

# **WASHOE COUNTY**

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## STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: June 11, 2019

**DATE:** Thursday, June 06, 2019

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to accept grant funding [\$20,986.81 with no County

match] for Fiscal Year 2019 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

amendments. (All Commission Districts.)

#### **SUMMARY**

Washoe County has in previous years received an annual allocation of funds through the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (SRS Act). The \$20,986.81 received is 50% of the distribution allocated to Washoe County by the Forest Service under the SRS Act, to be used for roads within Washoe County. The other 50% is directed to the Washoe County School District.

County Priority/Goal supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

On June 26, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) accepted \$22,631.34 from the USDA Forest Service under the SRS Act which was reauthorized by Congress in March of 2018.

On April 24, 2018, the Board accepted \$4,416.58 from the USDA Forest Service under the 1908 Act, which governs the distribution of payments to states in the absence of an authorized SRS Act.

On April 25, 2017, the Board accepted grant funding in the amount of \$4,524.31 from the USDA Forest Service under the 1908 Act.

On April 26, 2016, the Board accepted grant funding in the amount of \$28,083.56 from the USDA Forest Service under the SRS Act which was reauthorized by Congress in April of 2015 for two years.

The Board has accepted funds annually when received.

#### **GRANT AWARD SUMMARY**

**Project/Program Name:** SRS Act

**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:** \$20,986.81

**Grant Period:** Funds are received annually

**Funding Source:** U.S. Forest Service

**Pass Through Entity:** N/A

**CFDA Number:** 10.665

**Grant ID Number:** N/A

**Match Amount and Type:** N/A

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the adopted budget will be increased by \$20,986.81 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

IN11014 – 431100 Schools and Roads Grants - Federal Grants \$20,986.81 IN11014 – 781003 Schools and Roads Grants - Road Bridge Capital \$20,986.81

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept grant funding [\$20,986.21 with no County match] for Fiscal Year 2019 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 amendments.

## **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to accept grant funding [\$20,986.81 with no County match] for Fiscal Year 2019 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 amendments."