



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Brown

Meeting Date: February 4, 2020

Department Contact: Supervisor Brown

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Item Type: Regular Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: 5 minutes

Agenda Title:

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Request for the Appointment of a Local Government Leader to Participate on the Governor's Forest Management Task Force (FMTF)
(Sponsor: Supervisor Brown)

Recommended Action/Motion:

Appoint a local government leader to participate on the Governor's Forest Management Task Force; and provide direction to staff, as appropriate.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

Supervisor Carre Brown represents the County on the Board of Directors for the Rural Counties Representatives of California (RCRC). As the Mendocino County representative many issues and topics have been brought forward for Board consideration and possible action.

Summary of Request:

RCRC transmitted a letter (attachment A) to its member Counties from the Governor's recently appointed Director of the Forest Management Task Force (FMTF), Jennifer Montgomery, requesting a point of contact to provide local knowledge for wildfire management of the landscape and to closely participate with the FMTF in their decision making process.

Mendocino County has acres of State and Federal lands within its political boundary and is home to Jackson Demonstration State Forest, the largest demonstration forest operated by the State of California, as well as privately owned forest lands. The Board should consider an appointment to the working group to benefit on-going projects and/or needed projects for Wildfire resiliency in Mendocino County.

Background

The Governor's Forest Management Task Force (FMTF) is seeking a greater level of input and involvement from local governments, including counties, to advise and inform the efforts of the FMTF on natural and working landscape management for forest resilience and wildfire prevention. The FMTF is beginning a bi-monthly working group dedicated to local governments which will be held both in Sacramento and potentially throughout California's rural counties to help foster a more collaborative effort between the state, federal, and local governments.

The FMTF has strategic input on all levels of forest management in California, from budget allocations to state agency plans and procedures to federal collaboration and everything in between. This is a key opportunity for the County to help guide this new local government process from the beginning and RCRC encourages Counties to be involved by appointing a representative.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Do not appoint a representative.

Supplemental Information Available Online at: N/A

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: N/A

current f/y cost: N/A

annual recurring cost: N/A

budget clarification: N/A

budgeted in current f/y: N/A

if no, please describe:

revenue agreement: N/A

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: N/A

CEO Liaison: Janelle Rau, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Lindsey Dunham, Deputy Clerk I

Final Status: Approved

Date: **FEBRUARY 5, 2020**

Note to Department Supervisor Brown appointed as local government leader to participate on the Governor's Forest Management Task Force.

