



## SAN DIEGO COUNTY INDIAN GAMING LOCAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT COMMITTEE

### Application Form For FY 2011-2012 Grants

- A. Name of Jurisdiction: Lakeside Fire Protection District
- B. Mailing Address of Jurisdiction: 12216 Lakeside Ave.  
Lakeside Ave, Lakeside CA 92040

C. Name of Project: Lakeside Fire Patrol Unit

D. Impacts are associated with which casino(s)? Barona, Sycuan, Viejas

E. The following uses are the priorities for receipt of grant money.  
Please check all the priorities the project satisfies:

Law Enforcement	Fire Services X	Emergency Medical Services X
Environmental Impacts	Water Supplies	Waste Disposal
Behavioral Health	Public Health	Planning and Adjacent Land Uses
Roads	Recreation and Youth Programs	Child Care Programs

F. On a separate sheet, please provide the following:

- 1) A complete description of the project;
- 2) Evidence showing the relationship between the project and impacts on your jurisdiction associated with the particular casino(s) listed under "D" above, and data linking the percentage of the requested funding to the percentage of impacts associated with particular casinos (include the data source); and
- 3) An explanation of how the proposed project will mitigate impacts of casino(s).

G. Type of grant for which you are applying: (Check each that applies)

1. **60% Nexus Grant (note that only County of San Diego Offices and Departments are eligible for this type of grant)<sup>1</sup>** \_\_\_\_\_

2. **20% Non-Nexus Grant**   X  

These "20% Non-Nexus Grants" are intended only for local jurisdictions (County, cities and special districts) impacted by Barona and/or Sycuan Casinos.

3. **20% Non-Nexus Grant** \_\_\_\_\_

These "20% Non-Nexus Grants" are intended for local jurisdictions (County, cities and special districts) impacted by casinos of Tribes NOT paying into the Special Distribution Fund<sup>2</sup> and for assistance to local jurisdictions for one-time large capital projects.

H. What is the project's estimated time frame? 6 Months to take delivery

I. Proportionate share of the project expenditure that mitigates the impact from the casino(s): 50%

J. Amount of funding requested through this application: \$ \$152,674.36

K. What will be the total cost of the project? \$ \$152,674.36

L. If total cost of the project exceeds amount of funding requested, please name other sources of funding that will be contributed to the project and the amount provided by each source: \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> County of San Diego is the only "local government jurisdiction" that meets two or more nexus criteria.

<sup>2</sup> Campo, La Jolla (proposed), La Posta, Pala, Pauma, Rincón, San Pasqual, Santa Ysabel and Viejas Bands.

- M. On a separate sheet, please describe how you intend to meet the requirement that grant recipients must provide notice to the public, either through a slogan, signage or other mechanism, which states that the project has received funding from the Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund and further identifies the particular Individual Tribal Casino Account from which the grant derives.


Please e-mail the complete Application to [Eric.Lardy@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Eric.Lardy@sdcounty.ca.gov) AND hand-deliver or mail a copy with the page containing the original Authorized Signature to the following address **by March 16, 2012**.

County of San Diego  
 Attn. Mr. Eric Lardy  
 1600 Pacific Highway  
 Room 212, MS A6  
 San Diego, CA 92101

I, Bernard Molloy II, hereby acknowledge that the grant funds requested herein shall be used solely for the purpose that to the best of my knowledge mitigates impacts from casino projects. In compliance with AB 158, I agree to ensure that all grant funds received shall be deposited in a separate interest-bearing account; and at the completion of the project, I agree to return any earned interest or cost savings from the project to the County for reallocation by the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee.

