

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

February 10, 2020

Chair of Committee

Date

Committee on Rural Affairs & Agriculture.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB20-1057 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 3, strike "(4.5)(d) and (9);" and substitute
2 "(4.5)(d), (6), and (9);".

3 Page 2, line 3, after "and (9);" insert "**repeal** (4)(d);" and after "(4.3),"
4 insert "(4.4)".

5 Page 3, line 1, after "contribution." insert "IN MEASURING AN IN-KIND
6 CONTRIBUTION FOR PURPOSES OF MEETING THE FIFTY PERCENT AND
7 TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT MATCHES REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (3),
8 "IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION" MAY INCLUDE VOLUNTEER HOURS PROVIDED BY
9 THE STAFF OF AN ENTITY OR ORGANIZATION APPLYING FOR GRANT
10 FUNDING AND THE TIME FOR WHICH STAFF RECEIVES MONETARY
11 COMPENSATION IN THE FORM OF SALARY OR OTHER FINANCIAL BENEFITS.
12 SUCH COMPENSATED TIME THAT COUNTS TOWARDS THE IN-KIND
13 CONTRIBUTION IS LIMITED TO THE ESTIMATED TIME OF PAID STAFF IN
14 PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING THE MITIGATION PROJECT."

15 Page 3, after line 5 insert:

16 "(4) **Eligibility requirements.** To be eligible to receive funding
17 under this section, a project must:

18 (d) ~~Include a diverse and balanced group of stakeholders as well~~
19 ~~as appropriate federal, state, county, and municipal government~~
20 ~~representatives in the design, implementation, and monitoring of the~~

1 project".

2 Page 3, after line 10 insert:

3 "(4.4) **Additional funding objectives.** AS PART OF THE
4 SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION, THE FOREST
5 SERVICE ENCOURAGES APPLICANTS TO INCLUDE ON THEIR GRANT
6 APPLICATION INFORMATION THAT INDICATES WHETHER THE PROJECT IS
7 SUPPORTED BY A DIVERSE AND BALANCED GROUP OF STAKEHOLDERS AS
8 WELL AS APPROPRIATE FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL
9 GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES IN THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION, AND
10 MONITORING OF THE PROJECT."

11 Page 3, after line 18 insert:

12 "(6) **Proposal selection.** After consulting with the technical
13 advisory panel established in subsection (5) of this section, the forest
14 service shall select the proposals that will receive funding through this
15 section. In carrying out approved projects, the project proponents shall,
16 whenever feasible, contract with the Colorado youth corps association or
17 an accredited Colorado youth corps to provide labor. THE GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY ENCOURAGES THE FOREST SERVICE TO MODIFY ITS
19 ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES UNDER THIS SECTION TO
20 ENABLE FUNDING TO BE PROVIDED TO GRANT RECIPIENTS IN MARCH TO
21 ENABLE WILDFIRE MITIGATION TO COMMENCE BEFORE THE PRIME WILDFIRE
22 SEASON STARTS IN JUNE."

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