

Staff Report

Subject: Request to apply for and receive a 50/50 grant with the GA Forestry Commission
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Meeting Date: 03/17/2026
Item Description: Consideration to apply for and receive a 50/50 grant with GA Forestry Commission

Summary Recommendation: Staff recommends approving the application for and receipt of a grant with GA Forestry Commission.

Executive Summary/Background:

Effingham County Fire Rescue was notified of an immediate availability of funding in the form of a 50/50 grant from GA Forestry Commission. Staff is requesting approval for the application and the receipt of this grant. The grant will cover 50% of the cost of three portable generators with attached LED scene lights. Funding for the match is already available in the current budget.

Options/Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

Recommended: Approval to apply for and receive a 50/50 grant with the GA Forestry Commission

Other Alternative(s): Deny

Department Review: Fire-Rescue

Funding Source: Approved Budget

Attachments: Application and Award