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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 9, 2026

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Trisha Tillotson, Community Development Agency Director

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing application submittal for a United States Department of Agriculture Rural Business Development grant, for a total amount not to exceed \$500,000, and authorizing the Community Development Agency Director or their designee to act as the Authorized Organizational Representative (AOR) for grant applications. (All Districts) (Federal Award)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve a resolution authorizing application submittal for a United States Department of Agriculture Rural Business Development grant, up to \$500,000.

FUNDING: Federal grant funding with no minimum or maximum award amount for funding fiscal year 2026/27. If awarded, an amendment will be necessary to include the grant funds. No additional general funds would be needed.

BACKGROUND: The United States Department of Agriculture Rural Business Development released Notices of Funding Opportunities on May 14, 2026, with grant applications due June 15, 2026. Specifically, the Agriculture Rural Business Development grant (<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-programs/rural-business-development-grants>) are currently being evaluated with community partners to determine the most competitive project(s) to submit for.

Awards are anticipated to be announced by August 31, 2026, for regular awards. Grant-funded projects must be completed within the performance period of June 1, 2026, through September 30, 2028, and are expected to be substantially completed within one year of project initiation.

Due to the short timeframe for grant applications to be submitted, staff are recommending that the Board authorize application in advance with the understandings listed in the attached resolution. Any grants recommended for award will be returned to the Board for authorization to accept the grant or decline. Meanwhile, staff will work with community partners to develop project specific information and will put together a grant application and submit it by the deadline of June 15, 2026.

Attachments: Resolution

Item Initiated and Approved by: Trisha Tillotson, Community Development Agency Director