

## RESOLUTION No.\_\_\_\_\_

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE FIRE SAFE COUNCIL OF NEVADA COUNTY AND NEVADA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE CAL FIRE CALIFORNIA CLIMATE INVESTMENTS FIRE PREVENTION GRANT FOR THE 20-FP-NEU-0242 SOUTH COUNTY FUEL BREAK PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$901,578 WITH AN IN-KIND MATCH REQUIREMENT OF \$85,620 FOR USE DURING THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 27, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT, AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 EMERGENCY SERVICES BUDGET (4/5 vote required)

WHEREAS, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) released Fire Prevention Grant Program - California Climate Investments funding to reduce the risk of wildland fires to habitable structures and communities, while maximizing carbon sequestration in healthy wildland habitat and minimizing the uncontrolled release of emissions emitted by wildfires; and

WHEREAS, fuels reduction, which encompasses a range of forest management activities, including thinning, treating surface fuels with prescribed fire, mechanical methods, manual methods, and grazing, can reduce potential fire intensity; and

WHEREAS, the County of Nevada Office of Emergency Services applied for the Fire Prevention Grant Program - California Climate Investments on March 1, 2021 submitting the South County Shaded Fuel Break Project; and

WHEREAS, the South County Shaded Fuel Break project was identified as a top priority in the Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit Plan (Unit Plan). It is a 339-acre project and will serve as a vital wildfire holding point and key evacuation route for residents. The fuel break is strategically designed to provide egress for a highly populated wildland urban interface (WUI) region and avoid a severe wildfire, while providing firefighters a place to defend lives and property from a wildfire; and

WHEREAS on September 8, 2021 CAL FIRE awarded the grant for the South County Shaded Fuel Break (20-FP-NEU-0242) to the County of Nevada.

WHEREAS on December 14, 2021 CAL FIRE accepted the CAL FIRE grant for the South County Shaded Fuel Break (20-FP-NEU-0242) to the County of Nevada in Resolution

SR21-0898.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby approves the contract between Fire Safe Council of Nevada County for the CAL FIRE California Climate Investments Fire Prevention Grant for the South County Shaded Fuel Break Project (20-FP-NEU-0242) in substantially the form attached hereto in the amount of \$901,578.00 provided by CAL FIRE and an in-kind match valued at \$85,620, for the term of September 27, 2022 through December 31, 2024, authorizes the Director of Emergency Services, or their designee, to execute the Grant Agreement and all additional documents required to fulfill the requirements of the grant on behalf of the County of Nevada, and amends the Office of Emergency Services Fiscal Year 2022/23 Budget as follows:

## Increase:

0101-20702-415-1000	445200	\$901,578
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