

**El Dorado County
Chief Administrative Office
Interoffice Memorandum**

DATE: March 13, 2006
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Laura S. Gill, Chief Administrative Officer *Laura S. Gill*
SUBJECT: Award Request for Proposal #06-918-030-Title III Federal Forest Reserve Funds

Recommendations:

1. Award Request for Proposal #06-918-030 for Fire Prevention and County Planning to the organizations identified below in the amounts specified;
2. Authorize the Chair to execute agreements with the awarded organizations upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management.

Reason for Recommendations:

Federal Forest Reserve funds are disbursed to Counties by Congressional appropriation under the Secure Rural Schools and community Self-Determination Act of 2000. Under this authority, the Board of Supervisors has designated projects in the categories of search and rescue and wildfire education and planning. On August 16, 2005, the Board authorized the solicitation of proposals as a mechanism for allocating the funding budgeted for wildfire education and planning among community organizations.

Six (6) proposals were received, representing a total of twelve (12) projects. An evaluation team composed of representatives from two Resource Conservation Districts, the United States Forest Service, and CAO staff reviewed the proposals and has recommended funding for ten (10) of the projects, for a total of \$322,463. A summary is provided below.

Proposer	Project	Request	Award
University of California Cooperative Extension	Fire-resistant Plant Guide and Workshops	\$13,969	\$13,969
El Dorado County Fire Safe Council	#3 Chrome Ridge Fuels	\$5,000	\$5,000
El Dorado County Fire Safe Council	#6-Community Planning, WUI Boundary Mapping	\$41,960	\$41,960
Auburn Lake Trails Fire Safety & Improvement Council	Risk Education and Home Inspection	\$39,890	\$18,890
Nevada Fire Safe Council	Fire Safe Council Administration & Outreach	\$75,000	\$75,000
El Dorado County Fire Safe Council	#4-Defensible Space Inspections	\$32,270	\$32,370