ACTION SHEET
PUBLIC UTILITES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 1/6/15

ISSUE NO. 14

Request for approval of Resolution No. 2016-_____. A resolution designating the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed as an area that is critical to the health and safety of the citizens of Santa Fe and a priority in reducing the ecological and economic hazards posed by wildfires; including the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed in the 25-Year Sustainable Santa Fe Plan; and directing staff to identify funding sources to develop projects. (Mayor Gonzales, Councilors Ives and Bushee) (Porfirio Chavarria)

Sustainable Santa Fe Commission (no quorum) – 12/16/2015
Public Utilities Committee – 1/6/2016
Finance Committee – 1/19/2016
Public Safety Committee – 1/26/2016
City Council – 1/27/2016

PUBLIC UTILITES COMMITTEE ACTION: Approved to forward to 1/19/2016 Finance Committee.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OR AMENDMENTS:

STAFF FOLLOW UP:

VOTE:	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
COUNCILOR RIVERA, CHAIR	X		
COUNCILOR MAESTAS	X		
COUNCILOR BUSHEE	X		
COUNCILOR DIMAS	Excused		
COUNCILOR IVES	X		

City of Santa Fe, New Mexico

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

Resolution No. 2016-___

Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed

SPONSOR(S): Mayor Gonzales, Councilors Ives and Bushee

SUMMARY: The proposed resolution designates the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed as an area that is critical to the health and safety of the citizens of Santa Fe and a priority in reducing the ecological and economic hazards posed by wildfires; including the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed in the 25-year sustainable Santa Fe plan; and directing staff to identify funding sources to develop projects.

PREPARED BY: Rebecca Seligman, Legislative Liaison Assistant

FISCAL IMPACT: No

DATE: December 10, 2015

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution
FIR

CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-__

INTRODUCED BY:

Mayor Javier M. Gonzales

Councilor Peter Ives

Councilor Patti Bushee

A RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING THE GREATER SANTA FE FIRE SHED AS AN AREA THAT IS CRITICAL TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE CITIZENS OF SANTA FE AND A PRIORITY IN REDUCING THE ECOLOGICAL AND ECONOMIC HAZARDS POSED BY WILDFIRES; INCLUDING THE GREATER SANTA FE FIRE SHED IN THE 25-YEAR SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE PLAN; AND DIRECTING STAFF TO IDENTIFY FUNDING SOURCES TO DEVELOP PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe receives roughly 40% of its drinking water from a forested watershed that is dominated by vegetation both adapted to wildfire and also at risk from high-intensity wildfire; and

WHEREAS, the health and safety of the citizens of Santa Fe are dependent on healthy forests and watersheds for a sustainable source of drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the economy of the City of Santa Fe is connected to the natural amenities that abut the city, largely on public lands managed by the Santa Fe National Forest, that are also dominated by vegetation both adapted to wildfire, and at risk from high-intensity wildfire; and

WHEREAS, the economy of the City of Santa Fe is dependent on scenic vistas, access to nearby forested trails and streams on public lands, access to Hyde Memorial State Park, picnic areas and scenic overlooks, and access to a successful downhill ski area; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned elements of the Santa Fe economy are at high risk from uncharacteristic high-intensity wildfire and subsequent floods and debris flows; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed affects City, County, State, Tribal, and Federal jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Fe adopted resolution 2010-75, strongly supporting wilderness designation for the inventoried roadless areas which are adjacent to the Pecos Wilderness and

WHEREAS, designated wilderness areas require special consideration and evaluation regarding active management and wildfire response; and

WHEREAS, coordination, collaboration, and cooperation between public, private, and non-profit groups have been shown to gain greater public support when working together; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Santa Fe Commission has been charged with developing and drafting a 25-Year Sustainability Plan that will benefit the environment and people of Santa Fe, and the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed is an important part of that plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE that the City establish the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed, shown on the attached Exhibit A, as a high priority area in need of fire risk reduction techniques such as thinning, and prescribed and managed fire.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed also be included in the 25-Year Sustainability Plan to identify the programs, policies and projects to make the landscape more resilient to wildfire, drought, pests and pathogens, and climate change so that the City will work together with the many affected public, private and non-profit partners

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff is directed to seek out identify funding sources necessary to fund projects pursuant to the goals of the Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____day of _____, 2016.

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JAVIER M. GONZALES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kelley A. Brennan

KELLEY A. BRENNAN, CITY ATTORNEY

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FIR No. 2754

City of Santa Fe
Fiscal Impact Report (FIR)

This Fiscal Impact Report (FIR) shall be completed for each proposed bill or resolution as to its direct impact upon the City's operating budget and is intended for use by any of the standing committees of and the Governing Body of the City of Santa Fe. Bills or resolutions with no fiscal impact still require a completed FIR. Bills or resolutions with a fiscal impact must be reviewed by the Finance Committee. Bills or resolutions without a fiscal impact generally do not require review by the Finance Committee unless the subject of the bill or resolution is financial in nature.

