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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: August 20, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rachel Peña

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Counties of Butte, Colusa, Sutter and Yuba for the provision of Disaster CalFresh Emergency Mutual Aid, from date of execution through June 30, 2027.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: There is no cost to enter into this MOU.

BACKGROUND: When disaster strikes, and evacuations are in place, mandatory or not, individuals and families will often cross county lines to seek out shelter with friends and family or others. As a result, households may apply for Disaster CalFresh (D-CalFresh) benefits in counties outside of their counties of permanent residence. Additionally, depending on the extent of the disaster impact, county operations may be disrupted in the disaster area and additional support from regional, or statewide County Welfare Departments (CWD) will be needed.

By entering into a regional mutual aid agreement with the Counties of Butte, Colusa, Sutter and Yuba, Nevada will be prepared to continue to provide vital social services programs, including D-CalFresh, to the community during disasters. Additionally, under the provisions of AB 607, all counties are required to submit a D-CalFresh county plan annually, which includes a mutual aid region made up of two or more counties.

It is recommended that the Board approve this MOU, as the agreement between the mutual aid counties will ensure that Nevada County residents will have access to vital services in the event of an emergency.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Rachel Peña, LCSW Director of Social Services