

RESOLUTION No.____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AMENDMENT NO. 2 WITH TREES UNLIMITED, INC. FOR TREE FELLING AND BRUSH REMOVAL SERVICES (PESK3120)

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2016 the County's Purchasing Agent executed an agreement with Trees Unlimited, Inc. (PESK3120) for tree felling and brush removal services for a maximum not to exceed contract amount of \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, this contract includes the removal of dead trees from road right of way affected by widespread tree mortality and a major bark beetle epidemic; and

WHEREAS, these concerns were highlighted by the recent Board of Supervisors adoption of Resolution 16-468, proclaiming a local emergency in Nevada County due to extreme tree mortality; and

WHEREAS, since July maintenance staff has seen a dramatic increase in the removal of trees from road right of way affected by the bark beetle epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted Resolution 16-506 on October 25, 2016 to increase the maximum not to exceed contract amount to \$75,000 for increased tree removal activity; and

WHEREAS, the recent storm activity in January and February and subsequent emergency declarations have further increased the need for additional tree removal throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the current tree removal demands once again have far exceeded the tree felling contract budget; and

WHEREAS, staff is proposing an increase in the maximum not to exceed contract amount to \$125,000 to provide sufficient funds for increased tree removal activity this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, road funds are available to accomplish this project in budget code 1114-30107-703-1000/521120.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Nevada County Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approves Contract Amendment No. 2 and authorizes the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute Contract Amendment No. 2 between the County of Nevada and Trees Unlimited, Inc.
- 2. Approves increasing the contract amount by \$50,000 to a maximum not to exceed contract amount of \$125,000 to provide sufficient funds for tree felling and brush removal services over the remainder of the fiscal year.