approve action item - Passed - 5 - 0.**

#### **13. Informational Item - Economic & Community Development (ID # 7663) Receive a presentation from Tilson Technology on the draft countywide broadband strategic plan.**

- **Kathy Gallino - Director of Economic & Community Development** - Kathy introduced Shelly Westall from Tilson Technology. Barbara Hayes from RCRC was on via the phone, Stan

Moore - IT Officer was on via the phone. This document was done via a grant so there was no cost to the county for this.

- **Shelly Westall - power point presentation presented. Please review for detailed information.**
- **Purpose of Today's Presentation:** To introduce you to a single document that includes everything local government may need to know to actively engage in broadband planning and deployment within the County.
- **Outreach and Engagement:** Tilson Technologies targeted specific groups to gather information and engagement in development of the study: Businesses; Internet Service Providers; Community Anchor Institutions. Did surveys in June via email. Analysis of responses is in this document.
- **The Broadband Planning and Feasibility Study:** Executive Summary; Industry overview, Broadband Benefits and Challenges; Current and Future needs Assessments; Analysis of Current Broadband Market and Expansion Strategies; Asset Inventory and Gap Analysis; Broadband Funding Strategies; Fostering a Healthy Broadband Deployment Environment; Digital Inclusion Considerations and Strategies; What is a Smart Community; Recommendations and Next Steps.
- **What is a SMART Community:** Connected communities that digitally leverage innovative technologies, analytics, and data to find new ways to solve county-wide challenges and improve the quality of life for all residents.
- **Next Step:** The final study will be delivered in the first quarter of 2024.
- **Barbara Hayes - Chief Economic Development Officer at RCRC** - presentation was meant to be an introduction in addition to the supporting documents provided to the BOS in July 2021, SB156 was passed and provided historical level of fundings for broadband. In September, we wrote a grant for these studies.

#### **Public Comment**

- None

**Informational Item Only - Passed - 5 - 0.**

**14. Action Item - OES (ID # 7714) Authorize the Board Chair to sign the attached letter per the request of the Calaveras County Resource Conservation District and their partners, in support of the project entitled San Andreas East Fuelbreak.**

- **Mike Massone - OES Director** - requesting BOS to approve this request.
- **Female ? Dillashaw** - protecting homes, businesses and only hospital in the county. Recommends approval of this request.

#### **Public Comment**

- None

**Motion to approve action item - Passed - 5 - 0.**

**15. Action Item - Human Resources (ID # 7713) Introduce an ordinance repealing the portion of Ordinance 2251 codified as County Code Section 2.64.575, the County Alcohol/ Drug Abuse Policy, waive first reading, and authorize summary publication.**

- **Judy Hawkins - HR Resource and Risk Management Director** - requesting we pull this policy out of the personnel code so it allows us to update policy more timely. Will still be brought forth to the BOS. AB2188 - we have to have in our policy we will not discriminate against off-duty cannabis use. This is our non-DOT policy. We need to update policy accordingly. Putting in more clarification regarding reasonable suspicion testing. Would like to pull out of ordinance and bring back new policy by resolution. Has discussed this with all labor unions and they are in agreement with the change.

- **Supervisor Tofanelli** - this policy is within an ordinance that was adopted and now just making it a policy. Is there a difference. **Sarah Edwards - County Counsel** - it is a procedural change and makes it easier to make changes/amendments but it still comes back to the BOS. Typically, these are board adopted policies and not ordinances. This is a better way procedurally to handle this matter. This is the first reading repealing the ordinance, will come back for a second reading along with the new policy. So it will take a bit of time but there will be no gap.

