

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-_____

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LAKE,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF THE SOUTHEAST
WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR
CONSIDERATION AS A COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING PROPOSAL**

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2026, Honorable United States Congressman, Mike Thompson, distributed a Solicitation Letter providing interim guidance and inviting submittals for Congressional Member requests for Community Project Funding in appropriation bills for the upcoming fiscal year (FY2027); and

WHEREAS, U.S. Congress, House Committee on Appropriations will accept a maximum of 20 Community Project Funding recommendations from each Member of Congress that improve communities, enhance safety, create jobs and improve quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Thompson asked that local governments and eligible non-profits submit only their highest priority projects that fulfill the intent of this opportunity; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, Lake County projects approved for funding by the Appropriations Subcommittee have demonstrated both significant public benefit and broad support; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2026, a force main sewer line broke on the northern section of Robin Lane (*a portion of the Southeast Wastewater Collection System*), and the resulting sanitary sewer spill discharged approximately 1.3 million gallons of raw sewage, with an estimated 3,900 gallons migrating into Burns Valley Creek, which flows into Clear Lake; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lake, with leadership from the Lake County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services and multi-departmental support, and the City of Clearlake are collaborating in earnest to serve affected residents through interim and enduring solutions, and Lake County leaders, including the Special Districts Administration team, are committed to promoting long-term measures that ensure reliable provision of drinking water and wastewater services for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, the Southeast Wastewater Collection System Improvements Project ("*The Project*") confers considerable public benefit, installing two lift stations that will capture a significant amount of water and wastewater flow, reducing burden on existing infrastructure and significantly reducing the probability of future sewage release events; and

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2026, Congressman Thompson led a convening of Lake County

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Sheriff’s Office, County of Lake Administration, County of Lake Special Districts, and City of Clearlake staff with representatives from the United States Department of Agriculture to promote conversation toward precisely the type of long-term solutions this Community Project Funding proposal represents.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors hereby resolves as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. The Lake County Board of Supervisors has reviewed and approves the submission of the Southeast Wastewater Collection System Improvements Project to Honorable U.S. Congressman Mike Thompson, and additionally submit to the offices of Honorable Senator Alex Padilla and Honorable Senator Adam Schiff, for consideration of Community Project Funding, for an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000, to the relevant Appropriations Subcommittee.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake, State of California, at a regular meeting thereof on March 3, 2026 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

COUNTY OF LAKE

CHAIR, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: SUSAN PARKER
 Clerk of the
 Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LLOYD GUINTIVANO
County Counsel

By: _____

By: _____