Submitted by: Bernard Molloy II Title: Captain

(Print name)



(Authorized Signature)

Date: 3/10/11

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**Lakeside Fire Protection District and our relationship with local casinos:**

Lakeside Fire Protection District is proud to be an organization at the forefront of mutual and automatic aid in San Diego County. Lakeside Fire District feels that they are Operationally, Administratively and physically located in an excellent position to provide a cooperative fire service delivery to the residents of our District and the motoring public who traverse District roadways on the way to and from recreation (including Indian Gaming) in San Diego's East County. Lakeside Fire Protection District is an Independent Special District but cooperatively operates in the Central Zone Operational area for Emergency Response, Dispatching and Training. Barona, Viejas and Sycuan are also members of this cooperative area and Lakeside routinely responds onto Tribal Lands on structure fires, wild land fires, traffic collisions and medical aid incidents. Fire Agencies in the Central Zone have all agreed that the closest most appropriate unit be dispatched to an emergency regardless of jurisdictional boundary. In an area such as ours, where several fire districts and cities come together, this progressive approach to a "seamless boundary" delivers the quickest and most appropriate response to the public we serve. In our industry, where time equates to saving lives, this system has proven to be both efficient and valuable.

With this system of automatic aid in place, Lakeside Fire Protection District provides the second as well as the third Engine Company into the Barona Indian Reservation, as well as an additional Chief Officer. Lakeside Fire shares a contingent border with Barona. Additionally, the third in Engine Company into both the Sycuan and Viejas Indian Reservations respond from Lakeside. Under these automatic aid agreements Lakeside Fire Protection District is on the first alarm to Barona, Sycuan and Viejas for both commercial and wild land fires. We have seen this agreement in action over the years as we have fought both the Cedar and Witch Creek Fires on Tribal Lands and responded to a number of other incidents ranging from commercial structure responses in the casinos to medical aids. In addition to the responses onto the local Reservations, Lakeside Fire Protection District serves the main traffic routes used by reservation guests accessing all three casinos. These traffic arteries, such as Wildcat Canyon Road, and Interstate 8, have a high incidence of responses due partially to the large number of visitors to the casino they support. We look at these responses as part of our responsibility as a fire district, providing life safety and protection to the citizens and guests of our service area as well as those of our neighbors.

**Project Description:**

It is this protection of life safety, as well as a strong presence in the community for fire prevention activities is the basis for the request Lakeside Fire Protection District is submitting to the San Diego County Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee for the fiscal year 2011-2012 grant. Lakeside Fire District is looking for assistance from the Committee to secure funding for a NWCG Type VI Patrol (FIREScope Type 4) fire apparatus that would greatly improve the speed to which Lakeside Units could respond to life threatening wild land incidents on sovereign tribal



lands. This patrol unit, which would be routinely staffed with 2 Firefighters and capable of supporting up to 4, would be put in operation on days when the fire district deemed there to be a high fire threat, such as red flag warning days.

The Type VI unit Lakeside Fire is interested in acquiring is based on a 4x4 Ford 550 Truck Chassis and carries a 280-gallon water tank and fire pump along with a 17-gallon foam tank. This pump can quickly be initiated and can pump up to 3 discharges and one rapidly accessible hose reel that can quickly mitigate fires starting along the side of the road before they have a chance to progress to the point of a large scale fire. The cost of this unit is for a fully equipped Type VI, matching the units recently put into operation by Los Angeles County Fire Department.

Type VI units are utilized to patrol areas with the highest fire threat, to respond to fires with the goal to keep small fires small, and maintain a highly visible presence in these areas for a reminder to our citizens that fire prevention is the key to saving lives and protecting property. Keeping fires small helps address the three fire ground priorities; *LIFE SAFETY, FIRE CONTROL and PROPERTY CONSERVATION*. In addition to the rapid suppression capabilities of a type VI Patrol, the design of this unit provides for a great deal of versatility in the tasks it can carry out during a fire. Having a relatively small unit such as this patrol, would allow access to areas that would be challenging to regular Type III Brush Units, again being able to bring suppression efforts quickly to where the fire is without having to hike to put out the fire. These small and agile units are not readily found (but frequently needed) in San Diego's East County areas where the Wildland Urban Interface exists in large expanses of public, private and Tribal lands.

