***Submit completed worksheet to:***

*Siskiyou County Clerk, 311 Fourth St., Rm 201, Yreka, CA 96097*

# **Agenda Worksheet**

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| **Regular** | **[ ]**  |  | **Time Requested:** | **5 minutes** | **Meeting Date:** | **February 20, 2024** |
| ***OR*** |
| **Consent** | **[x]**  |  |
| **Contact Person/Department:** | **William Carroll, Assistant County Counsel** | **Phone:** | **x.8100** |
| **Address:** |  |
| **Person Appearing/Title:** | **William Carroll, Assistant County Counsel** |
| **Subject/Summary of Issue:** |
| Approve and authorize actions by the County Administrator, or her designee, to execute, on behalf of Siskiyou County, two "backstop" agreements which will allow attorneys' fees (a contingent fee of 3%) to be paid from settlement funds from the National Opioid Settlement. One "backstop" agreement relates to the "Distributors" Settlement and the other agreement relates to the Janssen Settlement, both arising from the master lawsuit In re National Prescription Opiate Litigation MDL 2804 - Northern District of Ohio. The use of the settlement funds for attorney fees is for County's counsel Baron & Budd, P.C. who has been representing the County (and a collection of other public entities) in obtaining recoveries from opioid litigation. Not approving the agreements could leave the County liable for the contingency fee directly. |
| **Financial Impact:** |
| **NO** | [x]  | *Describe why no financial impact:*       |
| **YES** | [ ]  | *Describe impact by indicating amount budgeted and funding source below* |
| Amount: |       |  |  |  |  |
| Fund:  |       |  | Description: |       | Org.: |       | Description: |       |
| Account: |       |  | Description: |       |  |
| Activity Code:  |       |  | Description: |       |  |
| Local Preference: YES [ ]  NO [ ]  |
| For Contracts – *Explain how vendor was selected:*       |
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| Additional Information: |       |
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| **Recommended Motion:** |
| That the Board approve, and authorize the County Administrator to execute the agreements titled "Siskiyou County Backstop Agreement" as relates to the "Distributors" Settlement and the "Janssen" settlement.  |
| **Reviewed as recommended by policy:** |  | ***Special Requests*:** |
| County Counsel |       |  |  |
|  |  |  | *Certified Minute Order(s)* |       | *Quantity:* |       |
| Auditor |       |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Personnel |       |  | *Other:* |       |
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***NOTE: For consideration for placement on the agenda, the original agenda worksheet and backup material must be submitted directly to the Board Clerk (after reviewing signatures have been obtained) by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday the week prior to the Board Meeting.*** Revised 8/09/2021