

MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Environmental Health Division

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
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DATE: September 22, 2009

SUBJECT: California Department of Public Health Delegation

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve a resolution endorsing the application for local primacy agency delegation by the Health and Human Services Department Environmental Health Division previously submitted to the California Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Division. No County General Funds are associated with this action.

BACKGROUND:

In 1993, the California Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Division delegated the Health and Human Services Department, Environmental Health Division as a local primacy agency. This delegation allows Placer County to administer and enforce the California Safe Drinking Water Act for designated drinking water systems serving less than 200 connections. Maintaining a local, small water system regulatory program minimizes the number of agencies involved in regulating these systems thereby maximizing cost effectiveness while protecting the safety of drinking water systems.

In order to fully implement all aspects of the program, the California Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Division, has requested the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution endorsing the Health and Human Services Department, Environmental Health Division as the local primacy agency.

The approval of this resolution will not change the implementation of the drinking water program, but will officially confirm Placer County's acceptance of the State's delegation as a local primacy agency.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no impact to the County General Fund as a result of this action.

**Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of:

Resolution No: _____

**Resolution Endorsing Application for Local
Primacy Delegation for Small Public Water
Systems**

Ord. No.: _____

First Reading: _____

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held _____ by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest: _____
Clerk of said Board

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety law Section 116330 allows for the delegation of primary responsibility for the administration and enforcement of provisions relating to community and non-community water systems serving less than 200 service connections to a "local primacy agency"; and

WHEREAS, such delegation is accomplished by means of a Primacy Delegation Agreement with a local health officer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors acknowledges the benefit of maintaining a local small water system regulatory program in terms of cost effectiveness, service to the businesses and communities served by these water systems, and to help minimize the number of agencies involved in regulating many of the businesses in the County; and

WHEREAS, the application for local primacy delegation was submitted in February 1993 and the California Department of Public Health Drinking Water Division accepted the application as complete on April 16, 1993; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Health Division of the Health and Human Services Department submits annual work plans to the California Department of Public Health Drinking Water Division which provide detailed information regarding the program elements to be completed as prescribed by regulation; and

WHEREAS, the approval of this resolution is a requirement of the California Department of Public Health Drinking Water Division for the Environmental Health Division of the Health and Human Services Department to serve as the local primacy agency:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California that said Board does hereby adopt a resolution endorsing the application for local primacy agency delegation as submitted to the California Department of Public Health Drinking Water Division in February 1993.