

WRITING A PROJECT PROPOSAL FOR A ROSCOMMON EQUIPMENT CENTER (REC) PROGRAM

The National Association of State Foresters (NASF) sponsors the Roscommon Equipment Center to provide state wildfire agencies an additional resource for solving your equipment development needs or problems. The REC engineering staff has experience in fire engine design, U.S. military equipment and its conversion to fire use, heavy equipment, and other mechanical design. The REC website provides a list of past projects and many reports that give an additional overview.

REC project proposals are reviewed by a committee determined by the NASF. Each proposal will be answered. If the REC program cannot address the problem, we will look for other answers of resolution.

Project proposals can be sent any time. A proposal form is provided to help you with the process. Although it is not necessary to use the form, the information asked by it helps the committee assess the situation easily and makes for a greater likelihood of success. Please let us know if you have any questions about this process.

Title: Give the proposed project a short, descriptive title. If approved, the Project Committee may alter the title to fit a more general purpose.

Prepared by: Indicate the requesting agency and the name and telephone number of the contact person who has knowledge of the project proposal.

Date: This is the date the agency is proposing the project.

Situation: Describe the current problems or needs that have instigated the development of this proposal. General examples may be the high cost of currently available products; a need for which there are no available products currently on the market; or to satisfy a lack of information about a special product that may require testing.

Objective: Tell what you hope the project, if accepted, will accomplish. In case of a design project, you need not design it yourself; but if there are important parameters include them in your objective. An example of an objective may be "to assess the suitability of Military M-548 vehicle for wildfire use and, if suitable, to design a fire package that is safe and efficient".

Estimated Benefits: What advantages will completion of this project provide your agency?

Previous or Current Related Work: If you know of any work that has been done in a similar nature to the project, please provide what information you can.

Note: Space below the dash-line is for project committee use. If you need more space, attach additional sheets.

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Special Requirements:

Estimated Benefits & Costs:

Known Previous or Current Related Work:

FOR COMMITTEE USE

Committee Action:

Project Number Assignment (if approved):

Committee Modification to Proposal: