



AGENDA ITEM

DATE: October 27, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

TO: Douglas County Board of County Commissioners

THROUGH: Douglas J. DeBord, County Manager

FROM: Michael Alexander, Director, Office of Emergency Management
Tim Hallmark, Director, Facilities, Fleet and Emergency Support Services
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SUBJECT: **Climate-Controlled Helicopter Hangar Proposal, Wildfire Mitigation Program Restructure, Prescribed Burn Program Update**

BACKGROUND

With more than 66% of Douglas County's population living in the Wildland Urban Interface, Douglas County has invested significant resources into reducing the threat of wildfire to life and property. Through the establishment of the Wildfire Action Collaborative (WAC), a channel was created to advance critical risk reduction initiatives to the Board of County Commissioners (Board) for consideration. Concepts which have been presented to the WAC and have received unanimous support include the construction of a permanent helicopter hangar, a proposal to restructure the existing wildfire mitigation section and re-implementation of a prescribed burn program on county-owned lands.

NEXT STEPS

Staff are prepared to provide the Board with detailed reports on these topics and answer any questions.