

In the Rooms of the Board of Supervisors

County of Inyo, State of California

I, HEREBY CERTIFY, that at a meeting of the Board of Supervisor of the County of Inyo, State of California, held in their rooms at the County Administrative Center in Independence on the 17th day of *August*, 2010 an order was duly made and entered as follows:

CAO/Utility Corridor Support Letter Mr. Brian Loffman from Nye County provided additional information regarding the request for a letter of support for a pre-planning grant regarding the development of a utility corridor from Baker, through Inyo County to Pahrump. The Board discussed how this type of development would be beneficial to the southeastern portion of the County as well as the entire County. The Board also noted that this is the type of development the County has been pursuing over the past several years through its involvement in the RETI program and with the recent enactment of the Renewable Energy Development Ordinance. The County Administrator provided the Board with a revised copy of the letter of support. Moved by Supervisor Cash and seconded by Supervisor Brown to approve the revised letter supporting an application for a pre-planning grant regarding the possible development of a utility corridor from Baker, California, through Inyo County, to Pahrump, Nevada. Motion carried unanimously.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Board this 17th

Day of August 2010



Patricia Gunsolley
Patricia Gunsolley, Assistant

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DATE: August 30, 2010	

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August 17, 2010

Mr. Richard Osborne
Nye County Manager
Nye County Administration
2101 Calvada Boulevard, Suite 200
Pahrump, NV 89048

RE: Nye County, Nevada Application for a TIGER II Planning Grant

Dear Mr. Osborne:

Inyo County is pleased to express its support for Nye County's application to the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grants Program. It is our understanding that Nye County intends to conduct pre-planning activities for a multi-purpose corridor (including roadway, communications, natural gas, etc.) connecting southern Nye County with southern California, through Inyo and San Bernardino Counties that will benefit all three counties. We support the concept of responsible development of infrastructure necessary for economic development in the vicinity of the corridor and believe the TIGER Program will be an invaluable resource in helping Nye, Inyo and San Bernardino Counties toward evaluating potential issues associated with the possible development of a multi-purpose corridor prior to moving into the planning and development process.

Ensuring that transportation corridors are appropriately planned and studied is vital to ensuring the successful development of viable corridors to achieve sustainable economies for our communities, and the planning activities Nye County proposes will help ensure that the optimum corridor is identified for maximum benefit to Nye, Inyo and San Bernardino Counties. We are therefore pleased to offer our support to Nye County as it works toward the goal of responsible infrastructure development, while at the same time addressing their accessibility and safety concerns.

Sincerely,

Supervisor Richard Cervantes, Chairperson
Inyo County Board of Supervisors



AGENDA REQUEST FORM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF INYO

For Clerk's Use Only: AGENDA NUMBER 22
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- Consent Departmental Correspondence Action Public Hearing
 Scheduled Time for 1:00 p.m. Closed Session Informational

FROM: County Administrator

FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF: August 17, 2010

SUBJECT: Nye County presentation regarding possible utility corridor and consideration of letter of support for a pre-planning grant

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

Request your Board receive a presentation from representative of Nye County, Nevada, regarding the possible development of a utility corridor from Baker, California, through Inyo County, to Pahrump, Nevada, and consider a letter of support for an application for a pre-planning grant.

SUMMARY DISCUSSION:

Nye County, Nevada, through its solar energy consultant BEC Environmental, has approached the County about the possibility of developing a utility corridor that would connect areas near Pahrump, Nevada, and Baker, California, through portions of Inyo and San Bernardino counties. To evaluate the project further, Nye County intends to apply for a federal grant from the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grants Program to conduct a pre-planning study. A draft of the grant application is attached for your Board's review and consideration. Your Board is also being asked to consider submitting a letter of support (also attached) for the pre-planning grant.

To the extent that Nye County intends to evaluate the corridor project further, it is imperative that Inyo County's concerns, and those of Inyo County residents and businesses in the southeastern part of the county, be identified and addressed early in the process. A pre-planning study, such as the one for which Nye County is seeking TIGER funds to complete, may be the best way to address issues affecting Inyo County and its residents.

Representatives from BEC Environmental will make a presentation to your Board in support of Nye County's request for a letter of support.

ALTERNATIVES:

Your Board could modify or choose not to send a letter of support for the grant application, and/or provide other direction to staff.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

BEC Environmental is making the presentation on behalf of Nye County, Nevada. If pursued, the project will involve Inyo and San Bernardino counties and the California Department of Transportation and, likely, the Bureau of Land Management.

FINANCING:

Not applicable

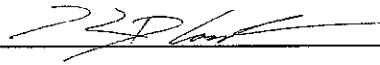
APPROVALS

COUNTY COUNSEL:	AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTS AND ORDINANCES AND CLOSED SESSION AND RELATED ITEMS <i>(Must be reviewed and approved by county counsel prior to submission to the board clerk.)</i> Approved: _____ Date _____
AUDITOR/CONTROLLER:	ACCOUNTING/FINANCE AND RELATED ITEMS <i>(Must be reviewed and approved by the auditor-controller prior to submission to the board clerk.)</i> Approved: _____ Date _____
PERSONNEL DIRECTOR:	PERSONNEL AND RELATED ITEMS <i>(Must be reviewed and approved by the director of personnel services prior to submission to the board clerk.)</i> Approved: _____ Date _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE:

(Not to be signed until all approvals are received)

(The Original plus 20 copies of this document are required)



Date: 8-11-10