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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: May 24, 2022

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Trisha Tillotson, Acting Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Resolution Approving Amendment No. 1 to The Contract Between The

County of Nevada and McKellar Tree Service and Logging, Inc., for Professional Services for the Egress/Ingress Fire Safety Project, Amending the Scope of Service, Extending the Term of the Contract to December 30, 2022, and Increasing the Amount of the Contract to a New Maximum Amount not to Exceed \$966,600.01 and Authorizing the Auditor-Controller

to encumber the additional funds

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: This amendment is funded \$240,000 (80%) from the Cal Fire Storm Debris/Stockpile and Tree Removal Grant 5GA21115. The remaining \$60,000 (20%) will initially be funded by Road Engineering. Reimbursement from the California Disaster Assistance Act will continue to be explored and any unreimbursed portion to Road Engineering may later be compensated by the General Fund, as per resolution 22-133.

BACKGROUND: On February 9, 2021, the Board of Supervisors awarded a contract to McKellar Tree Service and Logging, Inc., not to exceed \$666,600.01 for brush clearing and reduction of fire fuels along approximately 162 miles of County Roadways as part of the Egress/Ingress Fire Safety Project.

The project was nearing completion prior to the December 2021 storms. During the December 2021 storms, many trees and limbs within the County right-of-way were damaged and additional branches/trees fell in the County right-of-way and need to be removed as part of the County's fire prevention program.

On December 30, 2021, The Board of Supervisors proclaimed a Local Emergency in order to more effectively respond to the storm damage, and on December 20, 2021, the State of Californian also declared an emergency in support of counties recovering from the storm.

On April 22, 2022, the County received a second CalFire grant in the amount of \$950,000. This contract amendment proposes to use \$300,000 for immediate clean-up of the storm debris along 97 miles of county roads as identified in the County's OES damage area maps. The remaining grant funds will be used for hazardous tree removal, debris removal, green waste days program(s), and brush clearing on other County roadways on future contact(s).

Road Engineering staff is requesting that the Board of Supervisors approve an amendment to the contract with McKellar Tree Service and Logging, Inc., in the amount of \$300,000, increasing the current amount of \$666,600.01 to \$966,600.01 and extending the end date from March 31, 2022, to December 30, 2022.

Item Initiated by: Patrick Perkins Principal Civil Engineer

Approved by: Trisha Tillotson, Acting Director of Public Works

Submittal Date: May 1, 2022 Revised Date: May 4, 2022