

MARIN COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

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July 10, 2018

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

Jason Weber
FIRE CHIEF

SUBJECT: The Marin County Fire Department requests the approval of the agreement with the National Park Service to provide mutual assistance for the wildfire management activities in the amount of \$558,936 for the period of 05/01/2018 to 05/01/2023

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Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Authorize Marin County Fire Chief Jason Weber to enter into Cooperative Agreement #P18AC00839 with the National Park Service for the period of 05/01/2018 to 05/01/2023.
2. Approve the following related budget adjustments:

Action	Fund	Munis Org Code	Program Title	Character Code	Character Title	FY 2018-19 Budget Adjustment
Increase	General Fund	10032301	Vegetation Management	45	Intergovernmental Revenues	\$360,941
Increase	General Fund	10032301	Vegetation Management	51	Salary & Benefits	\$360,941

Woodacre
Throckmorton Ridge
Marin City
Point Reyes
Hicks Valley
Tomaes
Ross Valley: Medic 18
Tamalpais Fire Crew

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) has responsibility to protect and provide wildland fire management activities, including fire suppression, within the units of the NPS. Pursuant to subsection 1.4 H. of Part 620 of Departmental Manual (620 DM 1.4 H.), protection priorities are (1) human life and (2) property and natural/cultural resources. For the purpose of this Agreement, this area includes all NPS lands in Marin County within the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Muir Woods National Monument and Point Reyes National Seashore. Marin County Fire Department (MCFD) is responsible for providing fire protection for its lands, citizens and buildings as well as all state responsibility areas in Marin County.

For over 40 years the NPS and MCFD have built a strong and effective collaborative relationship aimed at suppressing wildfires, managing fuels and protecting communities, citizens and critical resources from the threat of wildfires. In recent years, the NPS' ability to meet the requirements to protect human life and property and natural/cultural resources in Marin County has been significantly reduced. It is mutually advantageous and in the best interest of the public for NPS and MCFD to enter into this Agreement to efficiently maximize funds and firefighting resources in the prevention, detection, management and suppression of all wildland fires on NPS lands in Marin County. MCFD

is a full-time, all-hazard fire department with six fire stations, three of which are adjacent to each of the NPS units in Marin. MCFD has the resources and expertise necessary to successfully provide the required wildland fire protection.

The objectives of this Agreement are to:

1. Facilitate cooperation between NPS and MCFD in the prevention, detection and suppression of wildland fires on NPS lands.
2. Establish the terms and conditions under which NPS and MCFD will provide mutual assistance and financial assistance for wildland fire management activities.

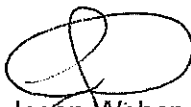
Financial assistance provided by the NPS through this Agreement and a MCFD contribution in the equivalent of \$197,996 in existing personnel resources will be utilized by MCFD to staff two additional fire engines during the typical fire season. These engines are owned and provided by the NPS and will help to provide the necessary additional firefighting resources to meet the objectives of this agreement.

While this is a five-year agreement through 2023, funding is allocated on an annual basis.

FISCAL IMPACT: There would be no increase to the General Fund Net County Cost as a result of these proposed actions. With your Board's approval, expenditure appropriations will increase by \$360,941 in the General Fund Vegetation Management Program, fully offset by corresponding contract revenues. Marin County Fire Department's contribution of \$197,996 in existing resources for engine staffing is already budgeted in the FY 2018-19 Approved Budget.

REVIEWED BY:	County Administrator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Department of Finance	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Human Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	County Counsel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

Respectfully Submitted,


Jason Weber
Fire Chief

Munis Budget Adjustment Document: 2019/01 #TBD