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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Sharon Bull for Ernie Loveless - Fire Chief
County Fire Department
REPORT BY: Sharon Bull, Staff Services Analyst, 967-1417
SUBJECT: Donation of 200 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Carbon Fiber 3000 PSI Cylinders

RECOMMENDATION

County Fire Chief requests the following:

1. Declare 200 self-contained breathing apparatus 3000 psi cylinders as surplus and no longer required for public use; and
2. Authorize County Fire to dispose of these cylinders by donating them to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. (4/5 vote required)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As the result of a \$720,000 FEMA grant, Napa County Fire Department was able to update all 3000 psi SCBA's with newer, state-of-the-art 4500 psi SCBA's. County Fire now has 200 spare 3000 psi cylinders which are reaching the end of their useful life. These cylinders have no market value.

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) is still using 3000 psi SCBA's. Donation of these surplus cylinders to CDF would eliminate the need to dispose of the cylinders and help a cooperating agency. Pursuant to Government Code Section 25365, the Board of Supervisors may, upon a 4/5 vote, donate surplus personal property to to the State of California if the property is not required for county use.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Firefighters are required to use self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) when entering an atmosphere that is immediately dangerous to life or health (IDLH). As the result of a \$720,000 FEMA grant, in January Napa County Fire Department replaced all 3000 psi SCBA's with newer, state-of-the-art 4500 psi SCBA's. As a result, County Fire has 200 used 3000 psi cylinders which are reaching the end of their useful life.

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) is still using 3000 psi SCBA's. A donation of these cylinders to CDF would benefit our cooperators and save tax dollars. The cylinders have no resale value.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Andrew Carey