



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors
 From: Lewis T. Broschard III, Chief, Contra Costa Fire Protection District
 Date: August 10, 2021

Subject: Cooperative Agreement with CAL FIRE for the Firefighter Property Program (FFP)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Fire Chief, or designee, to execute a cooperative agreement with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) to become a Cooperator with the Firefighter Property Program which allows participants to screen and acquire federal excess property for the exclusive purpose of fire suppression, fire prevention, and related emergency services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact associated with approving this item.

BACKGROUND:

The State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is an approved agent of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service for administering the Department of Defense Firefighter Property Program. Through this program, Cooperators have access to the USDA Forest Service's Federal Excess Property (FEP) Management Information System (FEPMIS) which allows for full accountability and management of FEP.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **08/10/2021** ☒ 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: August 10, 2021

, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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By: June McHuen, Deputy

cc:

Participation in this program will allow Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (District) to acquire excess federal property at little to no cost to the District which represents a significant cost savings. This program is particularly valuable for the District when there is a need for equipment that is used infrequently but comes with a high investment, including equipment used in support of the wildland firefighting mission. Items the District may seek to acquire could include forklifts, ten-wheel dump trucks for use during floods, equipment trailers, and heavy equipment for the fire trails or the Urban Search and Rescue Program.

For these reasons, District staff recommend that the Board approve the execution of the cooperative agreement with CAL FIRE.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The District will not be able to enter into a cooperative agreement with CAL FIRE and will not be able to screen and acquire federal excess property through the Firefighter Property Program.