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April 28, 2023

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

RE: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT NUMBER 230002 WITH THE MENDOCINO COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,000, FOR FOREST HEALTH, SOIL HEALTH MANAGEMENT, AND WATER RESOURCE SERVICES ON VARIOUS PROJECTS IN MENDOCINO COUNTY, AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION TO SIGN ANY AND ALL AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000 (COUNTY WIDE)

Honorable Board Members:

The Mendocino County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD) works in Mendocino County performing various environmental projects and writing grants that bring millions of dollars in State and Federal grants to Mendocino County. The County of Mendocino has provided additional funding for the last few years to help with these projects and to provide seed money for grant writing.

On December 13, 2022, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors agreed to provide \$45,000 each year for the next two years to help fund MCRCD's environmental agenda, with availability of funds. A stipulation was added that MCRCD needs to attempt to recover administration costs as part of the applied-for grants, with the goal being that MCRCD will become more self-sufficient.

I recommend and request that the Board authorize and direct the Director of Transportation to award Department of Transportation Agreement Number 230002 to MCRCD for forest health, soil health management, and water resource services on various projects in the County. I also recommend authorizing the Director of Transportation to sign all amendments that do not increase the cost of the contract by more than \$45,000, for a total of \$90,000.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD N. DASHIELL Director of Transportation