



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
(805) 568-2240

Department Name: Fire
Department No.: 031
For Agenda Of: July 21, 2015
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Eric L. Peterson, Fire Chief
Director(s)
Contact Info: (805) 681-5507
SUBJECT: Agreement #990013 between the State of California, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CalFire), and the Santa Barbara County Fire Department

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Accept an agreement with the State of California, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, for the loan of Federal Excess Personal Property (Attachment A);
2. Approve the resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to sign and execute the agreement (Attachment B) and
3. Determine that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review as it is not a project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(2).

Summary Text:

This cooperative agreement between the State of California, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CalFire) and the Santa Barbara County Fire Department allows the County Fire Department to continue to obtain US Forest Service Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) on loan through CalFire to support the County Fire Department's ability to actively engage in the prevention and suppression of fires.

Background:

The Santa Barbara County Fire Department has participated in the FEPP program for over 40 years. During that time, many critical and valuable pieces of Federal equipment have been acquired by the Fire Department, including helicopters, aircraft parts, graders, bulldozers, forklifts, trailers, specialized trucks, miscellaneous equipment etc. The primary use of the FEPP must be 90% for fire and proper care, maintenance, security and storage is required. When the property/equipment is no longer needed by the Fire Department, it is returned to the Federal government.

The State, as the approved agent of the US Forest Service for the purpose of administering the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 Rural Fire Protection Program, is allowed to provide for the loan of available FEPP for use by the County. In order for the Fire Department to continue to participate in this program, the attached agreement must be signed and a resolution from the Board of Supervisors must be submitted to CalFire indicating participation approval.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

None related to this action.

Special Instructions:

Upon Board approval and execution, the Clerk is asked to please return a copy of the minute order and duplicate original resolution to the Fire Department, attention: Courtney Stockton, courtney.stockton@sbcfire.com or (805) 681-5552.

Attachments:

- A. Cooperative Agreement #990013 for the Loan of Federal Excess Personal Property
- B. Resolution

Authored by:

Eric L. Peterson, Chief

cc: