

Olivehurst Public Utility District



Agenda Item Staff Report

Meeting Date: September 17, 2020

Item description/summary:

Yuba County and its political subdivisions operate under the provisions of Sections 4701-4717 of the California Revenue and Taxations Code. This provision is known as the "Teeter Plan". Under this method, the accounts of political subdivisions that adopted the Teeter Plan and levy taxes on the County tax roll are credited with 100% of their respective secured tax levy, regardless of the actual payments and delinquencies. Yuba County's Teeter Plan includes secured taxes, not direct assessments (with a few exceptions). OPUD Weed Abatement (Yuba County Tax Code 81200) was/is a non-teeter direct assessment. Direct charges disbursed to the District are based on actual collections.

Olivehurst Fire Department performed weed abatement on non-compliant properties from 2009-10 to 2011-12. The actual abatement was handled by Yuba Sutter Community Conservation Corps. Property owners were billed for the costs. Only a few property owners paid the costs when billed and most unpaid assessments were placed on the County's Property Tax Roll for collection. The program was discontinued after 2012 due to the financial burden caused by the slowness of cost recovery.

Fiscal Analysis:

The payback period for the 3 years' assessment was approximately 10 years. A 6 year projection of an annual weed abatement of \$25,000 with historic collection ratios could result in a \$50,000 Weed Abatement Receivable balance of \$50,000 in year 6. (See page 2).

Employee Feedback

Sample Motion:

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Actual Weed Abatement Cost and Collections

Year	# of Parcels	Abatement	Fees	Total Assessed	Dec 2009 Tax Roll	Apr 2010 Tax Roll	Dec 2010 Tax Roll	Apr 2011 Tax Roll	Dec 2011 Tax Roll	Apr 2012 Tax Roll	Tax Roll 2013	Tax Roll 2014	Tax Roll 2015	Tax Roll 2016	Tax Roll 2017	Tax Roll 2018	
2008-09	63	18,239	3,780	22,019													
2009-10	37	8,955	2,220				11,175										
2010-11	43	11,967	2,580						14,547								
					(5,626)	(7,621)	(2,049)	(2,049)	(3,927)	(2,879)	(5,466)	(4,851)	(1,909)	(2,594)	(6,706)	(1,086)	
					\$22,019	\$16,393	\$8,772	\$17,898	\$15,849	\$26,469	\$23,591	\$18,125	\$13,274	\$11,365	\$8,771	\$2,065	\$979

Amount carried by Fire Department with annual Weed Abatement

6-YEAR WEED ABATEMENT ESTIMATE FOR COSTS AND COLLECTIONS

	Tax Roll 2021	Tax Roll 2022	Tax Roll 2023	Tax Roll 2024	Tax Roll 2025	Tax Roll 2026
Weed Abatement placed on County Tax Roll 50% collected in Abatement Year	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
	(12,500)	(12,500)	(12,500)	(12,500)	(12,500)	(12,500)
Prior Years' Collections Amount Carried by OPUD Fire		(2,500)	(3,750)	(5,000)	(6,250)	(7,500)
	\$12,500	\$22,500	\$31,250	\$38,750	\$45,000	\$50,000

Amount carried by Fire Department with annual Weed Abatement