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TO: Board of Supervisors

Agenda of June 26, 2018

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RE: Cooperative Agreement for Preserve Manager and Management Activities

#### **Cooperative Management Agreement**

An important component for rare plant habitat management has been the County's participation in the Cooperative Management Agreement (CMA) which was initiated in 2001. Through the CMA, federal, state and local agencies pooled resources to fund rare plant habitat acquisition and management of the Pine Hill Preserve. One component of the CMA is the commitment to partially fund the Pine Hill Preserve Manager position and management activities. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) created this position in 2002 and the County paid the BLM \$25,000 per year. The CMA expired in 2011 and County payments to the BLM ceased in 2012. (The CMA agreement has been updated and extended and has been submitted separately to the Board for renewal).

#### **Cooperative Agreement**

Staff recommends that the Board approve this "Cooperative Agreement" (CA) between the County and the BLM. The Preserve Manager coordinates management activities in the Preserve and provides an annual report to the participating jurisdictions. Staff has prepared a CA to fund the Preserve Manager and management activities at the Preserve for the Board's consideration (Exhibit A). The funding agreement is a five year agreement (2018-2023), authorizing payments to BLM in the amount of up to \$25,000 per year for the Preserve Manager position and up to \$15,000 per year for management activities. The funding source is the rare plant special revenue account.

#### Recommendation

Approve the Cooperative Agreement (CA) (Exhibit A) between El Dorado County and the Bureau of Land Management to support and fund the Pine Hill Preserve Manager and management activities (Exhibit A).

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Exhibit A.....Cooperative Agreement between the Bureau of Land Management and El Dorado County

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