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PG&E Better Together Grants Team Sacramento, CA NaturePositiveInnovationGrant@pge.com

RE: PG&E Nature Positive Innovation Grant: "NPIG-TERA- Region 1"

Dear PG&E Better Together Grant Program Team,

On behalf of the County of Lake, the Board of Supervisors is pleased to provide this letter of support for the Tribal EcoRestoration Alliance's (TERA) PG&E's Better Together Nature Positive Innovation Grant proposal, entitled "EcoCultural Stewardship Training Demonstration Site". The County of Lake has supported TERA's efforts to acquire a headquarters and is enthusiastic for its potential to develop into a demonstration hub for their training participants, and the broader community. There is currently no similar Indigenous-led experiential natural resources management education initiative and we are confident this project will benefit Lake County and surrounding areas, with increased ability to directly train additional land practitioners, while stewarding the landscape.

Lake County has suffered from a combination of extensive wildfire, drought, and an evolving tree mortality crisis, which has led to enhanced need for comprehensive natural resources management. The Demonstration site will serve as a gathering place and training center for TERA's workforce development program, and also increase land, air, and water stewardship by supporting the habitat of our native plants and the threatened Clear Lake Hitch, a fish species endemic to the Clear Lake watershed. This stewardship is expected to benefit the entire watershed and the health of Clear Lake and its tributaries.

TERA is a multi-Tribal organization that provides land-based stewardship and workforce development programming to grow the economic viability of the county and livelihoods of our community members. The County of Lake has worked extensively with TERA, and is confident in their ability to implement and manage this project. We strongly support this project and highly recommend that PG&E fund this important effort.

Sincerely,
Bruno Sabatier
Chair, Lake County Board of Supervisors

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