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Legislation Text

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Environmental Management Department recommending Resolution authorizing the submittal of an application to the State of California Department of Public Health Services to secure State funding for Emergency Mosquito Control and West Nile Virus Surveillance funding; and requesting ratification of the Deputy Director's signature on said application.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution **224-2007**.

BUDGET SUMMARY:		
Total Estimated Cost		\$
Funding		
Budgeted	\$	
New Funding	\$	
Savings	\$	
Other	\$	
Total Funding Available	\$	
Change To Net County Cost		\$

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: There is no fiscal impact associated with the application request or resolution. If successful, the grant application could provide \$17,322 in funding to the Department for West Nile Virus surveillance.

Background: Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger issued an executive order on August 13, 2007 to provide up to \$10.0 million to local governments for emergency surveillance and control efforts to mitigate the threat of West Nile Virus (WNV) transmission. Emergency award funding will be based on both the current risk of WNV transmission and on the immediate resource needs of the applying agency. The funding is competitively awarded on a first come, first serve basis.

Reason for Recommendation: The Governor's executive order of August 13, 2007 is providing emergency funding to provide mosquito control and surveillance efforts to mitigate the threat of West Nile virus. County staff will use this funding to re-stock depleted mosquito control supplies and to continue our efforts in monitoring and treating mosquito breeding sources. The money will fund one extra-help Vector Control Technician through the end of the 2007 calendar season.

Since this funding is awarded on a first come, first serve basis the Environmental Management Department applied to the California Department of Public Health as soon as the Department was notified of this special funding. The application is brought forth retroactively so that the Department may proceed in securing this funding.

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