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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: October 23, 2018

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Trisha Tillotson, Director of Public Works**

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Snow Removal Services Between the County of Placer and County of Nevada in the Donner Pass Road Area (District 5)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached resolution.

FUNDING: This amendment does not increase the total contract amount. The remaining contract amount of \$57,546.36 is for Fiscal Year 2018/19 and affects the Road Maintenance budget. Funding is provided by Highway User Tax revenue and no budget amendment is needed. There is no impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND: On December 12, 2017, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 17-597 approving an agreement between the County of Placer (Placer) and the County of Nevada for Placer to provide snow removal services in the Donner Pass Area. Placer provided services successfully last year however costs were higher than anticipated. The Department of Public Works (DPW) is also facing the possible Proposition 6 repeal of Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) funding, which would have a devastating impact on Roads activities, making it more imperative to implement a sustainable and affordable snow removal program.

As a result, DPW has arranged to provide snow removal services in-house. In addition to mobilizing county crews and equipment in anticipation of the upcoming season, DPW has also purchased a high capacity snow blower capable of removing large amounts of snow from Donner Pass. Despite these capabilities, the availability of only one snow blower leaves Nevada County in a precarious situation if that blower malfunctions during heavy winter events. Therefore, in order to plan for unanticipated situations and provide adequate coverage during extreme winter events, DPW is interested in extending its agreement with Placer for the 2018-19 winter season. While we anticipate our need for Placer assistance to be minimal, the ability to work with Placer will help ensure summit roads are clear and safe for winter travel.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Trisha Tillotson, Director of Public Works

Submittal Date: October 1, 2018
