

Baldwin County Commission

Legislation Text

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Meeting Date: 11/16/2021

Item Status: New

From: Matthew Brown, Planning and Zoning Director

Submitted by: Ashley Campbell, Natural Resource Planner

ITEM TITLE

University of Alabama - NOAA National Integrated Drought Information Service Grant Proposal - Letter of Support

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve and authorize Chairman to execute a Letter of Support for the University of Alabama's NOAA National Integrated Drought Information Service Grant Proposal entitled "An Ecological Drought Forecasting Framework for Headwater Wetlands of the Southeast US Coastal Plain."

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Previous Commission action/date: N/A

Background: The Environmental Advisory Committee received a request from the University of Alabama for a letter of support for Dr. Hamid Moradkhani's NOAA National Integrated Drought Information Service Grant Proposal, entitled "An Ecological Drought Forecasting Framework for Headwater Wetlands of the Southeast US Coastal Plain."

On November 2, 2021, the EAC discussed the request and determined that the planning and evaluation tools could be valuable to local natural resource planners. The EAC unanimously voted to support the University of Alabama's grant application and is asking the Commission to approve and execute the letter of support.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Total cost of recommendation: N/A

Budget line item(s) to be used: N/A

If this is not a budgeted expenditure, does the recommendation create a need for funding? N/A

LEGAL IMPACT

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Is legal review necessary for this staff recommendation and related documents?

N/A

Reviewed/approved by: N/A

Additional comments: N/A

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS

Is advertising required for this recommendation? N/A

If the proof of publication affidavit is not attached, list the reason: N/A

FOLLOW UP IMPLEMENTATION

For time-sensitive follow up, select deadline date for follow up: N/A

Individual(s) responsible for follow up: N/A

Action required (list contact persons/addresses if documents are to be mailed or emailed):

Mail original letter of support to:

Dr. Hamid Moradkhani
Director, Center for Complex Hydrosystems Research (CCHR)
Department of Civil, Construction and Environmental Engineering
The University of Alabama, 1030 Cyberhall, Box 870205
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35487

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Additional instructions/notes: N/A