

## Buncombe County Agenda Item Information Sheet

<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> Budget Amendment to Create New Grant Account \$71,000 for “2015 DPR9 Message Boards”	
<b>MEETING DATE:</b> 10/20/2015	
<b>REQUESTED BY:</b> Jerry VeHaun	
<b>Background information</b> Buncombe County is part of North Carolina Domestic Preparedness Region 9 (DPR9). DPR9 consists of the 12 westernmost counties and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. NC Emergency Management created the DPRs to regionalize the distribution of Homeland Security Grant funding and to encourage regional Homeland Security Planning. The DPR9 leadership determined there is a need for mobile message boards throughout the region. The programmable sign boards will be hosted by Emergency Management but available to all emergency response agencies throughout the region. <b>Buncombe County has received \$71,000 in 2015 State Homeland Security Grant Program funds for this project.</b> This will fund the purchase of 5 mobile message boards to be placed strategically throughout the region to be available to emergency response agencies throughout DPR9 for use during emergencies and planned events.	
<b>Pro’s</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increased capability to support traffic routing during emergencies and planned events.</li><li>• Increased capability for public alert and notification.</li></ul>	<b>Con’s</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None</li></ul>
<b>Funds required</b>  <b>Project solely supported by grant funding. No County funds required.</b>	
<b>Alternatives</b>  <b>None – Counties in DPR 9 have no other funding to support this project.</b>	
<b>Action recommended:</b>  Budget amendment to create new revenue and expenditure accounts for this grant project.	