

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING: July 21, 2009	AGENDA NO.: 16
SUBJECT: a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health to sign Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Budget Unit 436, Agreement with San Luis Ambulance to provide ambulance coverage in peripheral areas of Monterey County for the period of January 01, 2009 through December 31, 2009; and b. Authorize the modification of the County standard insurance requirements pertaining to General Liability insurance.	
DEPARTMENT: Health – EMS Agency	

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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- b. Authorize the modification of the County standard insurance requirements pertaining to General Liability insurance.

DISCUSSION/SUMMARY:

San Luis Ambulance is currently providing peripheral coverage in South Monterey County for the areas south of Alvarado Road and the Community of Parkfield. The agreements with the ambulance service providers in the peripheral areas were historically maintained by the EMS Agency until the County entered into an agreement with Westmed Ambulance. When Westmed Ambulance no longer provided ambulance service to the County, the agreements were transitioned back to the EMS Agency. The proposed Agreement with San Luis Ambulance would allow for the current coverage to continue and allow the closest ambulance provider to respond to emergency transportation needs. The EMS Agency is currently developing a Request for Proposal to contract with a new service provider. As part of the current Request for Proposal process, the awarded ambulance provider will assume the responsibility for peripheral area coverage within ninety days from the contract commencement date.

The EMS Agency and San Luis Ambulance have spent approximately six months in efforts to meet County insurance requirements. In the interest of public health and safety, the EMS Director has requested that the provider continue transport as necessary until such time as all required documentation is submitted and approval of the contract is received from the Board of Supervisors. The EMS Agency is requesting a waiver of the County standard insurance requirements pertaining to General Liability primary and non-contributory language for San Luis Ambulance Service, Inc. The insurance carrier will list the County of Monterey as the additionally insured but will not agree to the primary and non-contributory clause. The insurance does meet all other County requirements.


OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has approved the Agreements as to legal form.

FINANCING:

The estimated \$40,000 cost for services for January 01, 2009 through the end of the current fiscal year was included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Adopted budget and Fiscal Year 2009-10 Recommended Budget. Funding comes directly from the County Service Area 74 and consequently there is no effect on Net County Cost.

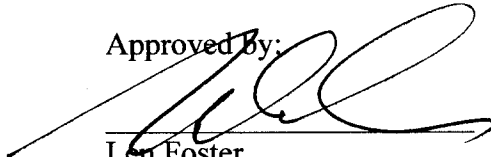
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