



Legislation Text

File #: 16-0399, **Version:** 1

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Resource Management

Vendor: Friends of the Forest Preserves, Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County ("the Preserves") to extend contract

Good(s) or Service(s): The Chicago Conservation Leadership Corps internship program

Original Contract Period: 2/18/2014 - 12/31/2016

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 1/1/2017 - 12/31/2017

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$900,000.00

Original Approval: 2/18/2014

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: \$300,000.00

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2017 \$300,000.00

Accounts: 09-6758 Intern Programs, 09-6750 Habitat Restoration, 09-6755 Habitat Enhancement, 09-6757 Potential Grant Match & Work, Grant Accounts 10-5800, 10-6750 and 10-6757

Contract Number(s): 13-31-118

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Chicago Conservation Leadership Corps program engages high-school aged youth and adult leaders in hands-on ecological restoration activities, including invasive species control through various removal methods. The program is an intensive six week internship that promotes stewardship of natural lands by the next generation of conservation leaders through ecologically based educational activities, conservation awareness, hands-on restoration, and enjoyment of the Preserves. The original three (3) year contract was approved by the Board on 2/18/2014 and expires

12/31/2016. The Preserves would like to extend Contract #13-31-118 for an additional twelve (12) months. A new RFQ will be issued in the third quarter of 2017.

This program advances the goals of the Next Century Conservation Plan.