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Agenda: September 15, 1998

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California

EXTENSION OF JTPA DISCRETIONARY PROGRAMS AND ASSOCIATED LIMITED TERM POSITIONS

Dear Members of the Board:

As your Board is aware, over the past two years the Human Resources Agency (HRA) CareerWorks Division, has applied for and received discretionary grants to address the needs of special participant target groups, and to implement system wide changes in the delivery of employment training services. The grants, currently in progress, include the One-Stop Career System Implementation Grant and the Welfare-to-Work Pilot Project. Two common features of the grants are the funding source, Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) Title III 40% funding from the State Employment Development Department (EDD), and the recent notification from EDD that both grants have been extended.

To complete projects and increase participant services, HRA is seeking your Board's approval to extend the limited term positions associated with the respective grants. Activities associated with extension of the grants are fully funded by JTPA and will represent no cost to the County. The EDD accorded extensions do not provide additional allocations but will extend expenditure requirements, allow project completions, and in the case of the Welfare-to-Work Pilot, provide for increased participant services. The grants are summarized below:

Project Title	Total Allocation	<u>Term</u>	<u>Participants</u>
One Stop Career Center Implementation Grant	\$750,000	3/12/97- 6/30/99	NA

As you are aware, two of the three proposed One-Stop Career Centers, one in north county (1040 Emeline) and the other in south county (18 West Beach Street, Watsonville), are now operational. However, the mid-county site is not expected to be open until the first quarter of 1999. Efforts to remodel the building, establish electronic linkages and set up resource libraries will require significant expenditures in FY 98-99. HRA is seeking authority to extend a limited-term Departmental Information Analyst position through June 30, 1999.

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Welfare-to-Work	\$976,955	8/1/96-	58 new
Pilot Project		12/31/98	382 total

On June 23, 1998, HRA requested and received approval from your Board to extend the Welfare-to-Work Pilot Project and its assigned limited-term staff through September 30, 1998. To conduct project activities through December 31, 1998, HRA is requesting authority to continue two limited-term Employment and Training Specialist II positions.

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED that your Board:

- Approve the extension of the limited-term Departmental Analyst position (XC5) through June 30, 1999 to continue the One-Stop Career Centers implementation project; and
- 2. Approve the extension of two limited-term Employment and Training Specialist II positions (Codes SH1-016 and SH1-006) through December 31, 1998, to continue the Welfare-to-Work Project.

Very truly yours,

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