



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Grass Valley and Nevada County Resource Conservation District (NCRCD) (via direct funding allocation award; PG&E)

CEQA: Multiple Proposed Projects. Either CEQA exempt and/or NCRCD/Contractor provides CEQA + any/all required permitting services.

Recommendation: Authorize City Manager or City Representative to sign/execute the MOU with Nevada County Resource Conservation District (NCRCD), subject to legal review.

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Council Meeting Date: 04/14/2026

Agenda: Consent

Date Prepared: 04/07/2026

Background Information: The City of Grass Valley contains many hazardous, over-forested/vegetated parcels posing imminent wildfire ignition threats. Partnering with local non-government organizations (NGO's) and/or non-profit organizations (NPO's) leverages grant opportunities, ultimately leading to additional mitigation of over-forested/vegetated parcels than could be completed without such partnerships.

To this end, the Measure-B/Office of Emergency Services - Community Risk Reduction built strategic partnerships with regional NGO's/NPO's who have access to Federal, State and/or Private direct allocation funding for Wildfire Fuels mitigation. Our partners at the Nevada County Resource Conservation District received a grant award specified for Wildfire fuels reduction and invited the City for a list of prioritized hazardous fuels parcels near, or adjacent to PG&E infrastructure zones serving the City for funding from our utility providers at PG&E, which we compiled and submitted.

Best-practices deem parties sign MOU agreements ensuring related partner projects meet the objectives, expectations and liability requirements needed for the benefit of the community. This MOU will allow work to move forward for public safety benefit of the community.

Council Goals/Objectives: This action attempts to achieve the following strategic goals:
GOAL #1 - Public Safety via Wildfire Risk Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Land Management.
GOAL #2 - Community Safety/Quality of Life via Nature/Forest Health treatment activities.
GOAL #3 - Mitigate hazardous parcels beyond the capacity of the City/Measure-B field crews.

Fiscal Impact: N/A - Little/no City expenditures beyond staff time, CRRM project oversight.

Funds Available: N/A

Account #: N/A

Reviewed by: Interim City Manager

Attachments: MOU with NCRCD