

Buncombe County Agenda Item Information Sheet

AGENDA ITEM: Budget Amendment to Create New Grant Account \$54,000 for “2015 DPR9 Rapid Deployment Tent/Heater Project”	
MEETING DATE: 10/20/2015	
REQUESTED BY: Jerry VeHaun	
Background information 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 rapid deployment tent packages throughout the region. The 15X18 insulated tents are capable of supporting various types of emergency response as well as planned events. The units can be set up with only 2 personnel and the packages include HVAC making them usable in all types of weather. These packages will be hosted by Emergency Management but available to all emergency response agencies throughout the region. Buncombe County has received \$54,000 in 2015 State Homeland Security Grant Program funds for this project. This will fund the purchase of 3 rapid deployment tent packages to be placed strategically throughout the region to be available to emergency response agencies throughout DPR9 for use during emergencies and planned events.	
Pro’s <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increased capability to support Public Safety operations during emergencies and planned events.• Increased capability for extended operations during inclement weather.	Con’s <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
Funds required Project solely supported by grant funding. No County funds required.	
Alternatives None – Counties in DPR 9 have no other funding to support this project.	
Action recommended: Budget amendment to create new revenue and expenditure accounts for this grant project.	

