

Staff Report

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Monica Reyes, Director of Recreation

DATE: April 23, 2025

SUBJECT: 2025 Collection Agreement Financial Plan between NID and the United States Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service Tahoe National Forest

RECREATION

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution - Approving the 2025 Collection Agreement Financial Plan between Nevada Irrigation District (District) and the United States Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service Tahoe National Forest (USFS) and authorize the General Manager to execute the appropriate documents.

BACKGROUND:

In the summer camping and recreation season of 2022, 2023 and 2024 respectfully, NID and the USFS have engaged in annual Collection Agreements. These Agreements have authorized NID to pay the USFS an agreed-upon rate to operate and maintain USFS-owned campgrounds and land within the Jackson Meadow Complex and Bowman Corridor.

The recreational facilities listed below are part of the FERC Yuba-Bear Project #2266. Although the District is aware of no requirement of the Yuba-Bear FERC Project license or Federal Law or Regulation that would require the District to pay USFS to operate USFS Facilities, the District has indicated a willingness to support the operation of the facilities if a reasonable agreement can be reached.

The list of USFS-owned campgrounds and lands which they operate and maintain within the Collection Agreement includes:

- East Meadows Campground
- Pass Creek/Overflow Campgrounds
- Pass Creek and Woodcamp Boat Launches

- Aspen and Woodcamp Picnic Areas
- Jackson Point Campground
- Woodcamp Campground
- Fir Top Campground
- Findley Campground
- Jackson Creek and Canyon Creek Campgrounds
- Dispersed camping at Milton and Bowman Corridor

Over the past several months, staff has worked with the USFS on their 2025 Collection Agreement Financial Plan. The USFS 2025 Collection Agreement Financial Plan is requesting \$250,000, the funds would help the USFS operate and maintain their campgrounds and lands in the Jackson Meadows and Bowman Corridor areas. This Collection Agreement amount will be for 2025 only, all future agreements will be negotiated between the District and the USFS.

This item was originally scheduled on the February 12, 2025, Board agenda and was pulled, due to government cuts to the USFS workforce and the uncertainty of the USFS's ability to effectively operate in the 2025 summer season. Since then, the USFS has re-hired some employees and made changes to their campground staffing operations. The USFS is confident they will have adequate staff to open and maintain the campgrounds within the Jackson Meadow Complex and Bowman Corridor. The changes made by the USFS enabled them to cut their original 2025 Collection Agreement request by \$100,000.

The USFS plans on opening the Jackson Meadows campgrounds on July 4, 2025. They anticipate hiring seasonal/temporary staff through ACE Recruits and Job Corp, and if needed they will fill in the gaps with USFS Administrative staff. The USFS has also agreed that any unused funds from the 2025 Collection Agreement will either be refunded back to NID or transferred to the USFS 2026 Collection Agreement request, whichever NID prefers.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

There is no budgetary impact to this resolution as the 2025 Recreation Budget includes \$350,000 anticipated for the USFS 2025 Collection Agreement.

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Attachments: (3)

- Resolution 2025-27
- FS-1500-18 Collection Agreement Financial Plan 2025
- FS-1500-19 Modification of Grant or Agreement Form 2025



RESOLUTION NO. 2025 -27
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

2025 Collection Agreement between NID and USFS

WHEREAS, On December 31, 2021, the NID Special Use Permit to operate and maintain USFS-owned campgrounds and lands within the Jackson Meadows Complex and Bowman Corridor expired; and

WHEREAS, District is aware of no requirement of the Yuba-Bear FERC Project license or Federal Law or Regulation that would require the District to pay USFS to operate USFS Facilities, the District has indicated a willingness to support the operation of the facilities if a reasonable agreement can be reached; and

WHEREAS, On May 11, 2022, the Board authorized Resolution 2022-28, executing a Collection Agreement between NID and USFS.

WHEREAS, The Collection Agreement authorizes NID to pay the USFS annually for the operation and maintenance of USFS campgrounds and land within the Jackson Meadow Complex and Bowman Corridor; and

WHEREAS, The Board has approved consecutive collection agreements in 2023 and 2024 between the USFS and the District; and

WHEREAS, Recent USFS layoffs have put into question the ability for the USFS to operate and maintain their respective USFS-owned campgrounds and lands for the 2025 summer season within the Jackson Meadow Complex and Bowman Corridor; and

WHEREAS, NID and USFS staff have work together in recent months on an amended 2025 Collection Agreement Financial Plan which reflects current USFS operations in keeping USFS-owned campgrounds and lands within the Jackson Meadow Complex and Bowman Corridor open for public use; and

WHEREAS, The USFS 2025 Collection Agreement Financial Plan is requesting less than previous years as a reflection of amended USFS staffing availability through the 2025 summer season in order to operate and maintain campgrounds and lands in the Jackson Meadows and Bowman Corridor areas; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation 2025 Operating Budget, budgeted \$350,000 for the USFS 2025 Collection Agreement Financial Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Nevada Irrigation District to approve the following:

1. The General Manager or designee to execute the 2025 Collection Agreement Financial Plan between Nevada Irrigation District and the United States Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest in the amount of \$250,000.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District at a regular meeting held on the 23rd day of April, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES:	Directors:
NOES:	Directors:
ABSENT:	Directors:
ABSTAINS:	Directors:

President of the Board of Directors

Attest:

