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## **NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

### **Board Agenda Memo**

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**MEETING DATE:** March 8, 2022

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Steve Monaghan – IGS-Emergency Services**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution authorizing the Professional Services Contract between the County of Nevada and Fire Safe Council of Nevada County for completion of the work funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) for HMGP DR-4344 - 703-150R, “Nevada County Access and Functional Needs Program, Phase I” for the term of March 8, 2022 through December 31, 2022 for the maximum amount of \$224,607 with a match requirement of \$74,868, amending the Office of Emergency Services FY 21/22 Budget, and authorizing the Chair of the Board to execute the agreement. (4/5 affirmative vote required)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt the attached Resolution

**FUNDING:** The \$224,607 in grant funds will be received into the Emergency Management budget from FEMA/CalOES. The total match required for this grant is \$74,868 which will be in the form of in-kind matching provided through volunteer labor, cash contributions of residents, or match from Fire Safe Council. Payments to the Fire Safe Council will be paid from the OES Budget. A budget amendment has been included in the amount of \$224,607 to facilitate the project.

**BACKGROUND:** Section 404 of the Stafford Act, 43 U.S.C. 5170c authorizes the HMGP after a Federally Declared Disaster to ensure the opportunity to take critical mitigation measures to reduce the risk of loss of life and property from future disasters.

On September 28, 2021 the Board of Supervisors approved the acceptance of grant funding for HMGP DR-4344 -703-150R, “Nevada County Access and Functional Needs Program, Phase I”. Grant funds will help mitigate the threat of wildfire by providing residents of Nevada County with defensible space assistance to reduce hazardous vegetation around their residences.

Phase I of HMGP DR-4344 -703-150R will consist of defensible space treatment on 45 properties that have been pre-qualified and pre-inspected, along with pre-inspections of an additional 365 homes that would be eligible for treatment in Phase II. The treatment prescription is for the management of vegetation within 100 feet of structures and up to 300 feet depending on home siting, vegetation type, and overall fuel loading. In addition, as funding allows, treatment will include 10 feet along the road/driveway shoulder with a 15-foot vertical clearance for emergency equipment response.

This board item approves the contract between the County of Nevada and the Fire Safe Council of Nevada County for the HMGP DR-4344 -703-150R, "Nevada County Access and Functional Needs Program, Phase I" for the term of March 8, 2022 through December 31, 2022 for the maximum amount of \$224,607 with a match requirement of \$74,868 and amends the Office of Emergency Services FY 21/22 Budget in the amount of \$224,607.

**Item Initiated by:** Elise Strickler

**Approved by:** Steve Monaghan