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Mr. Jim Branham
Executive Officer
Sierra Nevada Conservancy
11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205
Auburn, CA 95603

RE: Sierra Nevada Conservancy – Draft Strategic Action Plan

Dear Mr. Branham,

The El Dorado County Board of Supervisors is pleased to submit its support for the Sierra Nevada Conservancy's Draft Strategic Action Plan. Our Board appreciates the efforts of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to develop a Strategic Action Plan that focuses its planning efforts on issues that are of critical importance to the counties and communities within the Conservancy's service area.

Specifically, our Board fully supports the Conservancy's identifying the Watershed Improvement Program and the Proposition 1 Grant Program as priority programs within the Strategic Plan's planning efforts.

The goal of the Watershed Improvement Program to restore the health of the Sierra Nevada watersheds while implementing fuel treatment projects will reduce wildfire risks. This program is a perfect example of the Conservancy's collaborative efforts throughout the region that seek to protect the great natural resources within the Sierra Nevada.

The County of El Dorado looks forward to being actively involved as the Sierra Nevada Conservancy implements the Draft Strategic Action Plan.

Sincerely,

Brian K. Veerkamp
Chairman, El Dorado County Board of Supervisors