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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Nevada
950 Maidu Avenue
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DATE OF MEETING: April 12, 2016

SUBJECT: Letter to Assembly Member Richard Bloom, Chair of the Assembly Budget Subcommittee on Resources and Transportation, requesting that an additional \$2.6 million needed to complete the Bridgeport Bridge renovation project be programmed in the 2016-2017 State budget cycle and that the monies be secured in a special fund for the construction to begin in 2018.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached letter.

FUNDING: None.

BACKGROUND:

The 2014-15 State budget included \$1.3 million to cover the original estimate to stabilize and fully restore and reopen the Bridgeport bridge. The project is proceeding on schedule; however, following an extensive assessment of the condition of the Bridge and the work needed to completely renovate the structure, a new cost estimate for the work now stands at \$3.9 million.

The revised estimate includes approximately \$3.5 million to cover increased construction costs. In addition, State Parks feels it would be prudent to increase the construction contingency by \$379,000, above the standard 7 percent included in the base estimate, for a revised project total of \$3,918,389. The increased contingency would put State Parks in a better position to address unforeseen conditions during construction, if necessary.

The additional \$2.6 million for this project was not included in the Governor's initial 2016-17 budget, but the Save our Bridge Committee, SYRCL, myself and others now plan to request an allocation in the May Revise to ensure the funds are available when construction begins. I am seeking your support to send a message to the Legislature that the full Board is united in this request, and ensure the bridge will be able to withstand future flooding and storms; hopefully lasting for another 150 years or more. Therefore, I request you approve the attached letter.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Hank Weston".

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