



## Recommendation for Action

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize execution of an interlocal agreement with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) for prescribed fire training of Austin Fire Department personnel by TPWD personnel through TPWD's prescribed fire operations, for a five year term.

### **Lead Department**

Austin Fire Department

### **Fiscal Note**

This item has no fiscal impact.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

The purpose of this Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin, acting by and through the Austin Fire Department (AFD), and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) is to provide opportunities for AFD to capitalize on prescribed fire training, gain knowledge of fire behavior and a better understanding of the role of prescribed fire in ecosystem restoration. This important experience will be gained through supporting the implementation of TPWD prescribed fire operations on State managed lands. TPWD will mutually benefit by having additional qualified labor available to implement prescribed fires on TPWD managed properties.