



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE WILDLIFE
CONSERVATION BOARD GRANT FOR THE SIERRA
FOOTHILL FOREST CLIMATE RESILIENCE PROJECT
(WC-2340KM) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,396,000 FOR USE
DURING THE PERIOD OCTOBER 3, 2023 THROUGH
MARCH 31, 2027, RATIFYING THE GRANT AGREEMENT
DATED OCTOBER 3, 2023, AND AUTHORIZING THE
DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TO
EXECUTE ALL ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED
TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE GRANT ON
BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA**

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 brought forward a recommendation to fund this project at their Board of Directors meeting on August 24, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Wildlife Conservation Board subsequently awarded funding for the SFFCRP and issued a Notice to Proceed on October 3, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, accepts the Wildlife Conservation Board grant for the Sierra Foothill Forest Climate Resilience Project (WC-2340KM) in the amount of \$2,396,000 during the period October 3, 2023 through March 31, 2027, ratifies the execution of the grant agreement dated October 3, 2023, and authorizes the Director of Office of Emergency Services to execute the grant agreement and all additional documents required to fulfill the requirements of the grant on behalf of the County of Nevada.

Funding:
0101-20702-414-1000 / 445200 \$2,396,000