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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 240006, WITH GHD INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,916,000 FOR ALLOCATION 1, FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, AND AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL CONTINGENCY AMOUNT OF \$200,00, FOR THE REDEMEYER ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT, COUNTY ROAD 215A (UKIAH AREA)

Honorable Board Members:

The Mendocino County Department of Transportation (DOT) desires to construct a two-lane arterial local extension of Redemeyer Road, County Road 215A, with paved shoulders and a new local bridge structure over the Russian River, providing a critical alternative access route into the communities of Pepperwood Place, Deerwood, El Dorado, and Vichy Springs. 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 was awarded a \$12,000,000 grant through the Local Transportation Climate Adaptation Program to complete the project approval and environmental documents (PA&ED) and plans, specifications, and estimate (PS&E) for the Redemeyer Road Extension Project. DOT engineering staff does not have the time, capacity, or expertise to effectively perform the complex work required to PA&ED and 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, GHD Inc. of Santa Rosa, California, submitted a proposal for accomplishing the work proposed and was accepted as the most qualified to perform the work. As part of this contract, the consultant will 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. GHD, 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 \$4,916,000. 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 \$3,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

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 LTCAP.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: DOT Project 3041-B2402