## RESOLUTION NO. 2022-\_\_\_\_

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EASTERN SIERRA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS REGARDING THE NEED FOR CONTINUED VIRTUAL MEETINGS TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic continues to threaten the health and safety of communities within ESCOG's jurisdiction since its inception in March 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Newsom has declared a state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Health Officers for Inyo and Mono Counties have recommended social distancing and continued virtual meetings as a means to limit the spread of COVID-19, particularly the highly contagious Delta variant. These recommendations are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of ESCOG that

- 1. The Board has considered the circumstances of the state of emergency related to COVID-19 and declared by Governor Newsom.
- 2. The Board finds that the above-mentioned state of emergency directly impacts the ability of ESCOG to meet safely in person because in person meetings, particularly with the public present, increase the likelihood that COVID-19 will be transmitted throughout the community.
- 3. Local officials—specifically the Health Officers of Inyo and Mono Counties—continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	
Secretary	John Wentworth
·	Chairperson