

# County of Los Alamos

# Council Meeting Staff Report June 8, 2021

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Indexes (Council Goals):

Presenters: Troy Hughes
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## Title

Incorporated County of Los Alamos Resolution No. 21-08; A Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the 2021 - 2022 Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program in The Amount Of \$15,000 And Consideration of Budget Revision 2021-46.

#### **Recommended Action**

I move that Council approve Resolution No. 21-08 in acceptance of the 2021 -2022 Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program monies and Budget Revision 2021-46 as summarized on Attachments A and B.

# **County Manager's Recommendation**

The County Manager recommends that Council approve both Resolution 21-08 and Budget Revision 21-46 as requested.

#### **Body**

The Los Alamos Fire Department (LAFD) applied for the 2021 - 2022 Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program through the New Mexico Counties. The LAFD received a grant award letter for \$15,000 from New Mexico Counties. The funds will be utilized to update the Los Alamos County Community Risk Protection Plan (CWPP). Based upon guidance from New Mexico State Forestry and the national Association of State Foresters, the CWPP should be updated every five (5) years. The Los Alamos County CWPP was last updated in 2016. Since that time, Los Alamos County has completed mitigation of over 125 acres of county owned property, obtaining updated mapping, completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) of the wildland urban interface areas of the county, and documented over 500 home assessments in high-risk areas that were only previously mentioned in the existing CWPP as a project area.

The proceeds of the grant will go towards updating the existing Los Alamos County CWPP with new maps, with project progress being captured in the new CWPP. This will be the third revision of the CWPP that was authored in 2006.

#### **Alternatives**

Council could choose not to approve the Resolution for acceptance of the Grant funds and/or the Budget Revision. The impact would be that the CWPP project may not have adequate funds to fulfill the project of wildland risk reduction in our community.

## **Attachments**

- A Resolution No. 21-08 Acceptance of 2021-2022 Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program
- B Publication Notification
- C Budget Revision No. 2021-46
- D Grant Analysis and Financial Matrix