Draft RFP Elements for the Fire Mechanics Health Study Pursuant to AB 1400 (2019)

For Discussion Purposes Only –

Commission on Health and Safety and Workers Compensation

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Facilitate equal access:

- 90-day application period
- Appropriate extensions as needed
- Notification of UC and CSU centers, not-for-profit entities, public agencies





Ensure worker participation:

- Work collaboratively with AFSCME,
 IAM and other labor organizations
- Incorporate fire mechanics statewide into the study





Adhere to scientific standards (1):

- Literature review
- Qualitative exposure assessment
- Quantitative exposure assessment for the most serious hazards, including carcinogens





Adhere to scientific standards (2):

- Characterize health risks in shop work
- Basic exposure survey of fire response hazards
- Hierarchy of controls for recommendations to eliminate or substantially reduce health risks





Communicate findings:

- Draft report, prepare presentations
- Present findings
- Publish findings and recommendations in peer-reviewed journal
- Prioritize open-access journals





Cal/OSHA expresses our appreciation:

- To the members and leadership of AFSCME for your commitment to the safety and health of California's fire mechanics
- To the Commission and Staff of CHSWC for your dedication to scientific integrity and accountability



