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BUDGET SUMMARY:	
Total Estimated Cost.....	\$3,334
Budgeted.....	\$3,334
New Funding.....	
Savings.....	
Other.....	
Total Funding Available.....	\$3,334
Change To Net County Cost.....	\$0

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost

No change. Sufficient appropriations for the purchase of the networking equipment are included in the Agency's FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget. The Agency's Recommended Budget will be adjusted during the addenda process to increase fixed asset appropriations and reduce Services & Supply appropriations by a corresponding amount.

Background

The Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is federally funded and regulated to provide supplemental food, referral services, and nutrition education for eligible women, infants and children under the age of five. The Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) administers the WIC program for El Dorado and Alpine counties and offers services at the main offices in Placerville and South Lake Tahoe. The WIC program also provides outreach services to four remote sites throughout El Dorado County, which include Pioneer Park Community Center in Somerset, Pollock Pines Community Church, Georgetown Community Center and White Rock Village Apartment in El Dorado Hills. Services at the remote sites are provided with the use of a travel kit, which consists of a laptop computer and a printer that connect to the county network through a dial-up analog router.

Reason for Recommendation

The current network equipment used by WIC for connectivity at remote sites is approximately ten years old and no longer provides a reliable connection. HHSA is planning to purchase two new routers to improve connectivity at the remote WIC sites. The router hardware has an estimated cost of \$1,667 each, or \$3,334 for two, and are categorized as fixed assets. It is necessary to purchase the equipment prior to the formal adoption of the FY 2013-14 County Budget as the funding for this purchase is one-time-only from the California Department of Public Health and is only available through September 30, 2013. On August 5, 2013, HHSA received approval from the California Department of Public Health for the purchase of the identified equipment.

Action(s) to be taken following Board approval

HHSA, Information Technologies and Purchasing Agent to complete the approved purchase.

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Concurrence

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