Section A. **General Information**

(Check) Bill: _____ Resolution: ___X___
(A single FIR may be used for related bills and/or resolutions)
Short Title(s): **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE GREATER SANTA FE FIRE SHED AS AN AREA THAT IS CRITICAL TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE CITIZENS OF SANTA FE AND A PRIORITY IN REDUCING THE ECOLOGICAL AND ECONOMIC HAZARDS POSED BY WILDFIRES; INCLUDING THE GREATER SANTA FE FIRE SHED IN THE 25-YEAR SUSTAINABLE SANTA FE PLAN; AND DIRECTING STAFF TO IDENTIFY FUNDING SOURCES TO DEVELOP PROJECTS.**

Sponsor(s): Mayor Gonzales, Councilors Ives and Bushee

Reviewing Department(s): Legislative Services/SFFD

Persons Completing FIR: Jesse Guillen/Porfirio Chavaria Date: 12/10/15 Phone: 955-6518/955-3119

Reviewed by City Attorney: Kelly A. Brennan (Signature) Date: 12/10/15

Reviewed by Finance Director: [signature] (Signature) Date: 12-10-2015

Section B. **Summary**
Briefly explain the purpose and major provisions of the bill/resolution:
This resolution would create a greater Santa Fe Fire Shed as a high priority area in need of fire risk reduction techniques. It would also include the Fire Shed in the city's 25-year sustainability plan, and direct staff to identify and seek necessary funding sources to complete the projects.

Section C. **Fiscal Impact**
Note: Financial information on this FIR does not directly translate into a City of Santa Fe budget increase. For a budget increase, the following are required:

a. The item must be on the agenda at the Finance Committee and City Council as a "Request for Approval of a City of Santa Fe Budget Increase" with a definitive funding source (could be same item and same time as bill/resolution)
b. Detailed budget information must be attached as to fund, business units, and line item, amounts, and explanations (similar to annual requests for budget)
c. Detailed personnel forms must be attached as to range, salary, and benefit allocation and signed by Human Resource Department for each new position(s) requested (prorated for period to be employed by fiscal year)*

1. Projected Expenditures:
a. Indicate Fiscal Year(s) affected – usually current fiscal year and following fiscal year (i.e., FY 03/04 and FY 04/05)
b. Indicate: "A" if current budget and level of staffing will absorb the costs
"N" if new, additional, or increased budget or staffing will be required
c. Indicate: "R" – if recurring annual costs
"NR" if one-time, non-recurring costs, such as start-up, contract or equipment costs
d. Attach additional projection schedules if two years does not adequately project revenue and cost patterns
e. Costs may be netted or shown as an offset if some cost savings are projected (explain in Section 3 Narrative)

Finance Director:_____

_____X_____ Check here if no fiscal impact

Column #: 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Expenditure Classification	FY _____	"A" Costs Absorbed or "N" New Budget Required	"R" Costs Recurring or "NR" Non-recurring	FY _____	"A" Costs Absorbed or "N" New Budget Required	"R" Costs – Recurring or "NR" Non-recurring	Fund Affected
Personnel*	$_____	_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____	_____
Fringe**	$_____	_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital Outlay	$_____	_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____	_____
Land/ Building	$_____	_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____	_____
Professional Services	$_____	_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____	_____
All Other Operating Costs	$_____	_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____	_____
Total:	$_____			$_____			

* Any indication that additional staffing would be required must be reviewed and approved in advance by the City Manager by attached memo before release of FIR to committees. **For fringe benefits contact the Finance Dept.

2. Revenue Sources:

a. To indicate new revenues and/or

b. Required for costs for which new expenditure budget is proposed above in item 1.

Column #: 1	2	3	4	5	6
Type of Revenue	FY _____	"R" Costs Recurring or "NR" Non-recurring	FY _____	"R" Costs – Recurring or "NR" Non-recurring	Fund Affected
_____	$_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____
_____	$_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____
_____	$_____	_____	$_____	_____	_____
Total:	$_____		$_____		

3. Expenditure/Revenue Narrative:

Explain revenue source(s). Include revenue calculations, grant(s) available, anticipated date of receipt of revenues/grants, etc. Explain expenditures, grant match(s), justify personnel increase(s), detail capital and operating uses, etc. (Attach supplemental page, if necessary.)

N/A.

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Section D. **General Narrative**

1. Conflicts: Does this proposed bill/resolution duplicate/conflict with/companion to/relate to any City code, approved ordinance or resolution, other adopted policies or proposed legislation? Include details of city adopted laws/ordinance/resolutions and dates. Summarize the relationships, conflicts or overlaps.

None identified.

2. Consequences of Not Enacting This Bill/Resolution:

Are there consequences of not enacting this bill/resolution? If so, describe.

Consequences from not enacting this bill reduces the amount of influence the City of Santa Fe has when federal, state, and private dollars are spent to manage forests that directly and indirectly affect the Santa Fe Municipal Watershed, citizen health and safety, recreation, and economy.

