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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	27251	Agenda Number	28.
Meeting Date:	9/26/2013		Department:	Austin Fire Department
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement between the City and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to establish a framework of cooperation for assistance during prescribed fire, wildfire, and other "all hazard" incidents on USFWS refuges and other federal properties.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
No funding is required.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:				
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Boards and Commission Action:				
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>The purpose of this Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin (City) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) is to establish a framework of cooperation for working on USFWS refuges and other federal properties. The Agreement allows for the provision of mutual support, cooperation and assistance during:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prescribed fire management, fire prevention, fire preparedness; • emergency management and assistance on "all hazard" incidents such as wildfire and floods; • technical support and training; and • sharing of equipment, personnel and personal safety items. <p>Both parties understand that the resources available from the City under this Agreement are limited to the resources of the Austin Fire Department.</p> <p>Responsibilities and procedures are outlined in the Agreement including the designation of a single point of contact for both parties, procedures for requesting resources, the minimum qualifications for personnel working on joint projects, and the supervision and compensation of personnel. The Agreement does not obligate funds and any endeavor involving reimbursement or contribution of funds between parties will be handled in accordance with applicable laws, regulations and procedures. The term of the agreement is five years.</p>				