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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 21, 2016

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chris Flores, Agricultural Commissioner

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the Work and Financial Plan, Agreement No. 16-73-

06-0265-RA, between the County of Nevada and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service-Wildlife Services, and authorizing the Chair of the Board to execute the

Agreement for Fiscal Year 2016/17, in the amount of \$62,072.00.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: Funding is for Fiscal Year 2016/17 and impacts the Agricultural Commissioner's budget. No budget amendment is needed and a share of this agreement is covered by the County General Fund.

BACKGROUND: The objective of this Work Plan is to provide for wildlife damage management on both agricultural and residential properties within Nevada County. A Wildlife Specialist will assist property owners, businesses, private citizens, and governmental agencies by providing technical support or direct control activities in accordance with applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations. Between July 2014 and June 2015, through an integrated wildlife damage management program, the value reported for livestock protected in Nevada County was over \$700,000. Technical assistance through instruction of wildlife damage prevention has increased over the years resulting in a reduced number of predation incidences. This program is managed to ensure compliance with applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations, the Environmental Protection Act, the Endangered Species Act and all applicable environmental statutes.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Chris Flores, Agricultural Commissioner

Submittal Date: 5/4/16 Revision Date: 6/7/16