



RESOLUTION No. 26-386

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE BUDGET AUGMENTATION OF \$50,000, FOR THE SIERRA NEVADA CONSERVANCY SOUTH YUBA RIM HAZARDOUS FUELS REDUCTION PROJECT (SNC NO. 1512), INCREASING THE PROJECT BUDGET FROM \$214,666 TO \$264,666, AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 EMERGENCY SERVICES BUDGET (4/5 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED)

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada has a severe and present danger from wildfire, and the Sierra Nevada Conservancy Wildfire Recovery and Forest Resilience Grant Program aims to reduce wildfire risk for communities and ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, the South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project has been identified as a priority in the CAL FIRE Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit (NEU) Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Services submitted a grant proposal to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC), in partnership with local non-profit Yuba Watershed Institute, on October 28, 2022, for the South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project (Resolution 22-590); and

WHEREAS, SNC awarded funds through the grant SNC No. 1512 in the amount of \$214,666, on May 9, 2024, (Resolution 24-234); and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Services intends to implement the SNC-funded aspect of the South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land, in partnership with the Yuba Watershed Institute; and

WHEREAS, this effort leverages work funded by FEMA-HMGP (Resolution 24-155) on private land by extending the effort to federal (BLM) land, which cannot be done with federal funding, but can be done with State agency (SNC) funding; and

WHEREAS, compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires performing cultural resource surveys; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Services submitted a budget augmentation request to SNC, to increase the project budget by \$50,000, to account for increased costs associated with the cultural surveys; and

WHEREAS, SNC approved the budget augmentation request on May 21, 2026, increasing the total project budget from \$214,666 to \$264,666; and

WHEREAS, all other terms and conditions of the grant agreement (SNC No. 1512) are not amended and remain in full force and effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, approves and accepts Amendment No. 1 to the agreement between Sierra Nevada Conservancy and the County of Nevada, for the South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project (SNC No. 1512) for a budget augmentation of \$50,000, increasing the project budget from \$214,666 to \$264,666, authorizes the Director of Emergency Services to execute the Amendment, and directs the Auditor-Controller to amend the Office of Emergency Services fiscal year 2026/27 budget (4/5 affirmative vote required) as follows:

Increase:

FD1000 CC20702 PG4141000 SC21520	\$50,000
FD1000 CC20702 PG4141000 RC46700	\$50,000

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 28th day of July 2026, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Supervisors Heidi Hall, Robb Tucker, Lisa Swarthout, Susan Hoek, and Hardy Bullock.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

Recuse: None.

ATTEST:

LAURIANA CECCHI
Interim Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____



Lisa Swarthout, Chair

State of California
Sierra Nevada Conservancy – GRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

GRANTEE NAME:	County of Nevada
GRANT TITLE:	South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project
FUNDING AUTHORITY:	California Budget Act of 2022, Section 111
PROGRAM:	Wildfire Recovery and Forest Resilience Directed Grant Program
AGREEMENT NUMBER:	1512
AMENDMENT NUMBER:	1
AWARD DATE:	03/02/2023

The parties to the above-referenced Grant Agreement hereby agree to the following amendments, which was approved by the Sierra Nevada Conservancy Governing Board in March 2026:

1. The Total Grant Award is increased from \$214,666 to \$264,666
2. The Grant Agreement Exhibit A is replaced in its entirety with the attached amended Exhibit A, which has been revised as outlined below:
 - a. Project Budget is revised to reflect the approved budget augmentation of \$50,000. This includes adjustments to Project Budget Categories A, C, and D. The Total Amount of SNC Funding is also adjusted to reflect the \$50,000 augmented increase of funds.
3. All other terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement not being amended continue to be operative and remain the same.