Another function of Patrol units found to be quite beneficial on the wild land fire ground is the ability of these units to aid with structure protection. It has become evident that a large majority of the structures that are being lost during these large-scale fires, like the Cedar and Witch Fires, are not lost to the initial fast moving flame front. Long after a flame front has passed, small embers that are lying against a house can result in a complete loss of a structure. This is an easily addressable problem but there has to be a patrol of the areas where the flame front has passed to extinguish these smoldering fires. This solution is hard to carry out because the need for the engines to stay in front of the fire leaves very few to mop up behind. Adding a Type VI to the apparatus inventory of the Lakeside Fire Protection District would help address the problem on the wild land fires we see in our area on a regular basis.

In addition to all of the suppression functions this apparatus serves, this unit would also be a fully equipped advanced life support unit able to provide full ALS level care to any ill or injured civilians or fire personnel until an ambulance is able to transport them to a hospital. In a wild land fire scenario EMS emergencies can be delayed as resources are stretched thin, having this unit available will add an additional mobile unit that is quickly able to respond to medical incidents within the larger fire incident. By being ALS capable, this unit provides a critical addition to our life saving arsenal and can respond both in the District but also as requested by the Tribal Fire Chief onto Tribal Lands at any time.

### **Mitigating the impact of the Casinos**

The popularity of the casinos surrounding Lakeside provides a large transient population that traverses our district every day to reach their final destination. Sycuan and Viejas both impact our district via Interstate 8 but the largest impact to our district by far comes from the Barona Casino. In a one-year period Lakeside Fire Protection District responds to over 100 calls on the Wildcat Canyon Road corridor, many of these responses are directly onto Tribal Lands. This information is based on actual run statistics from the Heartland Dispatch center. The primary route of travel accessing Barona is Wildcat Canyon Road, which travels through the heart of Lakeside. Thousands of cars per day travel up this road. When taking this route these cars are traveling through a canyon that has very high fire danger and has demonstrated that it is prone to explosive and deadly fire growth. (The fastest fire spread ever recorded occurred in this area during the Cedar Fire of 2003). With the large volume of automobile traffic traveling through this canyon to reach Barona Casino the threat of an errantly thrown cigarette or a malfunctioning automobile causing a fire is not only likely, it is a reality. The scenario that would play out on a hot dry day in the middle of the summer or an autumn Santa Ana Wind event with a wildfire burning on a crowded canyon road is something we should all work to avoid. Such an incident would affect hundreds of cars in the middle of a rapidly spreading fire with no way to turn around and no way to go forward. With the addition of a type VI Patrol unit, Lakeside Fire would have a critical tool to rapidly attack fires in this area and keep them from becoming major conflagrations.

Working together has proven to be what it takes to succeed in the fire service. Lakeside Fire Protection District looks forward to the opportunity to work with the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee to help gain access to the tools to help mitigate the effects that the traffic volume presented by the casinos bring to our community. Ensuring that casino guests have the opportunity to arrive safely at their destination as well as the safety of the impacted residents is the objective of our grant application.

### **Public Announcement**

The Lakeside Fire Protection District prides itself on having a strong relationship with the public we serve and our cooperating agencies. Lakeside has paved the way for open public information systems in the fire service, maintaining a community information blog and developing a social networking system that provides the public with information on both our daily operations and special events within the department. Through our public outreach we have developed many relationships with the local media and have used this to our advantage when we have public messages that we need to convey. It would be through this public information system, along with the well-respected Indian Gaming Grant logo so commonly seen on fire apparatus and other Fire vehicles in our region, that we would announce to the public who the funding agency of this apparatus is. This logo would be affixed to this apparatus proudly to let the public know that this tool was brought to them through the Indian Gaming Local Community

Benefit Committee. Lakeside Fire Protection District is dedicated to being a professional partner in this grant and is willing to make the public well aware of the funding source. In this time of diminishing public resources we are happy to explore other funding options and partnerships to meet the needs of our citizens and our neighbors.