



January 26, 2017

<p><b>SUBJECT</b></p> <p><b>AMERICAN INSTITUTES FOR RESEARCH THREE-MONTH TIME-ONLY EXTENSION</b></p> <p><b>Strategic Priority Area 2. System and Network:</b> Provide leadership to the First 5 movement and the development of a support system serving children prenatal through age 5, their families, and communities that results in sustainable and collective impact.</p> <p><b>Goal 2.1: Leadership as a Convener and Partner:</b> Work with First 5 county commissions, state agencies, and other stakeholders to convene, align, collaborate on, support, and strengthen statewide efforts and initiatives to facilitate the creation of a seamless system of integrated and comprehensive programs and services to improve the status and outcomes for children prenatal through age 5 and their families.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Information</p>
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### **SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE**

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This request is for approval to add three months to the existing American Institutes for Research (AIR) contract, CFF 7350, at no additional cost. The AIR contract work has been the foundation of the Transitional Kindergarten (TK) evaluation effort. This extension will provide AIR staff time to conduct analyses for three remaining deliverables due to unanticipated delays.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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Staff recommends the Commission approve a three-month, no-cost, time-only extension of the AIR contract, CFF 7350.

## **BACKGROUND OF KEY ISSUES**

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The contract between First 5 California and AIR currently is set to expire February 28, 2017. The no-cost, time extension will provide AIR the time necessary to conduct analysis for:

1. A report on the effects of TK on English Language Learners, which will include suggestions from the TK Advisory Group
2. A report based on California Language Development Test data, which is currently being processed by the California Department of Education
3. The final project report, which has been postponed to include information on the above-mentioned tasks

## **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

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The Commission approved \$500,000 for the AIR contract on January 23, 2014, and \$1.17 million on April 24, 2014, for a contract total of \$1.67 million.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

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The remaining tasks will utilize the remainder of contract funds without need for additional funding.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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None.