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Mendocino County Board of Supervisors 501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010 Ukiah, CA 95482

RE: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND AWARD DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT NUMBER 200093 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE ACKERMAN CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT ON NORTH STATE STREET, COUNTY ROAD 104, MILEPOST 0.97, AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$15,000,000 (UKIAH AREA)

Honorable Board Members:

The Mendocino County Department of Transportation (DOT) Contract Number (No.) 200093 will provide for construction of the Ackerman Creek Bridge Replacement on North State Street, County Road, 104, milepost 0.97. This project is for construction of a new concrete and steel bridge on the same alignment and streambed restoration. The project is anticipated to span two construction seasons, and a general contractor will be required to complete this project.

One April 6, 2021, the Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. 21-048 authorizing the DOT to advertise and award DOT Contract No. 200093 at an estimated cost of \$9,889,000; however, the FHWA HBP funds were unavailable until now. Due to this three-year funding delay, construction costs have increased and the updated Engineer's Estimate for the bridge exceeds the original amount authorized in Resolution No. 21-048. Therefore, DOT is resubmitting their request for authorization to advertise and award DOT Contract No. 2000093 at an estimated cost of \$15,000,000, including contingency.

The project costs are anticipated to be 88.53% reimbursable through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Highway Bridge Program (HBP) with a local match funded through College RDA funds, State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA), and the Road Fund.

DOT has requested and is waiting for authorization for construction from FHWA. Federal rules prohibit advertising for bids until receipt of construction authorization. It would be expedient for DOT to be able to advertise for construction bids as soon as FHWA authorizes construction of the project.

I recommend and request that the Board authorize and direct the Director of Transportation, upon receipt of construction authorization from FHWA, to advertise for construction bids and award DOT Contract No. 200093 to construct the Ackerman Creek Bridge Replacement on North State Street.

DOT staff personnel have prepared a draft Resolution which provides said authorization for the Board's consideration and adoption.

I will, of course, respond to any questions the Board may have.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Enclosure

cc: DOT Project File A-1101