



Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 2/1/2021

Consent Agenda

Department:

Budget

Presenter(s):

John Hudson, Budget

Contact(s):

Jennifer Harrison, Agriculture & Land Resources

Subject:

Rental Equipment for Small Farms Grant

Brief Summary:

Buncombe County Agriculture & Land Resources was awarded \$24,499 from the NC Tobacco Trust Fund Commission to purchase farming equipment. The department will purchase a lime and a manure spreader to make available for rent for small farms. Liming and manure application aid in soil fertility, soil health, and increased water retention. The equipment will be available to any Buncombe County landowner, with an estimated 100 renting the equipment over the first 5 years. No new county funds are required.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action:

- 1) Accept grant
- 2) Approve budget amendment

County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:

County Manager recommends as presented