

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-54

OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE 2022 WILDFIRE RECOVERY AND FOREST RESILIENCE DIRECTED GRANT PROGRAM OF THE SIERRA NEVADA CONSERVANCY FOR THE UPPER YUBA HEADWATERS FOREST RESTORATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to support the 2022 Wildfire Recovery and Forest Resilience Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (the "SNC") has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of a portion of these funds through a Directed Grant Program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Sierra Nevada Conservancy require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the governing board of each applicant before submission of said application(s) to the SNC; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Irrigation District (the "District") has identified the *Upper Yuba Headwaters Forest Restoration Project (SNC Grant # 1542)* (the "Project") as valuable toward meeting its mission and goals.

WHEREAS, the Upper Yuba Headwaters Forest Restoration project proposes to reduce fire fuels and hazard trees on 400-acres in the Middle and South Yuba River watersheds near Jackson Meadows Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, treatments will be a combination of hazard tree removal, mastication and hand crew understory thinning on Nevada Irrigation District properties to reduce the risk and severity of potential wildfire adjacent to water conveyance and storage infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Total project cost is estimated at \$1,985,000 with an estimated SNC grant request of \$1,420,000. NID staff will support project management and grant administration as an in-kind contribution. District funding over four years is estimated at \$400,000 to be leveraged to complete 400-acres of fire fuels reduction activities; and

WHEREAS, the District intents to submit an application to SNC for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the District, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the SNC to carry out the Project; and

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the above recitals are true and correct; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors approves the submittal of an application for the Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors certifies that District understands the assurances and certification requirements in the application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors certifies that District will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the resource(s) consistent with the long-term benefits described in support of the application; or will secure the resources to do so; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors certifies that District will comply with all legal requirements as determined during the application process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors appoints its General Manager, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to: applications, agreements, payment requests, and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project(s).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District at a regular meeting held on the 12th day of October, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors: Heck, Peters, Johansen, Hull, Bierwagen

NOES:

Directors: None

ABSENT:

Directors: None

ABSTAINS:

Directors: None

President of the Board of Directors

Attest:

Secretary to the Board of Directors