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**Date:** Friday 18th March 2022

**Originator:** Gordon Bennie. Ad- Hoc committee members Fire Funds

**Purpose**: Detailed proposal for dispersal of underspend Fire tax Funds.

**Supporting Documents Included:**

Yes, full report, including Findings and Recommendations.

**Desired Action by the Board:**

Board action to Approve or Reject

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1. **Description:**

Ad-hoc committee to investigate best use of the dispersal of excess fire tax funds which have been built up over a few years, for the benefit of GMCSD/Wildland fire protection and GMCSD customers.

1. **Reason for Recommended Board Action -** (*Consider compliance, cost savings, fixing a problem*):

Clearly GMCSD has an excess of fire funds over several years, these recommendations will enable the GMCSD to fix several problems which relate to wildland fire and fire support.

1. **Anticipated Impacts to the District (negative and/or positive) -** (*Consider financial impact, change in procedures, customer and staff communication and effect if recommendations are not adopted*):

Please see that supporting document which will provide more details. This will have financial impact in the very short term as it spends part of the excess funds, it also provides a positive impact in support of quick attack vehicle for wildland and fire suppression support, in the event of fire within the district. Also provides continuity of service with our 3rd party fire contacts.

1. **Anticipated Impacts to the Customer –** *Standby, Residential, Commercial***:**

Has no negative Impact to GMCSD customers.

1. **Recommendation (s):**

Please see Detailed Report for all recommendations.