



**Contra  
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County**

To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors  
From: Jeff Carman, Chief, Contra Costa County Fire Protection District  
Date: October 9, 2018

Subject: Purchase Order for Fire Apparatus Assigned to Briones Valley Reserve Station

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Agent to execute a purchase order with Fouts Bros. Fire Equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000, for the purchase of a Mini Pumper Fire Apparatus to be utilized at Fire Station 19 (Briones Valley) by firefighters in the Reserve Firefighter Program.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

100% CCCFPD General Operating Fund Balance

**BACKGROUND:**

The Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (District) Reserve Firefighter Program recently hired 12 new reserve firefighters. Fire Station 19 (Briones Valley) is in a remote part of the District's response area. The area sees relatively low call volume and incident response times can be lengthy. One method of delivering services and shortening this time is through the Reserve Firefighter Program.

Fire Station 19 (Briones Valley) is located at 1019 Garcia Ranch Road and has traditionally housed older apparatus the District has rotated in to the station. One challenge in operating a

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☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **10/09/2018** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, Director  
Candace Andersen, Director  
Diane Burgis, Director  
Karen Mitchoff, Director  
Federal D. Glover, Director

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: October 9, 2018

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

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By: June McHuen, Deputy

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reserve program in a neighborhood fire station such as this is the ability to recruit, train, and retain

### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

drivers for large heavy equipment.

The District is proposing to purchase this vehicle from Fouts Bros. to solve many of these challenges. The vehicle is a demonstration model and is available for immediate delivery, thus eliminating manufacturing time. The vehicle is on a Ford F550 chassis and does not require specialized licensing like larger apparatus. The vehicle is equipped with 300 gallon tank and a 375 gallon per minute pump. This will allow reserve firefighters to take action on wildland fires, vehicle fires, and perform some defense operations on a structure fire. The vehicle is capable of responding to medical emergencies and other all-risk calls for service. Purchasing a new vehicle will increase the dependability of a vehicle stored at an unstaffed station with relatively low call volume.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this purchase is not authorized, the District will need to identify an alternate plan for an appropriate vehicle to be assigned to Fire Station 19 (Briones Valley).