



## City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

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**Title:** Local Buyback and Compost Facility Feasibility Study- Nevada County

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** That the City Council 1) Review the proposal for a joint feasibility study with Nevada County to evaluate the development of a shared facility for CRV (California Redemption Value) local buyback, clear plastic recycling, and composting; 2) Authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into any necessary agreements, subject to legal review.

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**Prepared by:** Zac Quentmeyer, Deputy Public Works Director

**Council Meeting Date:** 7/14/2026

**Date Prepared:** 7/9/2026

**Agenda:** Consent

**Background Information:** In July 2025, the City Council approved entering into an agreement with Nevada City to jointly fund a feasibility study for the development of a shared facility to support local California Redemption Value (CRV) buyback, composting, and clear plastic recycling operations. Shortly thereafter, Nevada City experienced a transition in its City Manager position, which delayed implementation of the agreement.

In the interim, Nevada County Solid Waste staff approached the City about partnering directly with the County to advance the feasibility study and share the project costs equally. The City of Grass Valley and Nevada County already have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in place to share contract services through R3 Consulting. The attached amendment extends that MOU through November 2026 to accommodate the study schedule and authorize the additional work. A revised feasibility study proposal from R3 Consulting is also provided for review.

Staff have also determined that the feasibility study is eligible for funding through the City's available SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant funds, allowing the project to proceed without impacting the General Fund.

**Council Goals/Objectives:** The execution of this action attempts to achieve the following Strategic Goals - Community and Sense of Place.

**Fiscal Impact:** SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program will fully fund the City's share of the study cost.

**Funds Available:** N/A

**Account #:** N/A

**Reviewed by:** Interim City Manager

**Attachments:** Nevada County MOU Amendment, R3 Proposal