



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO CONTRACT NO. PESP4415 WITH FIRE SAFE COUNCIL OF NEVADA COUNTY TO THE PURCHASING CONTRACT PESP4415 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NEVADA AND FIRE SAFE COUNCIL OF NEVADA COUNTY TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL WINTER STORM EMERGENCY RESPONSE SUPPORTING THE GATHERING AND PROCESSING OF GREEN WASTE CREATED BY THE 2021 WINTER STORM EVENT IN EASTERN NEVADA COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, on December 27, 2021 in the early morning, Nevada County was hit with an intense winter snow-storm (Snow-storm) bringing excessive amounts of snow to areas that typically receive little to no snow. The Snow-storm caused over 30,000 Nevada County residents to lose PG&E utility power service taking many days and sometimes weeks for restoration; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Snow-storm resulted in an excessive amount of down trees and vegetation increasing Nevada Countys vulnerability to wildfire during the fast-approaching 2022 fire season; and

WHEREAS, an emergency proclamation was ratified on December 30, 2021 in an emergency Board of Supervisors meeting by Resolution 21-541. The Local Emergency Proclamation enables Nevada County to more effectively respond to the Snow-storm, seek and utilize mutual aid, obtain state and federal funds (if available), and ensure that the County's resources and economy, as well as the community at large, have all the necessary tools at their disposal to endure this ongoing challenge; and

WHEREAS, the State of California declared an emergency on December 30, 2021 in support of Counties recovering from the Winter Storms; and

WHEREAS, the County entered into a contract with Fire Safe Council of Nevada County effective January 3, 2022 for Winter Storm Support and Green Waste Mitigation. The contract was subsequently amended on January 8, 2022 under Purchasing Agent authority and again on March 8, 2022 by the Nevada County Board of Supervisors funding facilitation of the extremely successful Free Storm Debris Disposal drop off days in Western Nevada County as well as rights-of-way vegetation management services provided during the initial response to the emergency; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 22-130 accepting grant funds from the Norther Sierra Air Quality Management District (NSAQMD) on March 8th, 2022 states that a portion of the funding received by the NSAQMD will be allocated to Eastern Nevada County for "wildfire mitigation efforts".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby approves Amendment No.3 to Contract No. PESP4415 with Fire Safe Council of Nevada County and the County of Nevada to provide for additional winter storm emergency response supporting the gathering and processing of green waste created by the 2021 winter storm event in Eastern Nevada County and authorizing the Purchasing Agent to execute the amendment.