



**Northwest Fire District
Governing Board**
13535 North Marana Main Street
Marana, Arizona

SCHEDULED

MEMORANDUM NO. {{item.tracking_number}}

Date:	March 25, 2025
To:	Governing Board
From:	Sandy Russell, Analyst
Division:	Business Services
Type of Action:	Formal Action/Motion
Strategic Plan Goals:	Enhance and promote the organization's mental, physical, and occupational health, wellness, and safety
Agenda Item:	Adoption of Resolution No. 2025-007 Approving the Submittal of a Revenue Sharing Application to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to Obtain Funding for Electric Vehicle Fire Suppression Equipment

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. 2025-007 approving the submittal of a revenue sharing application to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to obtain funding for electric vehicle fire suppression equipment.

MOTION:

Move to adopt Resolution No. 2025-007 approving the submittal of a revenue sharing application to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to obtain funding for electric vehicle fire suppression equipment.

DISCUSSION:

This revenue sharing application was originally submitted to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe in September of 2024. When the current round of funding opened, the District had not received notification of whether the application had been awarded or rejected, which delayed the decision to submit another application. The application deadline was February 28, 2025, and Board approval for the second application was not possible.

The Governing Board approved the original grant application for \$62,923.94 at the September 24, 2024, meeting. While the need and requested equipment remain the same, the price increased by \$1,515.74, bringing the total to \$64,439.68. Since the prior application for \$62,923.94 was approved by the Board and supported by the Town of Marana, the amount in the current application was not adjusted.

Northwest Fire District does not currently have electric vehicle (EV) fire suppression equipment. Funding from the Pascua Yaqui Tribe would provide one (1) EV fire suppression blanket, one (1) emergency plug, and one (1) EV fire suppressor mister for every front-line engine in the District. The two (2) Battalion Chiefs and Safety Officer on shift would also

receive one (1) EV blanket and (1) emergency plug for additional response capabilities. The requested equipment will result in the District’s ability to limit the spread of fire to the vehicle and surrounding area, to cool the battery compartment, and to prevent the vehicle from moving under its own power. The EV equipment will enhance District personnel’s safety on scene, while also protecting the public, allowing NWFD to accomplish our mission of saving lives, protecting property, and caring for our community.

ALTERNATIVES:

None recommended.

Fiscal Impact

FISCAL YEAR: 24/25

BUDGETED Y/N: No

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$64,439.68

FISCAL IMPACT: This award does not require a match contribution; however, the total cost of the EV suppression equipment is \$64,439.68, and the amount requested in the application is \$62,923.94, leaving a remaining balance of \$1,515.74. If awarded, Northwest Fire District would be obligated to contribute \$1,515.74 towards the purchase of EV suppression equipment. Funding for this obligation is available in Grant Fund balance. In the event the Pascua Yaqui Tribe approves less than the requested award amount, the request to use additional Grant Fund balance would be brought before the Board.

Attachments

Resolution No. 2025-007
Pascua Yaqui Revenue Sharing Application
Equipment Quotes
Detailed Budget
Town of Marana – Letter of Support