

**FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION**  
**OF**  
**HUMBOLDT COUNTY**

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**PROPOSAL FOR EXCESS MEASURE Z FUNDING**

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AMOUNT OF MEASURE Z FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF FY 2015-16:  
\$63,214.00

**PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION:**

A critical emergency service gap has been identified through the sustainable fire services planning efforts, associated with the current Fire Chiefs Association Measure Z project. There is a need for short term funding to maintain emergency services through the end of the 2015-16 Fiscal Year (FY) within this service gap area that includes the Highway 299 corridor. Currently, there is no fire district that includes this area within its boundaries. If funding is provided, service contracts can be executed with the three applicable fire districts. This will allow the emergency response services that these districts currently provide on a good-will basis to continue within this critical area which includes a large number of traffic collisions and medical aides along the Highway 299 corridor, while long-term solutions continue to be pursued. Through planning efforts involving fire districts, staff from Public Works and Planning & Building, there is interest and exploration of a multi-layered approach which includes the possible formation of a County Service Area (CSA) to provide jurisdictional support for local fire response to the service gap. The development of a "fee for service" is also being evaluated to be charged to all vehicle collisions with an administrative structure to support insurance billings. However, the good-will service currently being provided by three fire districts (Kneeland Fire Protection District, Blue Lake Fire Protection District and Willow Creek Fire Protection District) cannot be sustained through the rest of this FY without funding to cover the cost of responding to the area. These three fire districts are currently called upon to provide this service, funded only by revenue generated from within their districts. This is not a sustainable or equitable system and a new structure needs to be put in place. These three fire districts have communicated to the county that they are no longer in a financial position to continue to provide this service without funding. This proposal for funding is considered to be a stop-gap measure to ensure that the current level of service is not disrupted while a long-term solution is being sought. Service disruption could lead to a loss of life and property.

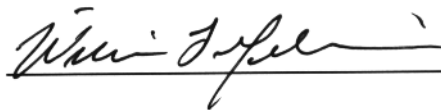
Supplementing the current Fire Chiefs Association award for the use described above will make it possible for the existing planning effort to continue in good faith without disruption. It will allow the fire districts to continue providing services while at the same time dedicating time and effort to working with the County on the establishment of sustainable funding mechanisms.

PROGRAM BUDGET:

See attached.

***I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above statements and all attachments are true and correct***

DATE: 2-25-16

SIGNATURE: 

## Budget

### Humboldt County Fire Chief's Association Proposal for Excess Measure Z Funding FY 2015-16

Date: 2/26/16

Descriptions	Amounts	Approved Budget	Remaining Balance
<b>A. Personnel Costs</b>			
Title: Kneeland Fire Protection District Salary and Benefits Calculation:	1,184		
Duties Description: Duty/Chiief c8902			
Title: Blue Lake Fire Protection District Salary and Benefits Calculation:	756		
Duties Description: Duty/Chief			
Title: Salary and Benefits Calculation:			
Duties Description:			
Title: Salary and Benefits Calculation:			
Duties Description:			
<b>Total Personnel:</b>		<b>1,941</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>B. Operational Costs (Rent, Utilities, Phones, etc.)</b>			
Title: Kneeland Fire Protection District Description: Water Tender 8962	1,435		
Title: Kneeland Fire Protection District Description: Rescue Q/A 8946	2,165		
Title: Kneeland Fire Protection District Description: Station MAIN	200		
Title: Willow Creek Volunteer Fire Department Description: Water Tender	4,971		
Title: Willow Creek Volunteer Fire Department Description: Rescue	4,249		
Title: Willow Creek Volunteer Fire Department Description: Quick Attack	4,695		
Title: Willow Creek Volunteer Fire Department Description: Station	1,974		
Title: Blue Lake Fire Protection District Description: Water Tender	4,971		
Title: Blue Lake Fire Protection District Description: Rescue Q/A	4,719		

**Budget**

**Humboldt County Fire Chief's Association Proposal for Excess Measure Z Funding FY 2015-16**

Date: 2/26/16

Descriptions	Amounts	Approved Budget	Remaining Balance
Title: Blue Lake Fire Protection District			
Description: Station	1,592		
Title:			
Description:			
Title:			
Description:			

**Total Consumable/Supplies: 30,971                      0                      0**

**D. Transportation/Travel (Local and Out-of-County should be separate)**

Title: Kneeland Fire Protection District			
Description: Engine 8911	3,554		
Title: Kneeland Fire Protection District			
Description: Engine 8912	4,196		
Title: Willow Creek Volunteer Fire Department			
Description: Engine	10,850		
Title: Blue Lake Fire Protection District			
Description: Engine	11,703		
Title:			
Description:			
Title:			
Description:			

**Total Transportation/Travel Costs: 30,303                      0                      0**

**E. Fixed Assets**

Title:			
Description:			
Title:			
Description:			

**Total Other Costs: -                      0                      0**

**Total: 63,214**