

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

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Department Name: Public Works

Department No.: 054For Agenda Of: 06/24/08

Placement: Administrative

Estimated Tme:

Continued Item: No

If Yes, date from: Vote Required:

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Scott McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010

Director(s)

Contact Info: Mark Schleich, Public Works Deputy Director, 882-3603

SUBJECT: Agreement with Laurel Labor Services, Inc. of Santa Maria to Provide On-Call

Casual Labor for Litter Abatement, Construction and Demolition Sorting, Recycled Electronics Packaging and for Spreading Mulch Second and Third

**Supervisorial Districts** 

County Counsel Concurrence

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

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**Recommended Actions:** That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve and execute the attached Agreement with Laurel Labor Services, Inc. of Santa Maria, a local contractor, for services to provide on-call casual labor for litter abatement, construction and demolition sorting, recycled electronics packaging and for spreading mulch, at County operated Resource Recovery and Waste Management facilities for an amount not to exceed \$488,040 for the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009.

#### **Summary Text:**

The Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division of Public Works recently completed a bid process for labor services in which three companies submitted proposals. Laurel Labor Services has experience in all aspects of what the County requires in this contract and they were the low bidder.

The Agreement with Laurel Labor Services, Inc. for casual labor services will allow us to maintain the current level of service for litter abatement and will maintain or increase the amount of material diverted from the landfill as the crews provided by Laurel Labor Services will go through raw waste and separate recyclables by hand.

Litter abatement is mandated through the California Integrated Waste Management Board, and the reduction in the tons of landfilled material by way of recycling is mandated through AB939.

### **Background:**

The Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division of Public Works recently completed a bid process for labor services in which three companies submitted proposals. Laurel Labor Services has experience in all aspects of what the County requires in this contract and they were the low bidder.

The requirements for casual labor at the various Resource Recovery and Waste Management sites are estimated at approximately 10 crew members / 22,000 labor-hours for litter abatement, construction and demolition sorting, and for packaging recyclable electronics, and approximately 1,000 labor-hours for spreading of mulch. In addition, approximately 4 Supervisors / 8,000 labor-hours for supervisory roles are needed.

For over ten years the Tajiguas Landfill and Foxen Canyon Landfill/Santa Ynez Valley Recycling and Transfer Station have used contracted labor to aid in the abatement of litter. Contracted labor is used on an on-call basis, and the labor force is increased when weather conditions warrant.

In 1999 the South Coast Recycling and Transfer Station implemented an intensive construction and demolition sorting program in which hundreds of tons of material are diverted from the landfill each month. In 2000 a similar process was implemented at the Foxen Canyon Landfill and has continued at the Santa Ynez Valley Recycling and Transfer Station. Thousands of tons of material are being diverted from our landfill by our own personnel with the aid of an on-call labor force. Additional personnel can be called in on short notice when large amounts of waste containing recyclable material are delivered to any one of our facilities or when there is a special event such as an electronics collection day. At these collection days, personnel are required to palletize all of the computers, monitors and other electronics to get them ready for shipment via truck.

Curbside green waste as well as self-haul green waste is ground and a mulch product is produced. Much of the mulch is distributed to orchards and other agricultural endeavors, but some of the material is delivered to our own Resource Recovery and Waste Management facilities for landscaping purposes. An extra labor force is needed in this case to spread the mulch.

The availability and use of an on-call labor force has extended the life of the Tajiguas Landfill significantly and is providing beneficial recycling.

# Performance Measure:

The County's established rate of diversion by the CIWMB is 69%, exceeding the Performance measure target of 62%.

# Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: .

Funding for this contract has been appropriated in the Resource Recovery & Waste Mgt. Enterprise Fund's recommended 2008/2009 budget. The source of this funding has been incorporated into tipping

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fee revenues collected from the Tajiguas Landfill waste shed. Funding will be made available through Budget Unit 054, Fund 1930, Account 7460, Programs 1133, 1200, and 1301.

There are no fiscal impacts to other County departments.

Budgeted: Yes

# Fiscal Analysis:

None

### **Staffing Impacts:**

None

### **Special Instructions:**

Please forward one signed copy of the Agreement and Minute Order to Shannon Barcelona, Mark Tautrim and Colleen Hankins in the Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division.

### **Attachments:**

Laurel Labor Contract 2008/2009

# **Authored by:**

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