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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 D6N XL Caterpillar Bulldozer

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Agent to execute a purchase order with Peterson Cat, in an amount not to exceed \$510,000, for the purchase of a Caterpillar bulldozer for the purpose of fire suppression and other related activities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

100% CCCFPD General Operating Fund Balance

BACKGROUND:

The Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (District) has historically operated a fire trail maintenance program to prepare local fire trails for fire season. The District bulldozer was available on an

☒ APPROVE

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☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

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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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

as-needed basis for emergency response. In recent years, the heavy equipment program has been expanded to include dedicated staffing during fire season.

Utilization of a bulldozer on a wildland fire can greatly reduce the time required to contain and fully extinguish a fire. This summer the District's bulldozer played a key role on the Marsh Fire, the Ygnacio Fire, and dozens of other smaller incidents. Earlier this year, the bulldozer responded to Santa Barbara to assist in the search and rescue efforts following the deadly mudslides.

The District desires to purchase a new bulldozer for front line service. This will allow the District to place the current bulldozer into reserve status, giving us two fully capable units, enhancing response capability on red flag fire weather days, and allowing response to incidents outside Contra Costa County while still having a unit available in the County.

The 2018 fire season was deadly for bulldozer operators. Through participation in the statewide mutual aid system, the District's operators will gain valuable experience that will be utilized locally. Both bulldozers will be utilized in the fire trail maintenance program.

If approved, this purchase will be awarded to Peterson Cat using the California Multiple Award Schedules (CMAS), through the California Department of General Services Procurement Division.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The District will be limited to use of the one existing bulldozer for critical activities such as wildland firefighting and search and rescue.