

Conrad, William

From: Ken Beck [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 23, 2015 9:38 AM
To: Conrad, William
Subject: FW: Preserve Fire protection funding, or lack thereof

Willie, we have talked about this issue in the past. In the area in which I live, ESD #14 in Travis County, 67% of the land in this ESD district is BCP land. The recent work done by Travis County to assess the probability of risk within the county to wild fire shows our area at the highest level - that we could conceivably lose 85% of our structures. Therefore the ESD is being asked to do everything they can to address the interface and to be prepared to fight any fires that might ever break out in the preserve. The drought is not helping.

Our ESD is now feeling financial pressures because Cedar Park just annexed two large subdivisions that took away over half of our annual revenue. Everyone then asks the question - why is the BCP not paying their fair share, or at least something, to address fire protection for its land? Can you help me with this scenario?

Thanks, Ken

On 2/23/15, 8:53 AM, "Scott Spurlin" [REDACTED] wrote:

>Ken-
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>Good morning. Hope all is well and your nice and warm this wintry
>morning!
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>At the VNA meeting we discussed various funding issues and specifically
>the lack of funding for fire protection for the the preserve lands. We
>will and are getting questions on this topic. Ie; if its such a
>potential fire hazard why is there not funding to make sure that we are
>covered for fighting fires on this land. I believe you had run the
>gamut on researching this funding avenue.
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>Can you write up your findings and send to us? We want to make sure
>that we have the results of your research included in the data that we
>use to answer questions, etc.
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>Thanks!
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>Scott
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