

Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District

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Dear Reviewer,

The Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District is pleased to provide this letter of support for the Glenbrook Homeowners Association's (GHOA) 2023 CWDG application. We have played a central role in the development of their proposed projects and look forward to implementing the shaded fuel breaks beginning next year. This work is critical to lessening wildfire threats in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

While GHOA is carrying most of the matching funds for this grant, the Fire District commits to providing in-kind financial support for the projects. The resulting \$1,700,300.00 in Federal share funding will complete the process of getting the work executed. Our crews and staff have worked with the Glenbrook community for over a decade. We can attest to the HOA's ability to manage this grant and sustain the landscape after the fuels-reduction work is completed. This grant application extends the goals of the Lake Tahoe Basin – Community Wildfire Protection Plan and the Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District's wildland fire management objectives.

GHOA's application accurately reflects the costs associated with having trained-fire crews develop safe fuel breaks in the Tahoe Basin. The scope of work is realistic. That being said, however, federal assistance remains crucial to keeping our Nevada residents safe from wildfire. WE look forward to the help that can be provided through your grants.

The Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District looks forward to partnering with GHOA in implementing these projects. Thank you for your time and support in considering their request.

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