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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**Board Agenda Memo**

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**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2024  
**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** George Schureck, Interim Director of Public Works  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution Approving the Capital Improvement Plan 2024 Annual Update

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Discuss and adopt resolution approving the Capital Improvement Plan 2024 Annual Update.

**FUNDING:** The budget for the Capital Improvement Plan will be established in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Roads Department budgets. Funding includes Gas tax, Federal funding ( Caltrans, other) and SB1 (RMRA funding).

**BACKGROUND:** The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is updated annually to provide the Board of Supervisors and the community with an outline of the Public Works Department's Road maintenance and capital improvement expenditures and revenue projections. This year's CIP represents a five-year, \$147 million program from July 2023, thru June 2028, and was found to be in conformance with the County General Plan.

Gas Tax and General Fund Maintenance of Effort (MOE) are the primary discretionary funding sources for the County's Road maintenance activities. Fluctuations in gas tax revenues, combined with increases in material costs, labor costs, and inflation continues to erode our ability to maintain roads and infrastructure.

In April 2017, Governor Brown signed Senate Bill 1 (SB1) – Landmark transportation funding legislation that invests \$52.4 billion in Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) funds over the next decade to fix roads, freeways, and bridges in communities across California. This funding results in an average total increase of approximately \$4.0 million annually over the next five years to Nevada County for road safety, maintenance, and improvement projects. This additional revenue will be used to fund road rehabilitation and preservation projects, roadside vegetation control and shoulder maintenance activities throughout Nevada County.

With inflation, construction material and labor cost increases, our ability to complete the needed roadway projects is diminished; roadway maintenance continues to be underfunded and the overall road pavement condition index (PCI) continues to drop by approximately 1 point per year (the PCI is expected to drop from 63 currently, to 62 next year). The increase in electric vehicles will also reduce the number of gallons sold, thus reducing the road fund revenues. The CIP's goal to maintain a \$4.5 million Road fund balance at the end of five years has been achieved through

reductions to road maintenance needs in order to balance ongoing fluctuations in gas tax, labor, and overhead costs.

Although economic indicators are uncertain, we continue to see robust state and federal grant funding for capital projects. In this plan, the County expects to receive approximately \$35 million in state and federal grants for a variety of transit, roadway safety, bridge, and road maintenance projects. Additional grant funds have been applied for from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Highway Bridge Program, and Highway Safety Improvement Program for roadway related improvements. Additional grants for vegetation management will be applied for as opportunities arise.

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. 2024 Annual CIP

**Item Initiated by:** Patrick Perkins, Principal Civil Engineer  
**Approved by:** George Schureck, Interim Director of Public Works