



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING A DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION CONTRACT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NEVADA AND THE BEAR YUBA LAND TRUST FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO SIGN THE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, this project is in alignment with the Board of Supervisors' Recreation Objective and aims to "promote health and safety at river crossings, lakes, trailheads, and high-use or high-risk destinations"; and

WHEREAS, this project is in alignment with the Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan Sustainable Recreation and Communications' recommendation for a "multi-jurisdictional project, [to] develop and implement an overall wayfinding signage program that strengthens the overall brand of Nevada County and its partners and promotes sustainable recreation (302);"

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) is a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus package passed by Congress and signed by President Joseph Biden on March 11, 2021 in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and associated economic challenges. ARPA included \$350 billion in State and Local Aid, which included \$65.1 billion in direct funding to counties. Based on US Treasury allocations, Nevada County has been allocated \$19,376,239 in funding; and

WHEREAS, \$140,000 in ARPA funds are available in the 2024 Revised ARPA Expenditure Plan, as adopted by the Board of Supervisors via Resolution 24-412 to allocate to this project; and

WHEREAS, the County issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit professionals to design and implement wayfinding signage and communication standards for multi-use pathways, trails and recreation access points throughout Nevada County in high-use and high-impact recreation areas to promote safety, education, and environmental stewardship, and no proposals were received; and

WHEREAS, no responses were received to the RFP, so County staff negotiated a contract with the Bear Yuba Land Trust to design and implement the wayfinding signage and communication standards through September 30, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California:

1. Approves and authorizes the contract with Bear Yuba Land Trust for a not to exceed amount of \$140,000.
2. Authorizes the Purchasing Agent to sign the contract.