Exhibit A

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT WITH RANEY PLANNING & MANAGEMENT INC.

THIS AMENDMENT is executed this 28th day of June, 2022 by and between Raney Planning & Management, Inc. and COUNTY OF Nevada for preparation of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR19-0001) and contract planning services for the proposed Idaho-Maryland Mine – Rise Grass Valley Project on behalf of Rise Grass Valley. Said Amendment will amend the prior agreement between the parties entitled Professional Services Contract executed on April 28, 2020 by Resolution No. 20-156.

WHEREAS, Raney Planning & Management Inc. has requested a contract budget amendment to cover additional administrative and project management efforts, the responses to a substantial number of public comments received on the Draft EIR far surpassed the number of public comments anticipated in Raney Planning & Management's original scope of work and independent peer review of technical responses prepared in response to project-specific technical reports; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors on April 28, 2020 approved Resolution No. 20-156 which authorized a contract between the County of Nevada and Raney Planning & Management Inc. pertaining to the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report consistent with the Environmental Quality Act and for contract planning services on behalf of Rise Grass Valley for the Idaho-Maryland Mine – Rise Grass Valley Project (EIR19-0001); and,

WHEREAS, the parties desire to amend their contract to provide for an extension of the contract through June 30, 2024, to allow for additional services to complete the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and for contract planning services, and to increase the contract by three hundred fifty-three thousand one hundred fifty-six dollars (\$353,156) to a maximum not to exceed of seven hundred thirty-four thousand three hundred fifty dollars (\$734,350).

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. This amendment shall be effective as of May 2, 2022.
- 2. The contract termination date is extended from May 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024.
- 3. That the Scope of Work, Exhibit "C" included here, shall amend the following:
 - a. This amendment will refine the original Contract's Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services by redefining the Final EIR process, consultant work, and timelines.
 - b. This amendment will increase the original Contract's Exhibit "B" by increasing the contact by three hundred fifty-three thousand one hundred fifty-six dollars (\$353,156) to a maximum not to exceed seven hundred thirty-four thousand three hundred fifty (\$734,350).
 - c. This contract amendment does not include or anticipate recirculation of the Draft EIR. If a recirculation were to be determined necessary during the responses to comments efforts, an additional budget amendment would be required.
- 4. That in all other respects the prior agreement of the parties shall remain in full force and effect except as amended herein.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: COUNTY COUNSEL

By:___

Katharine Elliott County Counsel

COUNTY OF NEVADA

By:___

Honorable Susan Hoek Chair, of the Board of Supervisors

Dated:_____

RANEY PLANNING & MANAGEMENT INC.

By:__

ATTEST:

Julie Patterson Hunter Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By:_____ Cindy Ginos Senior Vice President

Dated:_____