



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

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-4353 -023-33R, "NEVADA COUNTY ABATEMENT PROGRAM, PHASE I" FOR THE TERM OF MARCH 8, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022 FOR THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$473,343 WITH A MATCH REQUIREMENT OF \$157,477, 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)

WHEREAS, HMGP is authorized by Section 404 of the Stafford Act, 42 U.S.C. 5170c. The key purpose of HMGP is to ensure that the opportunity to take critical mitigation measures to reduce the risk of loss of life and property from future disasters; and

WHEREAS, HMGP funding is available, when authorized under a Presidential major disaster declaration, in the areas of the State requested by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California issued an emergency declaration on December 20, 2017 due to wildfires which began on December 4, 2017. The Governor requested a declaration for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance, including direct Federal assistance for four counties and Hazard Mitigation statewide; and

WHEREAS, On January 2, 2018 the President of the United States declared that a major disaster exists in the State of California. This declaration made Public Assistance, including direct Federal assistance requested by the Governor available to state and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis for emergency work and the repair or replacement of facilities damaged by the wildfires in Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties. This declaration also made Hazard Mitigation Grant Program assistance requested by the Governor available for hazard mitigation measures statewide; and

WHEREAS, in June 2018 the County of Nevada applied for HMGP funding and FEMA approved and issued HMGP funds for HMGP DR-4353-023-033R, Nevada County Abatement Program, Phase I on July 13, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018 the County of Nevada Board of Supervisors authorized the Director of Emergency Services to execute the application in Resolution No. 18-317; and.

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2021 the County of Nevada Board of Supervisors authorized the Director of Emergency Services to accept the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding for the Nevada county HMGP DR-4353-023-033R, Nevada County Abatement Program, Phase I in Resolution no. 21-426; and

WHEREAS, 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; and

WHEREAS, the deliverables for this contract will consist of defensible space treatment on 78 properties that have been pre-qualified for eligibility. In addition, 400+ homes that would be eligible for treatment in Phase II will be pre-qualified in Phase I. The treatment prescription is for the management of vegetation within 100 feet, and up to 300 ft, of structures depending on home siting, vegetation type, and overall fuel loading. In addition, treatment will include 10 feet along the road/driveway shoulder with a 15-foot vertical clearance for emergency equipment response, as funding allows.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that the County hereby approves the contract between the County of Nevada and Fire Safe Council of Nevada County for FEMA HMGP DR-4353-023-033R, Nevada County Abatement Program, Phase I for the term of March 8, 2022 through December 31, 2022 in the maximum amount of \$473,343 for the 75% Federal share with a 25% local share of \$157,447, authorizes the Chair of the Board to execute the Contract, authorizes the Director of Emergency Services execute for and on behalf the County of Nevada all claims and ancillary documents required to fulfill the grant requirements, and directs the Auditor Controller to amend the Office of Emergency Services Fiscal Year 2021/22 Budget as follows:

Increase:

0101-20702-4141-1000/446700	\$473,343
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