

PIERCE COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT		April 2015
PCFCA Beginning Balance		\$11,110.39
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Interest Income	\$0.14	
Annual Dues	\$0.00	
Banquet Registration	\$0.00	
Monthly Meeting Lunch	\$0.00	
Misc. Reimbursements	\$0.00	
	Sub-Total Revenues	\$0.14
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Legislative Support	\$0.00	
Banquet Expenses	\$0.00	
Bank Charges/Checks	\$0.00	
Business Expenses/Travel	\$0.00	
Insurance - Liability WA St Assoc	\$0.00	
Monthly Meeting Lunch	\$0.00	
Secretary of State - Non-Profit	\$0.00	
E-Board Expenses	\$0.00	
Recognition/Awards	\$0.00	
Secretarial Services	\$0.00	
Office Supplies	\$0.00	
Donations	\$0.00	
Web Site Maintenance/Fees	\$0.00	
Training	\$0.00	
	Sub-Total Expenses	\$0.00
PCFCA Ending Balance		\$11,110.53
<b>EMS Beginning</b>		\$6,080.71
EMS Revenue	\$0.00	
EMS Expenses	\$0.00	
<b>EMS Ending Balance</b>		\$6,080.71
<b>ACCOUNT BALANCE:</b>		\$17,191.24

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## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** May 7, 2015  
**To:** Pierce County Fire Chiefs  
**From:** Chief Cliff McCollum

I want to share some thoughts with you on the subject of the proposed County Mutual Aid Agreement. I know that this has been a long time coming with much discussion and debate along the way. As I remember the starting principle of this project was to establish an agreement that serves all agencies in Pierce County for the most part. Above all it needs to serve the needs of the citizens and the agencies that serve them.

We live in an All Hazards environment. The concept of mutual aid is based on a common understanding that all agencies cannot gear up for every possible emergency, and the best way for agencies to make sure help is available when they need it is to give help when others need it. This is more important than ever in the complicated All Hazards environment. Given the current economic and social climate, it is simply unrealistic to assume that a single agency has all the resources required to cope with any and all emergencies it may face.

This proposed agreement is largely based on the model mutual aid agreement adopted by the Washington Fire Chiefs Association. It is a good document with sound guidelines. I also agree that one size doesn't fit all and some modifications are needed. I think most of the modifications to the proposed agreements are sound with the exception of Section 2 of the agreement covering Response to Request. Specifically: *"provided that nothing in this document shall preclude such a party from refusing the request when the requesting agency has demonstrated by its recent history that that it is not capable of responding mutually and reciprocally to such party's possible request for mutual aid under the present circumstances."* This section seems to take decisions that should be made at the policy level and allows them to be made at the tactical level. This section leads me to believe that a "Commanding Officer", which is not defined, can make a turn down decision based on his or her perception of the capabilities or history of the requesting party. What if that resource was critical to the safety and well being of a citizen? I see this as a potential liability issue quite possibly extending to personal liability. Are we suggesting that a criterion for turn down is the lack of *like kind* assets? If so, then again we are negating the principles of mutual aid. In an All Hazards world does everyone need to have the exact same capabilities to be mutual aid partners?

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Of course not, for Sections 1 through 3 of the recitals clarifies the expectation of agency capabilities. If you never ask an agency for help, does that constitute history of that agency being unable to reciprocate? Doesn't the citizen in peril come first?

There has been discussions in the past with the State Auditors office regarding the state laws and the term **Gifting**. In essence, if an agency responds mutual aid at a higher level than it receives then that balance can be looked upon as supplementing or supporting that agency with tax payer dollars. This is indeed a problem that I believe the language of Section 2 meant to address. This decision however, should be made at the policy level and based on sound knowledge of the history and reciprocal capabilities of the requesting agencies. Not at the tactical level.

There is an easy solution to the **Gifting** issue. When the frequency of requests for mutual aid reach a level that could be construed as supplementing or supporting the requesting agency, put language in Section 5 allowing the agency furnishing the services to seek compensation. That makes it a policy level decision, a Chiefs decision.

Here is an example of language that could be added into Section 5: Each party further agrees that when the requesting agency has demonstrated by its recent history that it is not capable or willing to respond mutually, or the frequency of requests could be construed as supporting or supplementing service to another agency, then the providing agency may seek compensation for the services provided.

I believe that this practice may already exist between some agencies. I propose that Section 2, Response to Request and Section 5, Compensation be modified to read something like the following example:

*"2) Response to Request - Upon receipt of such request, the commanding officer of the party receiving the request shall immediately take the following action: a) Immediately respond with requested resources or contact the requesting agency's dispatch center with notification that a portion of or all of the resources requested are not available.*

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5) Compensation - Each party agrees that it will not seek compensation for "initial emergency services" rendered under this agreement from any party requesting assistance, **provided, however,** that services rendered after the initial emergency services period has ended will be fully compensable by the party seeking assistance, and may therefore be promptly invoiced by the responding agency. Each party further agrees that when the requesting agency has demonstrated by its recent history that it is not capable or willing to respond mutually, or the frequency of requests could be construed as supporting or supplementing service to another agency, then the providing agency may seek compensation for the services provided.

**Provided further,** that in the event of a natural disaster or emergency, regardless of the type of hazard (fire, earthquake, volcanic eruption, landslide, terrorist acts, etc) any party responding outside of its own jurisdiction may request reimbursement from any appropriate federal or state agency (such as FEMA or Washington State DNR) for all incurred costs of such responses, and **Provided further,** that this paragraph shall have no application to other emergency services rendered by any party to a federal agency whose property is located outside of the party's jurisdictional boundaries. Nor shall this paragraph apply to services rendered by a party to tribal trust lands, whether such lands lie within or outside of the party's jurisdictional boundaries. Extraterritorial service to federal properties and service to tribal trust lands, wherever situated, should be governed by written contract between the fire department and the agency or tribe."

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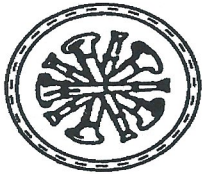
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This is a Chief's agreement that we are advocating. Let's keep the policy decisions at the Chief level when those decisions impact the safety and well being of citizens in peril.

Respectfully submitted,

Cliff McCollum



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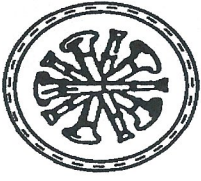
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<b>Joint Base Lewis McChord</b> AFZH-PWF Box 339500 MS 17 Bldg. 2014 Pendleton Ave. Fort Lewis, WA 98433 253-967-4479		James Elways, D/C	<a href="mailto:james.h.elways.civ@mail.mil">james.h.elways.civ@mail.mil</a>	
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<b>PC Fire Prevention Bureau</b> 2401 So. 35th St. Tacoma, WA 98409		Warner Webb, FM	<a href="mailto:wwebb@co.pierce.wa.us">wwebb@co.pierce.wa.us</a>	



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