### Public Comment

- None

**Motion to approve action item - Passed - 5 - 0.**

### **16. Informational Item - Agriculture (ID # 7656) Receive an informational presentation on current projects and programs by the University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE).**

- **Brian Oneto - Farm Advisor - power point presentation presented. Please review for detailed information.**
- **2023 Farm Advisor Research & Program Update - Scott Oneto, Farm Advisor, sronero@ucanr.edu, 209.223.6834.**
- **Who Are We** - Network of University researchers that bring practice, trusted research-based answers to the local community. County based offices. Research 7 Extension Centers. Affiliated Campuses. Made possible through collaboration with county government.
- **Annual Rangeland Forage Production Study** - Livestock is the highest valued agricultural commodity in the county. Annual forage production varies greatly. Statewide effort to track annual forage production throughout California. Data is used by USDA Farm Service Agency for Disaster Assistance programs which provides compensation to producers who have suffered grazing losses due to drought or fire. Scientific approach validates the variation in annual range production and gives agency staff accurate data for making disaster declaration.
- **Using Remote Sensing For Estimating Forage Production** - Use state of the art satellites and modeling to estimate forage production across the state real-time. Data will be implemented in decision support tools to help ranchers better anticipate weather-driven changes in forage production and optimize decisions on proactive practices, such as stocking conservatively, resting pasture, and incorporating yearling cattle. Agencies can accurately access loss of forage due to drought, fire, or other natural causes.
- **Beyond Barbed Wire: How Virtual Fencing Could Turn The Old West Into a New Frontier.** Fencing is a costly part of doing business for the livestock industry.
- **Immediate Challenges:** California is diverse. Every year miles of fencing are lost to disasters. Using livestock to target weeds or other vegetation can be a challenge due to a lack of infrastructure.
- **Virtual Fencing (VF)** - VF technology uses collars and GPS to create an invisible pasture to contain livestock. Pastures are delineated on a user interface. Animals are fitted with collars that transmit data to/from the user interface. System keeps precise location of animals and tracks movement.
- **Potential Applications** - Weed control: Target palatable weeds to improve the landscape. Fuel reduction - Target high fuel loads to reduce wildfire risk. Reforestation - Post-fire grazing of emerging brush to promote new tree growth. Breeding management - Control animal movement for desired breeding outcomes. Exclusion - protect both environmentally and culturally sensitive sites. Reduced infrastructure costs - Decrease need to build and maintain physical fences.
- **Yellow Starthistle Rosette Weevil** - First collected in Turkey in 1984. For the past 20+ years it has been studied in quarantine.

- **Local Release** - Approved for release in the US in September 2019. First release in North America was in Solano, CA in 2020. Second release was April 2021 in El Dorado County. Currently, conducting yearly monitoring for attack rate and survival.
- Examine the Potential Benefits of Dusting Rangelands with Compost for Weed Suppression.
- **Benefits of Compost** - Adds organic matter. Provides essential nutrients. Increases nutrient exchange. Helps buffer pH. Protects beneficial microorganisms. Breaks down clay and silt soils. Builds porosity. Increases water infiltration. Increases water holding capacity. Increased plant growth. Increases soil carbon.
- **Site Selection** - 5 ranches across region; different soil types; similar grazing management; sites with noxious weeds - yellow star thistle, medusa head, barbed goat grass. Treatments - compost, seeded with clover cover crop, compost & seeded with clover mix, no treatment (control).
- **Data Collection/Analysis** - slides too small to read.
- **Oblong Spurge** - Introduced in early 1900s from Turkey and Southeast Europe as an ornamental. Forms dense strands and outcompetes native plants. Plant parts contain a toxic milky sap that can irritate skin and cause eye injury. Can irritate skin and internal soft tissue of livestock when ingested.
- **Applied research on oblong spurge plant** - Conducted a trial in Pioneer, CA. Tested 8 herbicides at multiple rates. Utilized 2 application techniques. Plots measure 10' 20', 4 reps, CRBD. Developed some chemical control strategies for this plant.
- **Low volume directed spray "drizzle"** - Applied at 2 gallons of spray solution per acre. A standard foliar application that can range from 50-100 gallons of spray solution per acre. Advantages of Drizzle: reduced weight, reduced time to treat, minimize drift, increased accuracy, inroad versatility increased safety.
- **Northern California is suddenly awash in locally grown black truffles** - a fungus that grows underground. Examining the effects of soil amendments, soil water potential, and soil temperature on truffle (*Tuber melanosporum*) production in the Sierra Nevada. Research questions: Does the addition of soil amendments influence truffle production/ Does shading the soil effect brule initiation and truffle production? Does soil temperature impact truffle production? Does water soil potential impact truffle production?
- I do several writings in various publications and workshops in the region.
- **Supervisor Stopper** - amazed by your knowledge and all you do. Composting of land is very good.
- **Chair Garamendi** - thank you for all the work you do for our County. Have you done any other research re drought issues. **Brian Oneto** - yes, we are starting to do other research re different crop new to the region or more suitable for drought conditions. Will start researching this more in the next year or so.
- Please check out our website re information provided today and other topics, how to videos, etc.

