



# FRESNO COUNTY FIRE

PROTECTION DISTRICT

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## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** 03/05/2021

**To:** Board Directors

**Attn:** Mike Del Puppo  
President

**From:** Fire District Staff

**Subject:** Rural Fire Capacity (formally VFA) Grant Application 2021

### **BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S BRIEFING PAPER**

#### **ISSUE:**

The next cycle of the Rural Fire Capacity (formally VFA) Grant is open for applications. Grant applications must be submitted no later than May 4, 2021.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The District has received the grant in the past and used the funds to purchase Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

#### **DISCUSSION:**

This grant is a 50% reimbursement grant. The total of the grant is approximately \$40,000. Total reimbursement back to the District will be 50% of what was actually spent or approximately \$20,000. District staff would like to purchase 12 sets of structural PPE with this grant.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

1. The District could decide to not apply for the grant.

**IMPACTS** (Consider potential consequences related to each of the following areas of concern for proposed alternatives):

- Fiscal – Staff can add the Rural Fire Capacity Grant to the FY 2021/22 budget. The District would be reimbursed up to 50% of what is actually spent or approximately \$20,000.00.
- Operational – The PPE is needed to maintain serviceable PPE for operational personnel.
- Legal – No known impact.
- Labor – No known impact
- Sociopolitical – No known impact.
- Policy – No known impact.
- Health and safety – No known impact.
- Environmental – No known impact.
- Interagency – No known impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff is recommending the Board of Directors approves staff to move forward with submitting an application for the Rural Fire Capacity Grant for Fiscal Year 2021/22. That any Board of Director makes a motion to direct staff to move forward with submitting an application for the Rural Fire Capacity Grant.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Josh I. Chrisman, Administration Officer

3/5/2021  
Date