



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
Inter-Departmental Correspondence  
County Manager



**Date:** December 4, 2013  
**Board Meeting Date:** January 7, 2014  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Peggy Jensen, Deputy County Manager  
Chief Scott Jalbert, County Fire Department

**Subject:** CALFIRE Grant Agreement

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the County Manager to execute an agreement for grant funding with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in the amount of \$12,635.60.

**BACKGROUND:**

San Mateo County Fire applied for a \$12,635.60 grant from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CALFIRE) through the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 Volunteer Fire Assistance Program. The grant requires a 50% local match, must be used to purchase equipment or provide training and cannot exceed \$20,000. The County Fire grant was to fund radio equipment.

**DISCUSSION:**

The county Fire grant proposal was approved. To receive the grant funds, CALFIRE requires the governing body of the local fire agency to adopt a resolution authorizing a local official to sign the grant agreement. The Board of Supervisors is the governing agency for County Fire and may assign signing authority to the County Manager, which is why your approval of the agreement is being requested.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The state grant of \$12,635.60 will be received in Fiscal Year 2013/14. A local match of the same amount will come from the Measure A funds approved for County Fire apparatus and equipment replacement in the FY 2013/15 budget. The Measure A and state grant funds will be used to purchase \$25,271.19 worth of radio equipment for County Fire.