



COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 17, 2024

ITEM TITLE, PRESENTER: CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING ENTERING INTO AN PARTICIPATION AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE PACK CREEK WATER COMPANY FOR A LOAN AND REIMBURSEMENT OF COUNTY FUNDS TO BE USED FOR THE LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE FOR PACK CREEK COMMUNITY PROJECTS AS PART OF THE GRANT AWARD FOR THE SAN JUAN PACK CREEK EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION 2021 PROJECT FUNDING, Mack McDonald, Chief Administrative Officer

RECOMMENDATION: Make a Motion approving the Resolution and Agreement

SUMMARY

In 2021, due to the Pack Creek Fire, San Juan County applied for and received authorization and funding as a sponsor for watershed protection funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS).

Part of the funding requires a 25% local match. As this is a project that includes County and Community projects, the County would require 25% of the local match on our projects and the Water Company would cover the remaining 75%.

The Participation and Reimbursement Agreement with the Pack Creek Water Company will provide for a Loan Covering the Community Costs of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service 75 Percent Local Match Requirement, Anticipated at \$255,979 for the Pack Creek Emergency Watershed Protection Community Projects.

The Pack Creek Water Company will pay back the funds in annual payments for 5 years or until all funds are reimbursed back to the County.