RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2020-663

MEETING: November 10, 2020

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mike Healy, Public Works Director

RE: Approve an MOU with the County and the RCD

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD) for Water Storage System Installation; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the MOU.

Earlier this year the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (RCD) and Mariposa County collaborated on a project grant application to bring additional Fire Suppression Water to a location on County owned property near the Bootjack Fire Station.

This project increases local water storage for firefighting by more than five times what is currently available and benefits the entire County by augmenting the local water supply for firefighting. Bootjack is centrally located within the County and is one of the major population centers. Installation of this tank will reduce turnaround time to refill water tenders and improve fire-fighting response capabilities, which can prevent a small fire from becoming one of the catastrophic fires that have consumed more than 250,000 acres in the County in the past three years. Shorter travel distances to water also reduces vehicle miles traveled and GHG emissions during a fire event.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board has long supported collaborative efforts between agencies for the long-term safety benefits of our residents

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Without the benefit of this MOU this project may not be as successful as possible without all critical staff being able to work together with the added ability to be reimbursed for their project contributions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
While there is no formal match the County has agreed to invest CSA3 Funds toward an upgrade of the present electrical system.
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ATTACHMENTS:
Grant Agt   (PDF)
MCRCD MOU for Water Storage Sys   (PDF)
Fire Sup Water Improvement Grant Att#5_P1R1IG_Budget_1of2   (PDF)
Fire Sup Grant Att#5_P1R1IG_Budget_2of2   (PDF)

RESULT:   ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:   Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
SECONDER:   Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
AYES:   Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey