

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/18/08

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Merced College Westside Plato Lab Amendment 1 to Contract No. 2008086

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Approve the amendment to Merced College Westside PLATO Lab contract due to the modification of Employment Services Contract No. 2004141 (CalWORKs) and direct staff to forward recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

DISCUSSION: Due to a modification in the Employment Services Contract (No. 2004141) with the Human Services Agency (HSA), fifty percent of instructor salary and benefits for PLATO Lab instruction will no longer be paid by the HSA Employment Services contract.

In order to continue providing Plato Lab instruction at the Westside One-Stop Center, a modification to the current Westside PLATO Lab contract between the Department of Workforce Investment and Merced College (No. 2008086) is needed. The services being provided to the public in the Westside area of the County (GED preparation and testing) have been proven to be exceptionally valuable. If approved, the fifty percent (instructor salary and benefits) needed to continue regular operation of PLATO Lab instruction in the Westside One-Stop will now be covered with Workforce Investment funds (Adult and Dislocated Worker).

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A