

Kenai Peninsula Borough
Bear Creek Fire
A Service Area of the Kenai Peninsula Borough

MEMORANDUM

TO: Wayne Ogle, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor *CP*

FROM: Connie Bacon, BCFSA Fire Chief *CB*

DATE: April 5, 2018

RE: Resolution 2018-020, Approving a Cooperative Agreement Documenting an Emergency Response Assistance Relationship Between the U.S. Department of the Interior National Park Service and the Kenai Peninsula Borough on Behalf of the Bear Creek Fire Service Area (Mayor)

The Bear Creek Fire Service Area ("BCFSA") borders the Kenai Fjords National Park ("Park") which is run by the National Park Service. Both agencies are interested in entering an agreement that provides for cooperation during emergency responses and allows both agencies to operate outside of their jurisdiction to provide such services. Additionally, the Park owns buildings located in close proximity to the BCFSA and is willing to authorize the BCFSA to use its buildings and some of its lands for training purposes.

BCFSA and the Park entered into a similar cooperative agreement in 2013, approved by the assembly through resolution 2013-026. That agreement has since expired by its terms and a new agreement is required. This resolution authorizes the mayor to sign a cooperative agreement substantially in the form accompanying the resolution.

This matter is scheduled to come before the BCFSA board at its April 10, 2018 meeting. The recommendations of the BCFSA board will be provided to the assembly prior to its consideration of this resolution.

Your consideration is appreciated.