



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING SIERRA NEVADA CONSERVANCY FUNDS, FOR THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON WILDFIRE DEFENSE PROJECT GRANT (SNC NO. 1836), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,027,721, FOR USE THROUGH JANUARY 1, 2030, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TO EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE GRANT, AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 EMERGENCY SERVICES BUDGET (4/5 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED)

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada has a severe and present danger from wildfire and a significant proportion of Nevada County acreage is USDA Forest Service and Tahoe National Forest land; and

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada Office of Emergency Services (OES) and Tahoe National Forest (TNF) both have a vested interest in supporting wildfire resilient communities, and landscapes, in Nevada County by securing funding for and collaboratively implementing projects on or with benefit to National Forest System (NFS) lands; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Washington is surrounded by the Tahoe National Forest and represents one of the most vulnerable fire hazard areas in Nevada County, as identified in the 2025 Community Wildfire Protection Plan (Resolution 25-604) and the 2024 Evacuation Study (File No. 24-0695); and

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2025, the Board of Supervisors authorized OES to submit a grant application to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) Wildfire and Forest Resilience Directed Grant Program (Resolution 25-386) for the Town of Washington Wildfire Defense Project; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2026, the Town of Washington Wildfire Defense Project grant (SNC No. 1836) was awarded to the County of Nevada Office of Emergency Services in the amount of \$1,027,721; and

WHEREAS, the project would address 172 acres of hazardous vegetation along two critical evacuation routes for the Town of Washington, Washington Road, and Alpha Road; and

WHEREAS, the project would take place on the Tahoe National Forest lands and thus the appropriate authority is required for OES to implement this work; and

WHEREAS, authority to implement the Town of Washington Wildfire Defense Project (SNC No. 1836) is included in the Evacuation Safety Corridor and Protection Enhancements (ESCAPE) Good Neighbor Agreement between the USDA Forest Service and OES (SR 26-0583), which is being brought to the Board of Supervisors as a separate item.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, approves and accepts Sierra Nevada Conservancy funds for the Town of Washington Wildfire Defense Project Grant (SNC No. 1836), in the amount of \$1,027,721, for use through January 1, 2030, authorizes the Director of Emergency Services to execute the grant agreement and to complete all documents necessary to fulfill the requirements of the grant, and directs the Auditor-Controller to amend the fiscal year 2026/27 budget (4/5 affirmative vote required) as follows:

Increase:

FD1000 CC20702 PG4141000 SC21520	\$1,027,721
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