

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 7/09/09

FROM: Executive Committee

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Green Exploration Course Contract – Merced College

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Ratify the Executive Committee’s recommendation to provide curriculum development and course offering in the field of Green Industry Career Exploration in the Workforce Investment Board’s selected industry sectors through Merced College to serve Workforce Investment Act (WIA)/American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) eligible participants for the period July 6, 2009 through July 30, 2009 at a cost not to exceed \$12,320.

DISCUSSION: The ARRA has made it possible to enroll a large number of participants into various trainings over the summer. Guidance for implementation of the ARRA includes the development of curriculum for emerging sectors, and recommends enhancing the capacity of organizations providing these trainings to ensure quality training within limited timeframes.

Green careers in the fields of Health, Manufacturing (Programmable Logic Controllers), Renewable Energy (solar, wind, energy conservation), Ag Business, and Logistics/Warehouse Distribution.

ATTACHMENT(S): None