



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: David Twa, County Administrator
Date: April 21, 2015

Subject: AUTHORIZE the Public Works Director, or designee, to register a "yes" vote on the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District Benefit Assessment Ballot

RECOMMENDATION(S):

1. AUTHORIZE a "yes" vote for the proposed "East County Emergency Fire Response and Prevention Assessment" for all parcels owned by Contra Costa County and County Service Area M-28, and
2. DIRECT the Public Works Director or designee to fill-out, sign, and submit all ballots for Contra Costa County and the County Service Area M-28 owned parcels as identified in Exhibit A and Exhibit B.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Total \$809.25 over a five (5) year period. This is equivalent to \$161.85 per year; 59% County General Fund and 41% County Service Area M-28. This benefit assessment does not have an annual cost of living inflator and expires after five (5) years.

BACKGROUND:

The East Contra Costa Fire Protection District (the "Fire District") Board of Directors has authorized a benefit assessment ballot that would generate \$4.3 million annually for the Fire District over a five (5) year period. In early March 2015, an engineer's report was issued by

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/21/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II
Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor

ABSENT: Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: April 21, 2015

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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cc:

NBS, a consultant retained by the Fire District, which found that amount of special benefit to all parcels related to the proposed service expansion was equal to \$4.3 million per year. The expanded service level assumes a model of five fire stations (Station Nos. 52, 59, 93, 54 and 94), including 48 operational personnel and two (2) administrative staff. This model also contemplates staffing of Cal Fire personnel at the Sunshine Station during non-fire season.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

The Board of Supervisors took previous action on March 31, 2015 to authorize "yes" votes on County and Flood Control District owned parcels identified in two separate Exhibits provided by the Fire District. The Exhibits consolidated all parcels showing the County or Flood Control District as the owner for convenience. Since that time, the Public Works department has identified two additional parcels requiring Board action to register a vote.

Today's action authorizes the Public Works Director, or designee, to register a "yes" vote, sign and return benefit assessment ballots, on behalf of Contra Costa County and County Service Area M-28, to the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District no later than April 22, 2015 for parcels identified in Exhibits A and B.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Each property owner in the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District has the right to vote on the East County Emergency Fire Response and Prevention Assessment. Failure to approve this action would give up Contra Costa County's right to vote on this assessment.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

No impact.

ATTACHMENTS

Exhibits A & B