



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: June 28, 2022

DATE: June 1, 2022

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Trish Dyer, Fiscal Compliance Officer, Community Services Department
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THROUGH: Dave Solaro, Arch., P.E., Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept grant funding [\$22,514.97 with no County match] for Fiscal Year 2022 from the USDA Forest Service, received under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (SRS Act) for the benefit of public schools and roads within Washoe County and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget adjustments (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

Washoe County receives an annual allocation of funds through the SRS Act. The \$22,514.97 received is 50% of the distribution from the US Forest Service under the SRS Act for 2021 and is allocated to Washoe County to be used for roads within the County. The other 50% is directed to the Washoe County School District.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Fiscal Sustainability. Long Term Sustainability.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On May 18, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) accepted \$17,277.34 from the USDA Forest Service under the SRS Act, which was reauthorized by Congress in December of 2019.

The Board has accepted funds annually when they are received.

BACKGROUND

Funding is provided to States and Counties from the U.S. Forest Service under 16 U.S.C. 500. The program objective is to share receipts from the National Forests with the states in which the forests are located. Funds are distributed equally between the Washoe County School District and Washoe County. Washoe County's share of funds is to be used for the benefit of public roads within the County. The program was reauthorized for fiscal years 2021 through 2023 in November of 2021.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: SRS Act.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Scope of the Project: Funding is provided to States and Counties from the U.S. Forest Service under 16 U.S.C. 500. The program objective is to share receipts from the National Forests with the states in which the forests are situated. Washoe County’s share of funds is to be used for the benefit of public roads within the County.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: This funding supplements the budget for roads maintenance and projects, which are currently funded primarily through fuel taxes.

On-Going Program Support: N/A

Award Amount: \$22,514.97

Grant Period: Funds are received annually

Funding Source: U.S. Forest Service

Pass Through Entity: State of Nevada

CFDA Number: 10.665

Grant ID Number: N/A

Match Amount and Type: N/A

Sub-Awards and Contracts: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award, the FY22 budget will be increased by \$22,514.97 in the following accounts:

IN11014 – 431100	Schools and Roads Grants – Federal Grants	\$22,514.97
IN11014 – 781003	Schools and Roads Grants – Road Bridge Capital	\$22,514.97

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept grant funding [\$22,514.97 with no County match] for Fiscal Year 2022 from the USDA Forest Service, received under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (SRS Act) for the benefit of public schools and roads within Washoe County and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget adjustments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: “Move to accept grant funding [\$22,514.97 with no County match] for Fiscal Year 2022 from the USDA Forest Service, received under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (SRS Act) for the benefit of public schools and roads within Washoe County and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget adjustments.”