

## RESOLUTION 2022-10

### **A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY TO ENTER INTO GRANT AGREEMENT(S) WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION AND DESIGNATE A REPRESENTATIVE TO NEGOTIATE AND SIGN THE AGREEMENT, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, FOR "LOCKHART SHADED FUEL BREAK"**

**Whereas**, the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County (District), a special district organized under state law, with no enforcement or regulatory functions, works closely with individuals, groups and agencies to provide practical solutions for soil, water, and watershed management concerns, and;

**Whereas**, the Board of Directors (Board) for the District recognizes the critical need for fire prevention and fuel reduction to protect natural resources, people, and property within Santa Cruz County, and;

**Whereas**, the Board recognizes the opportunity for fuel reduction projects and fire protection to safeguard human life and property as well as natural resources, and;

**Whereas**, the District submitted a Fire Prevention Program direct grant application to the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to carry out the "Lockhart Shaded Fuel Break" to plan, permit, and implement a shaded fuel break covering roughly 5.5 miles and treating 95 acres from Graham Hill Road on the southern boundary of Morgan Sandhills Preserve (formerly Hanson Quarry) and extend along the ridgetop to the west side of the Lockhart Gulch drainage and tie into Weston Road to the north, and;

**Whereas**, the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has provided a notice of award in the amount of \$970,000 to the District to carry out the "Lockhart Shaded Fuel Break;"

**Now, therefore, be it resolved**, the Board authorizes the District to enter into an Agreement with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for "Lockhart Shaded Fuel Break", and;

**Be it further resolved**, the Board of Directors for the District authorizes the Executive Director, or designee, to sign the agreement and any amendments thereto and act as Contract Manager to execute tasks, such as signing documents related to the agreement, reimbursement requests, and procurement contracts.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution *RCDSCC 2022-10* was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the RCDSCC at the meeting thereof held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022 motion by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:  
Noes:  
Abstained:  
Absent:

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Jim McKenna, Board President

Kelley Bell, Mike Eaton, Robert Ketley, Howard Liebenberg, Mike Manfre, Jim McKenna, and John Ricker