

Staff Report

Subject: Approval of an Agreement and MOU between GA Forestry Commission and Effingham County Fire Rescue
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Item Description: Rural Fire Defense Agreement and MOU between the GA Forestry Commission and Effingham County Fire Rescue

Summary Recommendation: Staff recommend approving a Rural Fire Defense Agreement and MOU between the GA Forestry Commission and Effingham County Fire Rescue

Executive Summary/Background:

At times, the Georgia Forestry Commission provides equipment to Fire Departments within the State of Georgia for use in supporting the response to brush/outside fires.

At this time, Effingham County Fire Rescue does not have any assigned State equipment, but this agreement is provided statewide, and will allow for future equipment usage, should it become available and deemed appropriate for the County. It will also allow Effingham County Fire Rescue to receive a grant through GFC.

Options/Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

Recommended: Approval of MOU w/ GA Forestry Commission

Other Alternative(s): Deny

Department Review: Fire

Funding Source: N/A

Attachments: Agreement