#### **Public Comment**

- **Female ?** - collars - are you doing studies on the Angus cows. I don't see how that would work for them. I have a quarter horse that it would never work on. I would like to find out and read about the research.

#### **Informational Item Only - Passed - 5 - 0.**

#### **17. Informational Item - Agriculture (ID # 7707) Receive an informational presentation on department programs and funding by the Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures.**

- **Jesse Fowler - Agriculture Commissioner Director of Weights & Measures - power point presentation presented. Please review for detailed information.**
- An overview of the County Agricultural Commissioner and Sealer System.

- Since 1881, Horticultural Commissioners, now Agricultural Commissioners, are a system unique to California. In 1915, the state's legislature established that each county shall have a Sealer of Weight and Measures. The statewide Association of Agricultural Commissioners was established in 1922 and became the present day California Agricultural Commissioners and Sealers Association (CACASA) in 1988.
- **The California System:** We stand for a thriving agricultural community, healthy residents, and consumer confidence in the weight, quantity and price of things you purchase locally.
- The core agriculture/weight and measures programs are modified into statutes and regulations, with enforcement authority mainly falling under: California Food & Agricultural Code (FAC), California Code of Regulations (CCR), California Business & Professions Code (BPC).
- FAC Section 2001 - There is in each county government the county department of agriculture. FAC Section 2002 - The county department of agriculture is under the control of the county agricultural commissioner. FAC Section 2121 - the commissioner shall be appointed by the board of supervisors of the county.
- FAC Section 2122 - The term of office of the Commissioner shall be four years from and after his/her appointment and until his/her successor is appointed. FAC Section 2123 - Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a person shall not be appointed to the office of commissioner or deputy commissioner unless he or she has a license issued by the director. The license of any qualified incumbent shall be renewed without further examination.
- **Commissions and Committees: Ex-Officio Member/Liaison** - Agricultural Advisory Committee; Fish and Game Commission; Hardwood Advisory Committee.
- **Commissions and Committees: Liaison/County Point of Contact:** Calaveras County Cattlemen's Association, Calaveras County Farm Bureau, Calaveras County Resource Conservation District, Calaveras Winegrape Alliance.
- **Our Programs** - Pest Exclusion, Pest Detection, Pest Eradication, Pest Management, Pesticide Use Enforcement, Nursery Inspection, Seed Inspection, Fruit, Nut and Vegetable, Direct Marketing, Egg Standardization, Apiary (Honeybees), Crop Report, Williamson Act, Weights and Measures, Wildlife Services.
- **Pest Prevention** - Our insect trapping and plant inspection programs prevent the introduction or spread of new, exotic and destructive pests.
- **Pest Exclusion** - Boarder Inspection Points - Keeping non-native, invasive pests injurious to agriculture, landscaping ornamentals, and natural resources out of Calaveras County and California through exclusion activities.
- **Pest Exclusion** - FY 23/24 contract through CDFA for \$22,456 to inspect high risk shipments; 39 incoming nursery stock (2022); 274 distribution center inspection (2022).
- **Pest Detection** - In collaboration with CDFA and USDA, protect local agriculture, natural resources, landscapes. Have four different traps we place around the county to attract the species we do not want in our county.
- Estimated economic loss seen from invasive pests introduced in California is \$3 billion per year. Estimated potential loss from invasive fruit flies alone is \$20 billion per year (CDFA).
- **Pest Detection** - Glassy winged sharpshooter (GWSS) CDFA FY 23/24 contract \$20,345. Contract pass through CDFA for FY 22/23 was \$38,860 for exotic fruit flies, Japanese beetle and spongy moth trapping. Calaveras placed 504 insect traps, services insect traps 2,517 times.
- **Apiary** - incoming hives, registrations, bee checks, complaints. Omits dispersed per number of county registrations with CDFA. Dependent on number of hives coming into Calaveras County.
- **Pest Management** - We manage numerous programs to protect California from insect, disease, weed and vertebrate pests.
- **Pest Eradication and Management** - Invasive weed surveillance and eradication program. Grant with CDFA for \$41,421 (two year: FY 23-25). Central Sierra Partnership Against Weeds (CSPAW).