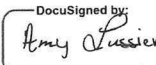
GRANTEE COUNTY OF NEVADA	STATE OF CALIFORNIA SIERRA NEVADA CONSERVANCY
By: 	By: 
Name (Print): Alex Keeble-Toll	Name (Print): Amy Lussier
Title: Director, Emergency Services	Title: Deputy Executive Officer
Date: 5/19/2026	Date: 5/21/2026

Exhibit A

Agreement No. 1512.1
Amendment #1: May 2026

**Sierra Nevada Conservancy
Wildfire Recovery and Forest Resilience
Grant Program**

EXHIBIT A

Grantee: County of Nevada
Project Title: South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project
Agreement Number: 1512.1

PROJECT SCOPE / DESCRIPTION

The South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project is an all-lands effort coordinated by the County of Nevada to reduce wildfire vulnerability on private, state, and federal land along the San Juan Ridge in Nevada County. This Sierra Nevada Conservancy grant will complete planning for treatment on 1,800 acres of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands intermingled with and adjacent to the private lands planning area. Planning for treatments on 800 acres within 6,000 acres of private land is concurrently being undertaken through a FEMA grant with a required 10% match being covered through Cal OES funding. FEMA funding will not directly support planning or work on federal land, so the SNC grant provides leverage for the all-lands planning effort.

This grant will complete reconnaissance-level biological surveys, a cultural resource records search and cultural resource site survey, a raptor assessment, and a California Spotted Owl Assessment. The County of Nevada will work with Yuba Watershed Institute (YWI), which will coordinate all planning with BLM staff, including treatment unit delineation, prescription design, and cultural and biological resource survey design. YWI staff will assist BLM, as needed, with preparation of all materials necessary for NEPA review, including project description and maps. YWI staff will assist BLM with Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) consultation regarding California spotted owls and prepare a FWS Letter of Concurrence.

This project is intimately connected with the planning effort on 6,000 acres of private land on the San Juan Ridge funded through the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for \$772,800, leveraged with \$85,866 from Cal OES. The South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project will increase the pace and scale of forest health projects in an area with an unhealthy accumulation of fuels, reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire for 44,000 people and safeguarding water quality for the Wild and Scenic South Yuba River, which supplies water and power through the Yuba Water Agency to downstream users.

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TASKS AND TIMELINE

Detailed Project Tasks	Approximate Project Timeline	Budget Category
Task 1: Project Management 1.1: Nevada County staff 1.2: Yuba Watershed Institute 1.3: FWS Letter of Concurrence 1.4: Draft project description/Maps for BLM NEPA analysis	May 2024 – February 2027 May 2024 – February 2027 February 2027 February 2027	A
Task 2: Botanical Resources 2.1: Botanical resources survey 2.2: Survey report	May 2025 – September 2025 October 2025	B
Task 3: Cultural Resources 3.1: Cultural resources inventory survey 3.2: Survey report	July 2024 – May 2025 July 2025	C
Task 4: Raptor Assessment 4.1: Raptor surveys 4.2: Survey report	May 2025 – August 2026 October 2026	D
Task 5: California Spotted Owl Assessment 5.1: CA Spotted Owl surveys 5.2: Assessment report	September 2026–November 2026 February 2027	E
Completion of Project Tasks * March 1, 2027		

*This is the date the Grantee anticipates completing the above project tasks. This date might be significantly earlier than the *Key Deadlines: Project Implementation Completion Date* on the agreement signature page and can change as Project implementation proceeds.

Required Reporting	Due Date, Received by SNC	Budget Category
Six-Month Progress Reports with the following reporting periods: January 1 – June 30. July 1 – December 31	Aug 1 and Feb 1 through the life of the project ^f .	A
Request for Payment of Final Expenditures	60 days from Completion of Project Tasks or no later than the Key Deadlines: Payment Request for Final Expenditures identified on the signature page of the Agreement, whichever is sooner.	A
Final Report, Including Performance Measures		

^fSix-Month Progress Reports are required through the Completion of Project Tasks. The last Six-Month Progress Report may cover fewer than six months.

