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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: January 24, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Craig Griesbach – Office of Emergency Services**

SUBJECT: Resolution accepting FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds in the amount of \$112,500 for the period November 4, 2022 through February 4, 2024 and authorizing the Director 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.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: The \$112,500 in grant funds associated with HMGP DR-4558-288-088P will be received into the Office of Emergency Services budget. This grant requires a 25% local match (\$37,500) which will be satisfied by Community Wildfire Coordinator staff time completing the Wildfire Risk Assessment (WRA) component of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (“LHMP”). The Community Wildfire Coordinator staff time is funded by a California Fire Safe Council Grant. There is no impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND:

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) PL-106-390 requires that each jurisdiction develop a hazard mitigation plan to receive future disaster mitigation funding following a disaster.

The Office of Emergency Services, to support compliance with DMA 2000, submitted a grant proposal to the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program on March 1, 2021. FEMA awarded funds for this project on November 4, 2022 through the grant HMGP DR-4558-288-088P.

The purpose of the DMA 2000 requirements is to encourage State and local government to engage in systematic and nationally uniform planning efforts that will result in locally tailored programs and projects that help minimize loss of life, destruction of property, damage to the environment and the total cost of disasters before they occur.

The County of Nevada LHMP update will include a mitigation strategy that provides the jurisdiction’s blueprint for reducing the potential losses identified in the risk assessment,

based on existing authorities, policies, programs and resources, and its ability to expand on and improve these existing tools. A consultant will be hired to lead the LHMP process. The County Wildfire Coordinator will support this effort by conducting the Wildfire Risk Assessment (WRA) component of the LHMP; this use of OES staff time, funded by the California Fire Safe Council, will satisfy the 25% local match that is required by FEMA.

Item Initiated by: Alex Keeble-Toll, Senior Analyst, OES

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