- **Nursery Regulation** - We ensure that all nursery stock produced or sold in California meets strict quality standards.
- **Nursery and Seed Inspections** - Material leaving the County, cleanliness and compliance, CDFA contract for \$500.
- **Food Quality Control** - We regulate organic growers, certified producers, farmer's markets and egg handlers to ensure compliance.
- **Direct Marketing** - Certified Producers - 44 certified; Farmer's Markets - 4 certified, 7 inspections; Roadside Vendors; CDFA contract for Farmer's Market inspections \$440.
- **Fruit, Nut and Vegetable Programs** - Standardization, Packing, Organic Program. CDFA Organics Programs FY 23/24 contract \$1,205. CDFA See inspection FY 23/24 contract \$100.
- **Crop Statistic - Annual Crop Livestock Report** - Gross Value for 2022: \$21,121,038. Gross Value for Cannabis 2022: \$20,449,900.
- **Crop Statistics** - Mandated by FAC Section 2279. Includes conducting surveys to determine if a natural disaster declaration should be made. Crop statistics provides a snapshot of agricultural size and need for institutional fund (includes banking, federal, research) and loans.
- **Pesticide Use Enforcement** - We ensure the safe use of pesticides through training, outreach, inspections, and investigations.
- **Pesticide Use Enforcement** - Permitting and use reporting; Complaints and investigations - results pesticide use in: agricultural settings; parks golf course, cemeteries; schools, structural landscape maintenance; industrial; Regulate and educate.
- **Pesticide Use Enforcement** - Monies mainly through Mill Tax disbursement and dependent on number of activities performed and permits. Funding (\$11,654 for FY 22/23) through Unclaimed Gas Tax (UGT) per FAC 224(a)"...Reimbursement shall be apportioned to the counties in relation to each county's expenditures..." \$90,000 Mill Tax received in April 2023 (state minimum).
- **Weights and Measures** - Any commercially used weighing, measuring, or counting devices. Ensures Consumer protection and a Fair and Equitable Marketplace.
- **Our Programs** - Resolve Complaints; Commodity Inspections; Price Verification; Scale Inspections; Petroleum; Weighmaster Program; Meter Inspections.
- **Weights and Measures** - Program funding is majority fee and penalty based. \$240 weigh master contract with DMS (CDFA). \$1,725 Petroleum Inspection contract with DMS (CDFA). MOU with Tuolumne County for \$9,600/year maximum (60 hours). MOU with Amador County for \$3,600/year maximum (24 hours).
- **Other Programs - Federal (USDA) Wildlife Trapper** - Point of contract and contract funding. We process phone inquiries from the public regarding interfacing issues with skunks, opossums, bears, mountain lions, fox, wild pigs, beavers, coyotes and raccoons and direct them to the Federal Wildlife trapper. **Williamson Act** - We work in conjunction with the Planning Department and Assessor's Department to process California Lead Conservation Act (generally known as the Williamson Act) applicational review annual reports, contact holders, and assist with lot line adjustments, disestablishments, etc.
- **Our Role in Cannabis** - Regulatory oversight of required Operator Identification Number. Worker Protection Standards (pesticide use enforcement). Perform pesticide use inspections. Perform headquarters inspection. Weighmaster Certification oversight. Device (scale) registration and testing. Quarterly invoiced reimbursement fro DPR depending on tasks performed. Received \$15,652 from DPR for FY 22/23.
- **Program Funding** - Contracts, Subventions, and General Fund.
- **Agriculture/Weights and Measures Department: Overall Funding and Budget** - FY 2023/24 Total Budget: Expense: \$954,204; Revenue: \$495,180; General Fund (GF) Draw: \$459,024. Of Note: Staffing: 72% of total budget expense (\$686,982). Wildlife Trapper services: 19% of GF Draw (\$86,719). Capital Assets (new truck): \$35,000.
- **Subvention Funding** - Unclaimed Gas Tax (UGT); Mill Tax.
- **Unclaimed Gas Tax** - per FAC 224(g) reimbursement of individual counties for agricultural programs is apportioned based on each county's expenditures in relation to the total amount

