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TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Protection and Planning Bureau

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July 1, 2024

TITLE III PROJECT PROPOSAL TEHAMA COUNTY COMMUNITY FIRE PREVENTION

The existing Title III project is titled “Community Fire Prevention” & currently funds two Fire Prevention/Education Officer positions in the Tehama County Fire Department. The new proposal (named the same) will continue to fund two Fire Prevention/Education Officer’s (FPEO) to maintain established programs as well as maintain & develop new community fire prevention educational & inspection programs.

The objective of Community Fire Prevention is to reduce the threat of fire damages in the urban inter-face areas of the county, specifically those associated with communities at risk. The FPEO works with *California Fire Safe Councils and Firewise Communities Programs* to assist in the development of *community wildfire protection plans* & to educate homeowners using proven techniques and information about home placement, home construction, & home landscaping that will increase the protection of people & property from wildfires. These techniques are outlined in the California Public Resources Codes 4290 and 4291 & in the Tehama County Fire Safe Ordinance 1537.

Thus far, the FPEO’s & the past Community Fire Prevention & Education Officer (CFPEO) have completed over 5,000 field inspections to ensure compliance with Tehama County's Fire Safe Ordinances – 1537, 2122, and 2023. These positions have also performed over 400 in office consultations and 4300 site visits to provide advice about structure location, defensible space, & vegetation clearance. In addition to residential contacts, the FPEO’s have conducted over 700 commercial building inspections thereby reducing damages, injuries and the threat of fire spread to the wildland.

The Tehama County FPEO’s have worked extensively to extol the benefits of Tehama Counties decision to adopt the California Fire Code (CFC) in 2008. They continually educate the public, property owners, developers and industry personnel on the benefits, & how it helps to prevent fire spread from structures to the wildland fuels of Tehama County.

Based on the currently available HR 1424 funds, the Tehama County Fire Department offers the following proposal for the thirteenth year of the Community Fire Prevention program to the Tehama County Board of Supervisors:

We are requesting the amount of \$30,000 with the remaining funding of \$95,108.78 coming from Dept. #2042.

Grant Funding-	<u>\$ 30,000</u>
Department #2042 contributions-	<u>\$ 95,108.78</u>
FPEO - Salaries and Uniform	Total \$ 125,108.78
(Based on yearly salary and uniform allowance for 2 – County Inspectors)	

I thank the Board for their consideration of continued support for this valuable program & I am available to answer questions at any time.

Sincerely,

Brian Wright

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FY 2023 TITLE III – COUNTY PROJECTS

Section 1: Please list all **existing** projects that you anticipate submitting to the Board for Title III funding in this reauthorized year. If you do not have any existing projects or programs that you will apply for funding under Title III, please write “none” in box #1 below.

<u>EXISTING SERVICE/PROGRAM DESCRIPTION</u>	REQUESTED AMOUNT OF REAUTHORIZED FY 2021 TITLE III FUNDING (12 month period)	ADDITIONAL PROJECT FUNDING SOURCE(S)
1) Fire Prevention Education Officer(s)	\$30,000.00	\$95,108.78
2)		

Section 2: Please list **new** projects that you anticipate applying for funding under Title III. Write “none” in box #1 if you will not be pursuing any new projects under Title III at this time.

<u>DESCRIPTION OF NEW PROPOSED PROGRAM QUALIFIED UNDER TITLE III</u>	REQUESTED AMOUNT OF REAUTHORIZED YEAR TITLE III FUNDING (12 month period)	ADDITIONAL PROJECT FUNDING SOURCE(S) (Funds other than Title III)
1)		
2)		

Return by July 17, 2024

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