

## COUNTY OF NEVADA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** October 25, 2016

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Joshua H. Pack

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Contract Amendment No. 1 with Trees Unlimited, Inc. for Tree

Felling and Brush Removal Services (PESK3120)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached resolution.

**<u>FUNDING</u>**: Funding is for Fiscal Year 2016/17 and impacts the Roads Maintenance Budget. There is no impact to the General Fund and no budget amendment is needed.

## **BACKGROUND:**

On July 1, 2016 the County's Purchasing Agent executed an agreement with Trees Unlimited, Inc. for tree felling and brush removal services for a maximum not to exceed contract amount of \$25,000. This contract includes the removal of dead trees from road right of way affected by widespread tree mortality and a major bark beetle epidemic. 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.

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. The current tree removal demands far exceed the existing tree felling contract budget.

Staff is proposing an increase in the maximum not to exceed contract amount to \$75,000 to provide sufficient funds for increased tree removal activity this fiscal year. The contract termination date is June 30, 2017.

**Item Initiated by:** Joshua H. Pack, Principal Civil Engineer

**Approved by:** Steve Castleberry, Director of Public Works

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