expended by all counties for the preceding fiscal year. UGT monies require an Annual Financial Statement (AFS) from each county.

- **AFS “Above the Line” Programs vs. Below** - Pest Exclusion; Pest Detection; Pest Eradication; Pest Management; Pesticide Use Enforcement; Nursery Inspection; Seed Inspection; Fruit, Nut and Vegetable; Direct Marketing; Egg Standardization; Apiary (Honeybees); Crop Report; Williamson Act; Weights and Measures; Wildlife Services; Other Misc. Programs. **Subvention Monies:** Unclaimed Gas Tax FY 2022/23 - \$166,158; Mill Tax Monies FY 2022/23 - \$90,000.
- **Funding: Contracts, Agreements, and Grants:** FY 23/24 Pest Detection - Nursery Stock Inspection. \$500; GWSS - \$20,345.38; Petroleum Inspections - \$1,725; Weighmaster Inspections - \$240; Farmer’s Market Inspections - \$440; Seeds - \$100; Organic - \$1,205; High Risk Pest Exclusion - \$22,456,31; Noxious Weeds (2 year contract) - \$41,421; Total - \$88,432.69.
- **Future Budgetary Items** - One additional FTE licensed staff. Aging vehicle fleet: Vehicle had to be unexpectantly surplusd in FY 23/24 due to mechanical and safety issues combined with age and high mileage. Two more vehicles are expected to need replacement in near future.
- Will post presentation to their website and it is a part of the BOS presentation today.

#### **Public Comment**

- **Gina ?** - thank you for your presentation and appreciate all I learned from it. Your education and knowledge is outstanding.
- **Sheryl McKeown-Harper - D2 candidate** - great presentation, very informative.

**Informational Item Only - Passed - 5 - 0.**

#### **Supervisor Announcements**

- **Supervisor Huberty** - Happy New Year.
- **Supervisor Garamendi** - look forward to working with everyone this year.
- **Supervisor Folendorf** - UC Extension - we lost our livestock advisor (promoted), next meeting is February 8th in Tuolumne County with the ranchers who have been contacted. COG - we did not get planning grant money for Copper Community Safe Route to School or first round of evacuation planning money. We will continue to apply for grants and opportunities. Calaveras County has not adopted the evacuation access needs assessment. Only 1 JPA member has adopted it. I hope we can bring this back to the board for adoption. Will meet again in February.
- **Supervisor Stopper** - Happy New Year.
- **Chair Tofanelli** - Had a great holiday season.