



# MARIPOSA COUNTY

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## **RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2019-270**

MEETING: May 21, 2019  
TO: The Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Mike Van Loben Sels, Acting Fire Chief  
RE: Automatic Aid Agreement Between Mariposa and Merced County

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### **RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:**

Approve an Automatic Aid Agreement Between Mariposa County Fire Department and the Merced County Fire Department; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair and the Fire Chief to Sign the Agreement.

Mariposa County Fire Department and the County and Merced Fire Department share geographic proximity to each other and are requesting to enter into an Automatic Aid Agreement. For mutual benefit and render reciprocal supplemental assistance in the event of fire or other local fire department emergencies. Mariposa County Fire and Merced County Fire shall be utilized whenever there is an incident as outlined in Addendum A, affording shorter response times and greater fire protection to persons and property in the Automatic Aid Response Areas.

All services provided by either Mariposa County Fire or Merced County Fire under this Agreement shall be performed without monetary compensation for the first twelve (12) hours of the incident. If the incident exceeds twelve (12) hours, the equipment would then transition to Assistance by Hire (ABH) retroactive back to the time of dispatch utilizing the rates established under the California Emergency Management Agency and Civil Defense Master Mutual Aid Agreement. The agreement states the assisting agency will be released expeditiously and typical suburban and commercial fire emergencies are mitigated in less than twelve (12) hours, there will be little impact on the current Mariposa County Fire operational budget.

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

Merced County Board of Supervisors has approved this automatic aid agreement.

### **ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

If this agreement is not approved the closest emergency fire equipment will not be responding causing longer response times and less protection to persons and property in the Automatic Aid Response Areas.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

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**There will be little financial impact on the Mariposa County Fire operational budget.**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Mariposa-Merced Co. AA Agreement Final (PDF)**

**RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**

**MOVER:** Marshall Long, District III Supervisor

**SECONDER:** Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor

**AYES:** Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey