

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** John Patton, Director  
Planning & Development

**STAFF CONTACT:** Larry Appel, Supervising Planner, x6261

**SUBJECT:** Amendment to an existing contract with Rincon Consultants, Inc. to prepare the Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Providence Landing project, P&D Case Numbers 99-GP-004, 98-RZ-004, TM 14,487, 99-DP-020, 01DVP-00000-00016, 02LLA-00000-00004, 02LLA-00000-00005, and 02LLA-00000-00006. The project site is located on APN 097-371-021, located south of and adjacent to Vandenberg Village, Third Supervisorial District. The amended contract for the EIR would have a new not-to-exceed cost of \$200,914.

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## Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Authorize and execute the amendment to the existing contract with Rincon Consultants, Inc. for the Providence Landing project (Attachment A).

## Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with actions required by law and by routine business necessity.

## Executive Summary and Discussion:

An EIR was prepared for the Providence Landing project (01-EIR-003). Prior to the release of the Draft EIR, additional analysis was completed by Rincon staff to address changes that were made to the project description. After the Draft EIR was released, more review comments were received than were anticipated, therefore, the level of effort required for Rincon to respond to the comments was more extensive than originally budgeted. Prior to finalizing the EIR, the Rincon biological team was requested to conduct additional fieldwork and analysis to satisfy issues that were raised by the

California Department of Fish and Game, and Rincon staff attendance was required at all four Planning Commission hearings. The Draft and Final EIRs for the project turned out to be large documents that include separate volumes for the EIR, Technical Appendix and Responses to Comments. Therefore, the printing costs for the EIR substantially exceeded what was provided in the original project budget. The amended work program covers the additional tasks already accomplished as well as those anticipated through the Board hearings on this project (Attachment B). The cost to amend the EIR is \$13,808, for a new total not-to-exceed cost of \$200,914.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

No change in programs or service levels.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Costs for preparation, and processing of the project's EIR are borne by the applicant.

**Special Instructions:**

- Clerk of the Board to forward a copy of the Minute Order to Planning and Development; Attn: Gloria Kelm, Accounting Section
- Planning and Development will issue a Notice to Proceed to Rincon Consultants, Inc.

**Concurrence:**

Risk Management  
Auditor-Controller  
County Counsel

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Contract Amendment No. 1  
Attachment B: Rincon Amendment letter, dated 02/13/02