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

RE: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT NUMBER 240005, WITH CONSOR NORTH AMERICA, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,617,000 IN ALLOCATION 1 FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, AND AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$411,000, FOR THE BROOKTRAILS SECOND ACCESS PROJECT (WILLITS/BROOKTRAILS AREA)

## Honorable Board Members:

The Mendocino County Department of Transportation (DOT) desires to construct an approximately 2-mile, two-lane arterial local road with paved shoulders and a new local bridge structure over Upp Creek, connecting Sherwood Road (County Road [CR] 311) at the intersection of Primrose Drive (CR 604) to North Main Street (CR 300) in Willits, California. The purpose and need of this project are to improve public safety by decreasing emergency service times and provide these communities with an alternative evacuation route in the event of wildfire.

DOT engineering staff does not have the time, capacity, or expertise to effectively perform the complex work required to complete the project approval and environmental documents (PA&ED) and plans, specifications, and estimate (PS&E), and therefore requires professional, expert, and technical services of a temporary nature. We have completed a qualification-based selection process, and in response to the County's Request for Proposals, Consor North America of Rancho Cordova, California, submitted a proposal for accomplishing the work proposed and was accepted as the most qualified to perform the work. The consultant will also prepare California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation.

Presently, the contract is divided into two allocations, with Allocation Number (No.) 1 to cover the PA&ED phase of the project, and Allocation No. 2 covering the PS&E phase of the project. Consor North America, Inc., has provided a satisfactory proposal specifying they will perform the required work to complete the PA&ED phase, as Allocation No.1, for a not-to-exceed cost of \$5,617,000. The final cost and scope of the required work to complete the PS&E phase, as Allocation No. 2, will be finalized once those funds are allocated. The costs for the PS&E phase are estimated to be between \$2,600,000 and \$3,200,000.

Because additional studies or additional field investigations are often identified during design, DOT deems it prudent to authorize the Director of Transportation a contingency of \$200,000 to process contract amendments as needed.

Costs of the project are to be funded entirely through the Local Transportation Climate Adaption Program (LTCAP).

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

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: DOT Project 3041-B2401