

County of Santa Cruz

HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY

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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

October 11, 2000

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Re: Environmental Cleanup Fund

Members of the Board:

During June budget hearings, your Board approved establishment of an environmental cleanup **fund** to correct environmental conditions not otherwise funded by other programs in the Planning or Environmental Health departments. Your Board directed the Health Services Agency, Planning Department, and County Administrative Office to report back on October 24, 2000, on fund guidelines and implementation. Additional time is needed to finalize implementation details.

Staff of Environmental Health and Planning have discussed aspects of fund implementation, including use of the Administrative Hearing Officer and procedures for summary abatement, that are already in use by Planning and would require only minor modification to be used by Environmental Health. Discussion has also centered on financial management of the **fund** jointly by Environmental Health and Planning, employing a new Planning accounting position authorized by your Board in approving Planning's budget. Additional details are being finalized, and coordination with the County Administrative **Office** is pending.

It is RECOMMENDED that your Board defer a report on implementation of an environmental cleanup fund until November 21, 2000.

Sincerely Rama Khalsa, Ph.D.

Rama Khalsa, Ph.D. HSA Administrator

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Diane Evans, REHS Environmental Health Director

RECOMMENDED

Susan Mauriello County Administrative Officer

cc: CAO Planning Department HSA Administration Environmental Health 0135

AGENDA: October 24, 2000

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