



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION ADOPTING ADDITIONAL RESOLUTION LANGUAGE RELATING TO APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD (FUNDER) FOR THE SIERRA FOOTHILL FOREST CLIMATE RESILIENCE PROJECT

WHEREAS, Emergency Preparedness is an Objective of the County of Nevada Board of Supervisors with a focus on wildfire by improving countywide evacuation routes and safety, continuing to strengthen early alert and critical communication systems, partnering closely with residents and community partners in emergency preparedness, defensible space, home hardening, green waste disposal, and fire-safe land stewardship; and

WHEREAS, funds were made available to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the enhancement or restoration of fish and wildlife habitat and for the development of public access facilities for hunting, fishing or other wildlife-oriented recreational uses; and

WHEREAS, the Sierra Foothill Forest Climate Resilience Project (SFFCRP) will improve forest health and reduce catastrophic wildfire risk using climate-smart management practices across multiple private and Federal parcels in Nevada City, California; and

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada Office of Emergency Services intends to implement the Sierra Foothill Forest Climate Resilience Project (SFFCRP) which will restore mixed-conifer oak woodland across multiple private and federal parcels in the Sierra Nevada foothills; and

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada Office of Emergency Services (OES) submitted a grant proposal to the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) in partnership with local non-profit Sierra Streams Institute for the SFFCRP on February 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS, retroactive permission to apply for this grant was brought to the Board of Supervisors and approved on March 14, 2023 (No. 23-114); and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Conservation Board is prepared to bring forward a recommendation to fund this project at their Board of Directors meeting on August 24, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Conservation Board requires that the Office of Emergency Services, as the grant applicant, provide an approved and adopted resolution using the WCB agency-approved template; and

WHEREAS, the grant award will be brought to the County of Nevada Board of Supervisors for acceptance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that the Board of Supervisors hereby:

1. Adopts this resolution approving the filing of an application for funding from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the Sierra Foothill Forest Climate Resilience Project (SFFCRP); and
2. Certifies that said Applicant will comply with all federal, state and local environmental, public health, and other appropriate laws and regulations applicable to the project and will obtain or will ensure that the other project partners obtain all appropriate permits applicable to the project; and
3. Further commits to the terms and conditions specified in the grant agreement; and
4. Appoints the Director of the Office of Emergency Services as a representative(s) of County of Nevada to conduct negotiations, execute, submit and sign all documents including but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests, and other documents which may be necessary for the completion of the proposed project.