



# Mendocino County

## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 20-1001, **Version:** 1

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Health and Human Services Agency

**Meeting Date:** November 3, 2020

**Department Contact:** Tammy Moss Chandler

**Phone:** 463-7774

**Item Type:** Consent Agenda

**Time Allocated for Item:** N/A

**Agenda Title:**

Approval of Retroactive Agreement with Long Valley Fire Protection District in the Amount of \$66,000 for Advanced Life Support Services to Enhance Existing Ground Ambulance Services for the Term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

**Recommended Action/Motion:**

Approve retroactive Agreement with Long Valley Fire Protection District in the amount of \$66,000 for Advanced Life Support Services to enhance existing ground ambulance services for the term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; authorize the Health and Human Services Agency Director or designee to sign any future amendments to the Agreement that do not increase the annual maximum amount; and authorize Chair to sign same.

**Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:**

June 3, 2014, Board Workshop;  
May 5, 2015, Item 4(h), Approval of 15-16 MOU;  
April 19, 2016, Item 5(c), Presentation and Approval of Funding;  
December 20, 2016, Item 4(k), Approval of 16-17 MOU;  
December 19, 2017, Board Workshop, Item 4(s), Approval of 17-18 MOU;  
June 6, 2018, Board Budget Presentation;  
October 16, 2018, Item 4(i), Approval of 18-19 MOU;  
June 4 and 5, 2019, Item 5(a), Board Budget Presentation;  
August 27, 2019, Item 4(f), Approval of 19-20 MOU;  
June 9 and 10, 2020, Items 5(a,b), Board Budget Presentation.

**Summary of Request:**

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) requests Board approval of the Agreement with Long Valley Fire Protection District to allow for a continuation of the Advanced Life Support (ALS) Enhancement Pilot Project in Laytonville and surrounding areas. Initially expected to be a one-year project, approval of these funds dates back to Fiscal Year 2014-15, when the Board of Supervisors approved Memorandums of Understanding with service providers in vulnerable and underserved communities in Mendocino County to sustain and enhance ALS and emergency medical services. It has been expected that these services will continue until completion of the Request for Proposal to establish an Exclusive Operating Area for local ambulance providers.

The proposed Agreement with Long Valley Fire Protection District outlines expectations for Fiscal Year 2020-21, including the following:

- 1) Monthly reports exhibiting ALS staffing supported with project funds
- 2) Quarterly reports, including financial, describing specific ALS enhancements that have been achieved within the system
- 3) Lists of training opportunities, educational opportunities, or specific equipment/supply enhancements made possible through the Agreement
- 4) A one-time detailed report upon conclusion of the Agreement describing challenges, opportunities and successes

As outlined in California Health and Safety Code (Division 2.5, Chapter 4, Article 1, Sections 1797.200 - 1797.229), each county must designate a Local Emergency Medical Services Agency (LEMSA) for administration of emergency medical services. Oversight by the LEMSAs includes responsibility for implementation of ALS systems and monitoring of training programs. Pursuant to these guidelines, Mendocino County's LEMSAs have consulted with HHSA to develop the ALS Enhancement Pilot Project and cosigned the proposed Agreement.

The complexity of issues surrounding EMS delivery, changes in County staffing, challenges related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and the annual appropriation of this discretionary County General Funding delayed the contracting process and necessitated a retroactive start date.

**Alternative Action/Motion:**

Return to staff for alternative handling.

**Supervisory District:** District 3

**vote requirement:** Majority

**Supplemental Information Available Online At:**

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**Fiscal Details:**

**source of funding:** General Fund

**current f/y cost:** \$66,000

**annual recurring cost:** \$66,000

**budget clarification:**

**budgeted in current f/y:** Yes

**if no, please describe:**

**revenue agreement:** No

**Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel:** Yes

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**CEO Liaison:** Executive Office

**CEO Review:** Yes

**CEO Comments:**

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk I

Date: NOVEMBER 3, 2020

Final Status: Approved

Executed Item Type: Agreement Number: 20-148

**Note to Department** Number of Original Agreements  
Returned to Dept: 0 Original Agreement Delivered to  
Auditor? No

