

# Mariposa County

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#### **RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2021-554**

MEETING: October 5, 2021

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mike Van Loben Sels, Acting Fire Chief

RE: Rural Fire Capacity Grant Acceptance

# **RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:**

Adopt a Resolution Approving the Grant Agreement for Rural Fire Capacity (RFC) Grant Funds from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) for Up to \$19,998.75 for Additional Funding of Personal Protective Clothing and Equipment; and Authorize the Board Chair to Sign the Agreement and Certification, and Any Additional Documents Pertinent to These Grant Funds (Subject to Approval as to Legal Form by County Counsel).

The RFC grant is a Federal Block grant program administered in California by CAL FIRE. The grant's purpose is to enable rural fire departments to purchase safety equipment so they can stay in compliance with National Fire Protection Association safety standards while engaged in firefighting activities.

The acceptance of the awarded grant will enable Mariposa County Fire Department (MCFD) to purchase new sets of structural and wildland firefighting ensembles that comply with current safety regulations. This grant will effectively decrease the Fire Department's purchase price of the new gear to half.

# **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Mariposa County Board of Supervisors approved Resolution #2021-151 on 3/23/21 to apply for this RFC Grant. Mariposa County Fire routinely utilizes this program was previously called the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) grant, which the Board of Supervisors has approved and accepted in the past. MCFD budgets for these matching funds requirement in anticipation of this opportunity. This grant is instrumental for updating gear to better protect our firefighters.

# ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Mariposa County Fire Department will lose the available grant funds to replace its Personnel protective clothing and equipment.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This will be a 50/50 match. Mariposa County Fire will match upto \$20,000.00 as a match to this grant. This funding is allocated within the annual budget for Fire.

# ATTACHMENTS:

Agreement 7GF21075 (PDF)
2021 RFC Resolution Template with Instructions (PDF)
AD-1048 Form (PDF)
AD 475A Civil Rights Poster (PDF)
FS-850 Civil Rights Pamphlet (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor **SECONDER:** Tom Sweeney, District II Supervisors **AYES:** Smallcombe, Sweeney, Long, Forsythe, Menetrey

# BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

**Resolution Number: 21-554** 

Approving the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Agreement #7GF21075 for services from the date of last signatory on page 1 of the Agreement to June 30, 2022, under the Rural Fire Capacity Program of the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Mariposa County,

that said Board does hereby approve the Agreement with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection dated as of the last signatory date on page 1 of the Agreement, and any amendments thereto. This Agreement provides for an award, during the term of this Agreement, under the Volunteer Fire Assistance Program of the Cooperative Fire Assistance Act of 1978 during the State Fiscal Year 2021-22 up to and no more than the amount of \$19,998.75.

# BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair\_of said Board

be and hereby is authorized to sign and execute said Agreement and any amendments on behalf of the Mariposa County Fire Department.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

SMALLCOMBE, SWEENEY, LONG, FORSYTHE, MENETREY

NAYS:

**NONE** 

ABSENT: NONE

Signature, Board of Supervisor Member

Marshall Long, Board Chair Printed Name and Title

	-CERTIFICATION	OF	RESOLUTION-	
ATI	TEST:			

I Rene La Roche, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Mariposa, California do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution Number 21-554.

WITNESS MY HAND OR THE SEAL OF THE COUNTY OF MANDOSCA this (o +h day of October, 2021.

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County

Title and Name of Local Agency

Approved as to Legal Form:

Steven W. Dahlem, County Counsel

**OFFICIAL SEAL** OR NOTARY CERTIFICATION