



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Resolution of Support for Nevada Irrigation District's Proposition 4 Grant Application

CEQA: Not a project

Recommendation: Adopt the attached Resolution

Prepared by: Alex Gammelgard, Interim City Manager

Council Meeting Date: September 22, 2026 **Date Prepared:** September 16, 2026

Agenda: Administrative

Background: The Nevada Irrigation District (NID), serving over 28,000 customers across Nevada, Placer, and Yuba Counties, operates the Scotts Flat Reservoir—a critical water storage facility. The reservoir is classified as High Hazard due to its importance and potential downstream risk to public health and safety.

The existing spillway, constructed in the 1940s, has suffered recurring damage and has been deemed in need of replacement by state and federal regulators. NID has invested over \$2.8 million in preparatory work, with full construction estimated at \$55 million and scheduled to begin in 2027.

To mitigate the financial impact on its relatively small ratepayer base, NID is seeking grant funding through the California Department of Water Resources' (DWR) Proposition 4 "Dam Safety & Climate Resilience Local Assistance" (DSCR) program. The attached resolution seeks formal support from the City of Grass Valley Council for NID's application to DWR's DSCR grant solicitation this fall. Application to this grant source aligns with NID's Board directives to pursue external funding sources and help offset future water rate increases for both treated and agricultural customers throughout the District's service territory, including in Grass Valley, Nevada City, and western Nevada County.

Staff's recommendation is therefore to adopt the attached Resolution of Support for Nevada Irrigation District's Proposition 4 Funding: 2026 Dam Safety & Climate Resilience Local Assistance Solicitation.

Council Goals/Objectives: Water & Wastewater Systems & Underground Infrastructure

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Funds Available: N/A

Account #: N/A

Reviewed by: Interim City Manager

Attachments: Resolution 2026-52