Secretary to the Board of Directors

Forest Service Agreement #

Cooperator Agreement #

Collection Agreement Financial Plan

Cooperator and FS Contributions

COST ELEMENTS and related data				Cooperator Contribution	FS Non-Cash Contribution	
Line Item Cost Subtotals				Subtotal	Subtotal	Combined Subtotals
PERSONNEL						
Resource Specialists (List all personnel):		# of Days	\$/Day			
Recreation Operations Staff				\$135,000.00		\$135,000.00
				\$0.00		\$0.00
				\$0.00		\$0.00
				\$0.00		\$0.00
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					\$0.00	\$0.00
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					\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal, Personnel:		0.00		\$135,000.00	\$0.00	\$135,000.00
TRAVEL						
Explanation of trips: From Where/To Where/For Whom		Vehicle Mileage Cost or Airfare Cost	# of Trips	PerDiem and Lodging		
					\$0.00	\$0.00
					\$0.00	\$0.00
					\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal, Travel:		\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EQUIPMENT						
Name and Type of Equipment:		Unit Cost	Quantity			
GOVs Holdover Vehicles and mileage				\$7,500.00		\$7,500.00
Other Equipment				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal, Equipment:		\$0.00	0	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$7,500.00
SUPPLIES						
Name and Type of Supplies:		Unit Cost	Quantity			
Materials and Supplies				\$30,000.00		\$30,000.00
Generator Fuel Power and Utility Maintenance				\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00
				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal, Supplies:		\$0.00	0	\$36,000.00	\$0.00	\$36,000.00

CONTRACTUAL			
Describe Contracts that will most likely result from this project:			
Hazard Tree Removal	\$30,000.00		\$30,000.00
Toilet/Vault Pumping	\$16,500.00		\$16,500.00
Garbage Collection/Disposal Services	\$25,000.00		\$25,000.00
Plumber	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
Subtotal, Contractual:	\$71,500.00	\$0.00	\$71,500.00
OTHER			
Describe Other Costs of the Project:			
			\$0.00
			\$0.00
			\$0.00
Subtotal, Other:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL DIRECT CHARGES	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00
OVERHEAD ASSESSMENT (if applicable, see FSH 1909.13)	Insert Rate Here:	0.0%	\$0.00
Total Party Costs	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00
COST ELEMENTS SUBJECT TO NATIONAL PASS-THROUGH RATES		Cooperator Contribution	
TOTAL CHARGES			
			\$0.00
OVERHEAD ASSESSMENT (if applicable, see FSH 1909.13)	Insert Rate Here:		\$0.00
Total Pass-Through Costs	\$0.00		
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS			\$250,000.00

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MODIFICATION OF GRANT OR AGREEMENT	PAGE OF PAGES 1 2
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1. U.S. FOREST SERVICE GRANT/AGREEMENT NUMBER: 22-CO-11051700-018	2. RECIPIENT/COOPERATOR GRANT or AGREEMENT NUMBER, IF ANY:	3. MODIFICATION NUMBER: 6
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4. NAME/ADDRESS OF U.S. FOREST SERVICE UNIT ADMINISTERING GRANT/AGREEMENT (unit name, street, city, state, and zip + 4): Pacific Southwest Regional Office, Office of Grants and Agreements 1323 Club Drive Vallejo, CA 94592	5. NAME/ADDRESS OF U.S. FOREST SERVICE UNIT ADMINISTERING PROJECT/ACTIVITY (unit name, street, city, state, and zip + 4): Tahoe National Forest Attn: Hillary Santana and Mary Sullivan 631 Coyote Street Nevada City, CA 95959
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6. NAME/ADDRESS OF RECIPIENT/COOPERATOR (street, city, state, and zip + 4, county): Nevada Irrigation District Attn: Monica Reyes 1036 West Main Street Grass Valley, CA 95945	7. RECIPIENT/COOPERATOR'S HHS SUB ACCOUNT NUMBER (For HHS payment use only):
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8. PURPOSE OF MODIFICATION

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:	This modification is issued pursuant to the modification provision in the grant/agreement referenced in item no. 1, above.
<input type="checkbox"/>	CHANGE IN PERFORMANCE PERIOD:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CHANGE IN FUNDING: Add \$250,000 in new incoming funds from cooperator
<input type="checkbox"/>	ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES:
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHER (Specify type of modification):

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the Grant/Agreement referenced in 1, above, remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

9. ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR DESCRIPTION OF MODIFICATION (add additional pages as needed):
Add new incoming funds to Agreement for continued operations of Jackson Meadows and Bowman by USFS on behalf of Cooperator.

10. ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION (Check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/>	Revised Scope of Work
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Revised Financial Plan
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

11. SIGNATURES

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE: BY SIGNATURE BELOW, THE SIGNING PARTIES CERTIFY THAT THEY ARE THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE PARTIES AND AUTHORIZED TO ACT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS FOR MATTERS RELATED TO THE ABOVE-REFERENCED GRANT/AGREEMENT.

11.A. THE COOPERATOR SIGNATURE	11.B. DATE SIGNED	11.C. U.S. FOREST SERVICE SIGNATURE	11.D. DATE SIGNED
(Signature of Signatory Official)		(Signature of Signatory Official)	
11.E. NAME (type or print): JENNIFER HANSON		11.F. NAME (type or print): JASON KUIKEN	
11.G. TITLE (type or print): General Manager, Nevada Irrigation District		11.H. TITLE (type or print): Acting Forest Supervisor, Tahoe National Forest	

12. G&A REVIEW



<p>12.A. The authority and format of this modification have been reviewed and approved for signature by:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>U.S. Forest Service Grants & Agreements Specialist</p>	<p>12.B. DATE SIGNED</p>
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