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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Letter

TO:	Board of Supervisors
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SUBJECT:	2021 Federal Legislative and Regulatory Platform

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer, on behalf of the Legislative Subcommittee, requests discussion and possible approval of the 2021 Napa County Federal Legislative and Regulatory Platform. (Unanimous vote required)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each year, the Board adopts the Federal Legislative & Regulatory Platform (Platform). The Platform is a statement of priorities for the Board of Supervisors to guide interactions with federal government. Today's item presents the Legislative Subcommittee's proposed 2021 Platform.

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Staff reports
2. Public Comment.
3. Discussion, Motion, second and vote on item. (Unanimous vote is required)

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The following changes have been made to the current platform. Attached find a redline and clean version of the Legislative Subcommittee's recommended Platform.

Changes to Priority 1:
New Order: Disaster Recovery, Preparedness & Resiliency; Emergency Response/Planned Power Outages; COVID-19; Rural Broadband & Cellular Infrastructure Investment; Lake Berryessa; & Tribal Recognition/Fee to Trust
New Section: Rural Broadband & Cellular Infrastructure Investment
Removed Section: Napa County Airport - The Legislative Subcommittee would like to move this item to a more appropriate section that is focused on seeking funding/grants. Staff will work with the Legislative Subcommittee to identify the appropriate place to highlight this important issue.

Substantial Changes/Updates:

Disaster Recovery, Preparedness and Resiliency (Page 5) - updated the language to include resiliency and other disasters that Napa County has faced in recent years; added action items to support much needed vegetation and forest management funding/support from the federal government; and support of community resiliency and climate-smart infrastructure.

COVID-19 (Page 7) - added two Action items to the COVID-19 Section to support legislation that limits the health and financial impacts of COVID-19 on vulnerable populations and support relief for small businesses, including the child care industry.

Lake Berryessa (Page 9) - added support for efforts to expedite fire-cleanup and related watershed management of the federally managed areas around Lake Berryessa following the LNU Fire, and removed outdated language.

Affordable Care Act (Page 13) - added support for prescription drug affordability

Climate Action (Page 20) - made several updates to the action items, they include:
- Supporting efforts to fund energy efficiency retrofits and job training for transition to renewable energy
- Prioritizing elimination of short-lived climate pollutants
- Expanding and improving water storage and treatment facilities
- Funding to make forests and wildlands less susceptible to wildfires
- Funding for waste-to-energy infrastructure projects

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Clean

B . Redline

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Samuel Ross