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Board Report

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a. Approve and authorize an operating transfer in the amount of \$378,000 in FY 2014-15 from the County Counsel Department Risk Management Division Enterprise Risk, Fund 001, Unit 8429, Appropriation Unit COU006, to the County Counsel Fund 001, Unit 8057, Appropriation Unit COU001; and

b. Approve and authorize the Auditor - Controller to increase FY 2014-15 estimated appropriations and revenue modifications in the amount of \$378,000 in the County Counsel Department 1210, Appropriations Unit COU001. (4/5th vote required.)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

- a. Approve and authorize an operating transfer in the amount of \$378,000 in FY 2014-15 from the County Counsel Department Risk Management Division Enterprise Risk, Fund 001, Unit 8429, Appropriation Unit COU006, to the County Counsel Fund 001, Unit 8057, Appropriation Unit COU001; and
- b. Approve and authorize an increase to the FY 2014-15 estimated appropriations and revenue modifications in the amount of \$378,000 in the County Counsel Department 1210, Appropriations Unit COU001. (4/5th vote required.)

SUMMARY:

The County Counsel's Office (Appropriations Unit COU001) experienced a departmental budget shortfall for FY 2014 - 2015. An operating transfer is needed to balance the Office budget for Fiscal Year 2014 - 15.

DISCUSSION:

The budget shortfall, the first in many years for the County Counsel's Office, was probably due to the transition to a substantially General Fund Contribution department rather than a primarily intra-fund transfer department. This transition contributed to an overestimation of anticipated revenues and intrafund reimbursements resulting in the budget shortfall.

Unutilized appropriations are available in the Risk Enterprise Fund. The appropriations were intended to fund water quality testing at San Antonio Lake. Due to drought conditions and the low level of the lake, the testing was not performed in FY 2014 - 15.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The CAO Budget Office and Auditor - Controller concur in the recommendation.

<u>FINANCING</u> :
There is no impact to the General Fund.
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