

**TO: Workforce Investment Board
Executive Committee**

DATE: 3/10/03

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

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For Discussion

SUBJECT: Limited Funds Policy Impact on Performance Measures for 2003-2004.

PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information.

DISCUSSION: The Executive Committee approved the recommended local WIA Performance Measures on 2/3/03 concurring with the Quality Assurance Committee. After reviewing the performance from the previous year, they agreed that the goals were attainable. The WIB chair also expressed his desire to raise the bar on the measures, thus supporting continuous improvement.

On 2/12/03 the Merced County Department of WI was contacted to participate in a regional effort to re-negotiate performance levels at a rate 10% below the statewide levels. Merced County declined to participate with Kern, Inyo, Mono Counties Consortium, Tulare, Fresno, Kings and Madera.

The counties of Tulare and Stanislaus have developed a priority of services declaring that they have limited funds. This priority states that under program and 100% of the adults served are economically disadvantaged. When the Merced County WIB develops priorities based on limited funds, staff recommends they revisit regional negotiations for 2003-2004. The profile of an economically disadvantaged individual is one that generally has more barriers to employment, thus making it more difficult to reach the required standards.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A