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PROJECT BUDGET

Project Budget Categories	SNC Funding
A) Project Management and Reporting, staff and contractual, including travel	\$27,451
B) Botanical Surveys and Report	\$19,750
C) Cultural Resource Surveys and Report	\$85,000
D) Raptor Surveys and Report	\$95,000
E) California Spotted Owl Biological Assessment	\$12,000
Administrative Costs	\$25,465
TOTAL	\$264,666

PROJECT DELIVERABLES**

Deliverable	Format	Date Due
Six-Month Progress Reports	SNC Report Templates	August 1 and February 1 of each year. †
Updated Geospatial Files	See Geospatial Requirements in Project Reporting Requirements, below.	Upon Project Completion
Draft Project Description and Maps for BLM NEPA analysis	Report, Maps	Upon Project Completion
FWS Letter of Concurrence	Letter	Upon Project Completion
Botanical Survey Report	Report	Upon Project Completion
Cultural Survey Report	Report	Upon Project Completion
Raptor Assessment	Report	Upon Project Completion
CA Spotted Owl Assessment	Report	Upon Project Completion
Request for Payment of Final Expenditures	SNC Request for Payment Worksheet	60 days from Completion of Project Tasks or no later than the Key Deadlines:
Final Report, Including Performance Measures	SNC Final Report Template	Payment Request for Final Expenditures identified on the signature page of the Agreement, whichever is sooner.

** Deliverable is the term for the quantifiable items or documentation of completed activities that will be provided during and upon the completion of a Project. A Deliverable could be a report, a document, or any product that results from a Project.

† Six-Month Progress Reports are required through the Completion of Project Tasks. The last Six-Month Progress Report may cover fewer than six months.

PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**Progress and Final Report(s):**

The Grantee shall provide six-month progress reports and a final report as specified in the Project Timeline. Six-month progress reports shall reflect work completed in the previous six months, and final reports shall reflect the entire Grant period. A progress report shall also be submitted for the time period immediately preceding the submission of the final report and may cover fewer than six months.

The templates and instructions for completing these reports can be found on the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) website.

Geospatial Files at Project Initiation and for the Final Report

If there is land conservation, forest health treatments, or other on-the-ground work to be implemented under the grant, or environmental compliance to be completed for a specific project area, geospatial files of the work as planned must be submitted within 60 days of execution of the Grant Agreement and geospatial files of the work as completed must be submitted with the final report.

Accepted GIS file formats are zipped shapefiles (.shp) or file geodatabases (.gdb) with the projected coordinate system NAD 1983 California (Teale) Albers (Meters) (ESPG: 3310). Each project geometry type must be a polygon (single or multipart feature) with the below attributes:

- SNCGrant (Integer) — the SNC grant number
- OrgName (Text) — the name of the applicant organization.
- ProjName (Text) — the project's name as it is on the grant agreement.

Performance Measures Reporting:

Performance Measures are used to track progress toward Project goals and desired outcomes. They provide a means of reliably measuring and reporting the outcomes and effectiveness of a Project and how it contributes to the SNC's achievement of its programmatic goals. Additional information, including details on specific Performance Measures, can be found on the SNC web site.

The Grantee shall report on Performance Measures as part of the Final Report. The Grantee shall consider the following four quantitative Performance Measures and report on the ones that are applicable to this Project.

1. Resources Leveraged in the Sierra Nevada:

The purpose of this Performance Measure is to measure the additional resources generated as a result of SNC investment. The total value is based on matching funds provided by external sources, number of volunteer hours donated, and the value of major in-kind contributions made to a Project.

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2. **Number and Diversity of People Reached:**
The purpose of this Performance Measure is to measure progress on information-sharing and education efforts, and the inclusiveness of other Project efforts, such as plan development.
3. **Number and Type of Jobs Created:**
The purpose of this Performance Measure is to measure economic benefits to the Sierra Nevada Region by tracking the full-time-equivalent jobs created by SNC-funded activities.
4. **Number and Value of New, Improved, or Preserved Economic Activities:**
The purpose of this Performance Measure is to provide the types, quantities, and, where appropriate, estimated dollar values of new, improved, or preserved economic activities, products, and services. This PM relates to SNC's goals to develop tourism and recreational opportunities, aid in the preservation of working landscapes, and assist the regional economy.

In addition, the Grantee shall report on Project-specific Performance Measures that will help describe Project outcomes in a measurable way. The specific Performance Measures and the associated targets for this Project include the following:

5. **Number of Acres Completing Pre-Implementation Planning and Environmental Compliance:**
The purpose of this Performance Measure is to quantify the acres for which planning and environmental compliance was completed as part of this grant. This Performance Measure includes acres for which draft environmental compliance documents are complete, but where agency decisions remain incomplete.