

RESOLUTION No.____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN VESTRA RESOURCES INC. AND THE NEVADA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE LOWER DEER CREEK-PENN VALLEY HAZARDOUS FUELS REDUCTION PROJECT (HMGP DR-4683-1084-57) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$547,646 FOR USE DURING THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 18, 2025 THROUGH JULY 26, 2026, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT, AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2025/26 EMERGENCY SERVICES BUDGET (4/5 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED)

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada has a severe and present danger from wildfire; and

WHEREAS, the Lower Deer Creek – Penn Valley Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project is adjacent to the Lake Wildwood community in Penn Valley, one of five communities identified in the 2024 Evacuation Study (File No. 24-0695) as the most evacuation-limited County-wide and within the 2025 Nevada County Community Wildfire Protection Plan's Highest Project Priorities Areas (RES. 25-064); and

WHEREAS, permission to apply for this grant was brought to the Board of Supervisors and approved on August 8, 2023 (Res. 23-420); and

WHEREAS, FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program awarded the grant for the Lower Deer Creek – Penn Valley Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project (HMGP DR 4683-1084-57) and these funds were accepted by the Board of Supervisors on March 25, 2025 (Res. 25-105); and

WHEREAS, a request for proposal (RFP. 203089) was released on July 17, 2025, to identify a vendor to complete the required Phase 1 project activities, including environmental compliance, treatment design, permitting activities, biological surveying, cultural surveying, desktop reviews, preparation of technical studies and reports, and developing a prescription plan for Phase 2; and

WHEREAS, VESTRA Resources Inc. was identified as the most qualified firm with the necessary experience, expertise, and qualifications required to complete the Phase 1 task through the competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Services will contract with VESTRA Resources Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$547,646 to complete environmental compliance and treatment design services for approximately 1,011 acres to protect critical infrastructure, create safe ingress for first responders and egress for evacuating residents, and support watershed protection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, approves the contract between VESTRA Resources Inc. and the Nevada County Office of Emergency Services for the Lower Deer Creek – Penn Valley Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project (HMGP DR 4683-1084-57) in the amount of \$547,646 for use during the period November 18, 2025 through July 26, 2026, authorizes the Director of Emergency Services to execute the Contract, authorizes the Purchasing Agent to execute amendments to the Contract for necessary extensions of time and/or contingency allowance up to 10% (\$54,764.30), and directs the Auditor Controller to amend the Office of Emergency Services Fiscal Year 2025/26 budget as follows:

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