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MEETING DATE: January 27, 2026

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Thomas Kenney, Deputy Director, Emergency Management

DESCRIPTION: Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Federal Funding Provided to Fire Protection Districts Assisting in Coverage of the Pike National Forest Lands in Douglas County.

SUMMARY: Beginning in 2002 and every year thereafter, Douglas County has provided supplemental funding for fire districts that respond to incidents in the Pike National Forest area of Douglas County. These districts are the Jackson 105 Fire, Larkspur Fire, Mountain Communities Volunteer Fire, North Fork Fire, West Douglas Fire, and West Metro Fire.

For 2026, the County approved \$100,000 to be distributed amongst the six (6) districts. These districts responded 172 times to the Pike National Forest in 2025. The 2026 distribution is based on a cost per call set at \$581.00. The final numbers were rounded to distribute as follows:

Jackson 105 Fire	34 calls	\$19,765.33
Larkspur	11 calls	\$ 6,402.33
Mountain Communities	51 calls	\$ 29,642.33
North Fork Fire	36 calls	\$ 20,927.33
West Douglas Fire	37 calls	\$ 21,508.33
West Metro Fire	3Calls	\$ 1,754.34

TOTAL		\$100,000.00
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RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve, acknowledge, and distribute checks to the fire districts represented at the meeting.

REVIEW:

Tim Hallmark	Approve	1/13/2026
Jeff Garcia	Approve	1/16/2026
Christie Guthrie	Approve	1/20/2026
Doug DeBord	Approve	1/21/2026

ATTACHMENTS:
2026 PILT Breakdown