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Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Since FY 2009-10 the County Board of Supervisors has directed the Agricultural Commissioner's Office to provide support of agricultural education efforts in Monterey County. The intent was to collaborate for mutual benefit with respect to agricultural education programs and activities, more specifically programs and activities directly related to pest management and control, quarantine and invasive species activities, pesticide use and enforcement, fruit and vegetable standardization, and crop statistics.

The Monterey County Fair is a nonprofit organization that promotes agriculture and animal husbandry and educates the public about agriculture. The Agricultural Commissioner has supported the operation of the Agriculture Building in past years. At this time the Fair is in need of a livestock scale to replace the existing scale used in the youth livestock program. This action will allow the purchase of a scale.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Monterey County Fair supports this action.

FINANCING:

There is no financial impact to the General Fund. Sufficient funds are available in the Agricultural Commissioner's Office Budget for FY 2015-2016. Ongoing funding is subject to availability as determined through the County's annual Adopted Budget review and approval process.

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Attachments:
Monterey County Fair MOU