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Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 24, 2025
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Kevin Edwards, Airport Manager
SUBJECT: Resolution designating Lot 6 to Nevada County Airport for aviation development contingent on approval of the Federal Aviation Administration

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution

FUNDING: None

BACKGROUND: Lot 6 of the Loma Rica Industrial Park was purchased by County of Nevada in 1972 for use by the Nevada County Airport and the Department of Public Works (DPW). The Department of Public Works historically utilized a 3.7-acre southern section of the parcel as an operations center. During the summer of 2020 DPW moved to the newly built Operation Center Southeast of Grass Valley, CA at 12350 La Barr Meadows Rd vacating their section of Lot 6.

The Board of Supervisors accepted the Reuse study of the Loma Rica Corporation Yard (Lot 6) on May 26, 2020. The study stated that given the important role that the airport plays in the region, and the demand projections for space needed at the airport, reusing the site for the airport expansion has the added benefit that it presents the simplest process for the property.

In early 2024, Department of Public Works (DPW) staff, County Executive Office staff and Information and General Services staff met to discuss the potential release of DPW interest in the Lot 6 property. At that time, all parties agreed to the release of DPW interest without compensation since subsidized costs for construction of the new Nevada County Operations Center defrayed the need for reimbursement to the Department of Public Works Enterprise Fund.

The Federal Aviation Administration had requested an Environmental Due Diligence Audit be conducted on the property to ensure the property was not contaminated. The audit was completed by NV5, and the report came back as clean. Additionally, the FAA requested a document be provided by the County stating this property will be redesignated for airport development at no charge to the airport before they add it to the current airport property list, also known as their Exhibit A.

Item Initiated by: Kevin Edwards, Airport Manager

Approved by: Justin Drinkwater, Facilities Director