

RESOLUTION 2023-02

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY TO APPLY AND 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 "2023 FIRE PREVENTION DIRECT AWARD"

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 direct grant application to the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to carry out "Summit School Shaded Fuel Break" and the "Fall Creek Ridge Trail Shaded Fuel Break" projects. The "Summit School Shaded Fuel Break" will be in addition to the "Summit Road Shaded Fuel Break", focusing on to fortifying vital infrastructure for the Summit Community, which has been used as an evacuation center, a distribution post, and will increase the beneficial effects of the "Summit Road Shaded Fuel Break". The "Fall Creek Ridge Trail Shaded Fuel Break" will reinstall a shaded fuel break on the Ridge Trail within Henry Cowell Redwood State Park, Fall Creek Unit, and will build off the District's "Fall Creek Truck Trail Shaded Fuel Break" to provided larger benefit to the town of Felton and the greater San Lorenzo Valley area, and;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, the Board of Directors for the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County approved the filing of a direct application for "California Climate Investment Fire Prevention Grant Program", and;

Be it further resolved, the Board authorizes the District to enter into an Agreement with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for both projects, "Summit School Shaded Fuel Break" and "Fall Creek Ridge Trail Shaded Fuel Break", in the "2023 Fire Prevention Direct Award" grant, 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 _____ was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the RCDSCC at the meeting thereof held on the _____ motion by _____ and seconded by _____ motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Abstained:



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Absent:

Attest: _____
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