3. Technical Issues:

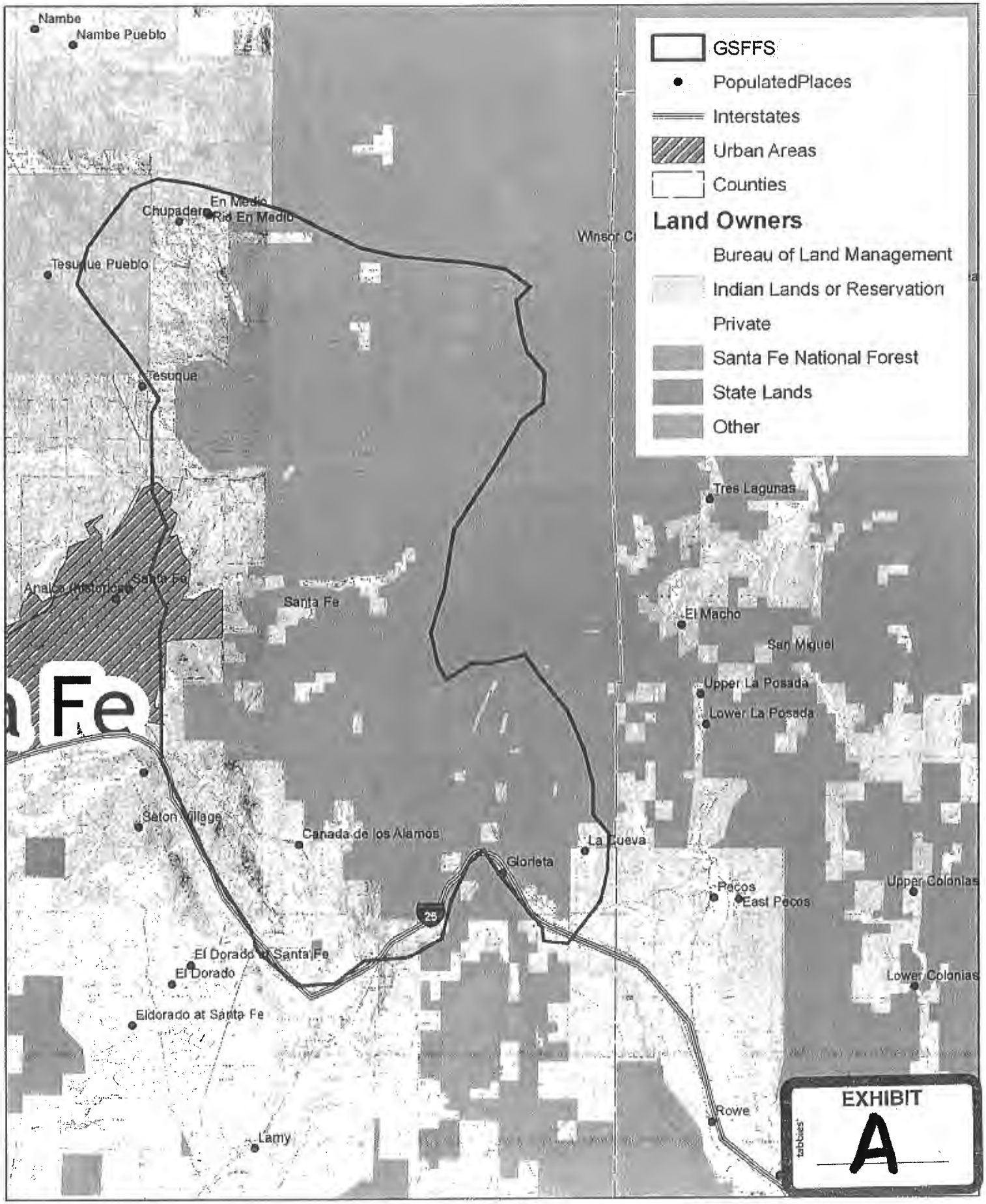
Are there incorrect citations of law, drafting errors or other problems? Are there any amendments that should be considered? Are there any other alternatives which should be considered? If so, describe.

None identified.

4. Community Impact:

Briefly describe the major positive or negative effects the Bill/Resolution might have on the community including, but not limited to, businesses, neighborhoods, families, children and youth, social service providers and other institutions such as schools, churches, etc.

The purpose of this resolution is to increase economic and ecological resiliency in the event a natural disaster were to affect the forested areas surrounding Santa Fe. Increasing resiliency and sustainability from a wildfire, which have been shown to be a necessary component in southwestern forests, maintains and addresses safety to businesses, neighborhoods, families, youth, and other institutions who rely on the natural environment. The community is impacted with studies to gain a better understanding of the forest ecosystems where we live and give the capability to decision makers to make sound and informed management decisions.



Fire Adapted Communities:
Greater Santa Fe Fire Shed, 2015

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