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Date: **January 8, 2026**

To: **The Honorable Lake County Planning Commission**

From: **Mireya G. Turner, Community Development Director**
                 Shannon Walker-Smith, Deputy Community Development Administrator

Subject: **9:05 A.M. – Consideration of Request for Recommendation of Adoption of Draft Lake County Climate Adaptation Plan**

Executive Summary: The Lake County Climate Adaptation Plan (CAP) provides a comprehensive, countywide framework to reduce climate related risk and builds long-term resilience for Lake County communities, infrastructure, ecosystems, and the local economy. The CAP addresses increasing wildfire risk, extreme heat, drought, flooding, degraded air quality and other climate driven hazards that affect residents and are projected to intensify in the coming decades.

This plan was developed in collaboration with the City of Clearlake and City of Lakeport through the Planning for an Equitable Climate Safe Lake Project, funded by the California Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation through the Adaptation Planning Grant Program. Adoption of the CAP will better position Lake County to coordinate resilience efforts, integrate climate adaptation into County planning and investment decisions, and remain competitive for State and Federal funding opportunities.

The CAP is organized around the Lake County's Pillars of Landscape Resilience, adopted by the County Office of Climate Resiliency in 2022, and provides strategies across ten interconnected focus areas, including fire-adapted communities, water security, social and cultural well-being and economic diversity. The Lake County Climate Adaptation Plan supports compliance with SB379 and compliments Lake County 2050 General Plan Update, the Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan, and the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

The Climate Adaptation Plan key components include:

- Identifying climate hazards and projected impacts specific to Lake County, the City of Clearlake, and the City of Lakeport.
- Prioritizing vulnerable populations and critical community assets.
- Establishing resiliency strategies and action organized by the Pillars of Landscape Resilience.
- Emphasizing equity, Tribal collaboration, and integration of traditional ecological knowledge.
- Providing implementation framework that aligns with existing County and City plans.

The intention of the CAP is to serve as a framework, guiding future policy development, grant applications, capitol improvement, and interagency coordination.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only:
Estimated Cost: $. Amount Budgeted: $ Additional Requested: $ Future Annual Cost: _____

Purchasing Considerations (check all that apply):   ☐ Not applicable

☐ Fully Article X.- and/or Consultant Selection Policy-Compliant (describe process undertaken in "Executive Summary") ☐ Section 2-38 Exemption from Competitive Bidding (rationale in "Executive Summary," attach documentation, as needed)
☐ For Technology Purchases: Vetted and Supported by the Technology Governance Committee ("Yes," if checked)
☐ Other (Please describe in Executive Summary)

Consistency with Vision 2028 (check all that apply):   ☐ Not applicable

☒ Well-being of Residents   ☒ Public Safety   ☒ Disaster Preparedness, Prevention, Recovery
☒ Economic Development   ☒ Infrastructure   ☐ County Workforce
☒ Community Collaboration   ☒ Business Process Efficiency   ☐ Clear Lake

If request for exemption from competitive bid in accordance with County Code Chapter 2 Sec. 2-38, fill in blanks below:

Which exemption is being requested?
How long has Agreement been in place?
When was purchase last rebid?
Reason for request to waive bid?

Recommended Action: Approve recommendation of approval to the Board of Supervisors of the Lake County Climate Adaptation Plan.