



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: 8/31/2021

AGENDA ITEM: Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement

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BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this agreement is to cooperate in the prevention and suppression of wildland fires as authorized under M.S.88.04. Assistance will only be provided when requested, when resources are available, and can be committed without diminishing either party's ability to protect its own jurisdiction.

The DNR is responsible for the prevention and suppression of wildland fire within the state. The Fire Department is responsible to prevent and extinguished all unwanted fires within its fire protection area.

It is mutually advantageous and in the public's best interest for the parties to this instrument to coordinate and assist in each other's efforts in the suppression of wildland fires. This agreement is an renewal of the Fire Department's previous agreement with the DNR. The Grand Rapids Fire Department has provided equipment and resources on the Greenwood Lake fire and with the purchase of a new fire truck, we needed to update this agreement for reimbursement purposes.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Consider approving the Fire Chief to sign on behalf of the Mayor an amended Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement with the Minnesota Dept of Natural Resources for 2021.