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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** March 22, 2016

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Jill Blake**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of A-01 to Agreement Number 14-10909 with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Emergency Preparedness Office, for *Supplemental Funding for Ebola Preparedness and Response Project* in the amount of \$66,981 to extend the termination date of the grant from September 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has made available supplemental federal monies as part of the Public Health Emergency Program (PHEP) specifically for funding Ebola Preparedness and Response Activities. In California, the funds are being distributed to local health jurisdictions (LHJs) through separate funding agreements with the California Department of Public Health with the goal to further build local health capacity and capability for response to infectious diseases with a focus on EVD (Ebola Virus Disease). Funds will be used to support trainings, purchase protective equipment and support contracted hours of the County's Public Health Officer. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement and there is no associated budget amendment needed.

**BACKGROUND:** Your Board approved Agreement Number 14-10909 with the CDPH Emergency Preparedness Office, and accepted funds in the amount of \$66,981 for implementation of the supplemental funding for Ebola preparedness and response per Resolution 15-163. The Ebola epidemic is the largest in history, affecting multiple countries in West Africa. Ebola, previously known as Ebola hemorrhagic fever, is a rare and virulent disease caused by infection with one of the Ebola virus strains. It is named after the Ebola River where the virus was first discovered.

There are five identified Ebola virus species, four of which are known to cause disease in humans. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and its state and local partners continue to take

precautions to prevent the spread of Ebola within the United States. There have been no confirmed cases in California.

This allocation is designated for the planning, training and preparation activities for the Ebola virus, or any other emerging virus. Nevada County Public Health's Emergency Preparedness will focus on the following capabilities:

- **Community Preparedness:** Part of this allocation will be spent on training both PH staff and other healthcare community leaders to respond to this type of event; and a portion will be allocated to the Public Health Officer's contract to help with his hours needed for such planning and training activities;
- **Responder Health and Safety:** Money will also be spent on the purchase and training for the specific Personal Protective Equipment needed to safely manage an Ebola patient.

The Amendment before you today extends the Grant term for 9 months to allow for the continuance of activities which ensure our community and residents are educated and prepared to respond to such a disease outbreak.

**Item Initiated and Approved by: Jill Blake, MPA Director of Public Health,**