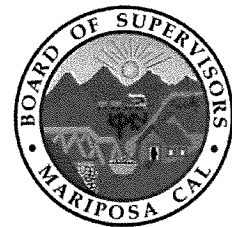




MARIPOSA COUNTY

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RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2019-671

MEETING: November 26, 2019
TO: The Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mike Van Loben Sels, Acting Fire Chief
RE: Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Adopt a Resolution Accepting the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant in the Amount of \$20,000 from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign CAL FIRE Agreement #7FG19069.

The VFA grant is a Federal Block Grant program administered in California by CAL FIRE. The grant's purpose is to enable volunteer 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 this year's grant will enable MCFD to purchase twelve (12) sets of structural firefighting ensembles and thirty six (36) sets of wildland fire web gear that comply with current safety regulations. This grant will effectively decrease the Fire Departments purchase price of the new gear to half.

This is a grant program that the Mariposa County Fire Department (MCFD) annually participates in and budgets for the local match requirement. This grant is instrumental for updating gear to better protect our fighters.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board of Supervisors has approved the same grant in previous years.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

MCFD will lose the available grant funds to replace the Structural Firefighting ensembles and wildland fire web gear sets.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This is a 50/50 match using funds in the fire department budget line- safety equipment in the amount of \$20,000.

ATTACHMENTS:

2019_Grant Agreement (PDF)
2019_VFA Application (PDF)

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2019_VFA Grant Award 7FG19069 (PDF)

2019_VFA Instructions (PDF)

2019_Form AD1048 (PDF)

2019 VFA Resolution Template and Instructions (DOCX)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor

SECONDER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor

AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey