



**TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
STAFF REPORT**

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DATE: February 13, 2026
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SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a donation of a 1990 D6-HP6 Caterpillar Dozer, VIN#4RC02534, in “as is” condition from the Nevada Division of Forestry, which has an estimated market value of \$60,000; and if accepted, express sincere appreciation for the donation (All Commission Districts). FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

This item is a recommendation to accept a donation of a 1990 D6-HP6 Caterpillar Dozer, VIN#4RC02534, in “as is” condition from the Nevada Division of Forestry, and if accepted, express sincere appreciation for the donation.

PREVIOUS ACTION

None

BACKGROUND

Since 1957, the Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF) has been providing wildland fire protection to the residents of Washoe County. One such invaluable piece of equipment in their arsenal has been a 1990 D6-HP6 Caterpillar Dozer VIN#4RC02534 (D6 dozer). This D6 dozer has been assigned to the NDF Western Region for most of its life, cutting large lines of fire breaks in an effort to stop many large-scale wildfires in communities such as Galena, Arrowcreek, Sun Valley and Peavine Mountain. Some of the same personnel who have worked alongside the D6 Dozer over its’ thirty-five (35) year career at NDF still work for the District to this day.

Over the years, NDF has modified the means it employs to pursue its mission of protecting Nevada’s forestry and watershed resources. Within the last ten (10) years, NDF has slowly decreased its involvement with dozers, possibly due to the changing focus of how to accomplish their mission. In 2018, our District initiated its first dozer program, which included that very same D6 dozer that was provided on “loan” from the NDF Western Region. As the District’s

dozer program has evolved over the years, the D6 Dozer has responded to several more large-scale wildland fires, including those in Rancho Haven, Palomino Valley and Davis Creek, not to mention several out-of-state fires in Idaho, Utah and Texas.

The staff at NDF has been witness to our personnel's dedication to maintaining the dozer, continuously operating it safely on the fireground, and the pursuit to exceed industry recognized certifications or qualifications. Our commitment to our dozer program, and the reputation earned by our personnel led NDF to end the "loan" agreement and simply donate the D6 dozer to the District, which could be valued as much as \$60,000.

This is a unique and specialized resource, one that many local agencies do not have at their disposal, let alone have readily available within their region. Sole ownership of the D6 dozer allows the District more flexibility with its use, its modification, and its future liquidation. Staff will no longer have to seek permission from the "actual owner", allowing the flexibility for the District to pursue future program enhancements which in turn will benefit the communities the D6 dozer is assigned to protect.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated market value for the 1990 D6-HP6 Caterpillar Dozer is \$60,000. The District will recognize a capital contribution and a capital asset at the market value of \$60,000 in the District's Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (FY25/26) Government-Wide Financial Statements. There is no FY25/26 Budget impact to the donation of the D6 dozer.

The District already incurs costs related to insurance, vehicle maintenance, and operation of the D6 Dozer; however, all additional costs will remain within the FY25/26 general fund budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board to accept a donation of a 1990 D6-HP6 Caterpillar Dozer VIN #4RC02534 in "as is" condition from the Nevada Division of Forestry.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with the Staff's recommendation, a possible motion could be:

"I move to accept the donation of a 1990 D6-HP6 Caterpillar Dozer, VIN#4RC02534, in "as is" condition from the Nevada Division of Forestry, which has an estimated market value of \$60,000; and express our sincere appreciation for the donation."