

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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SUBJECT: **Isla Vista Continuous Deflective Separation Project,
Third Supervisorial District**

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Award the construction contract in the amount of \$179,650.00 to the lowest responsible bidder Lash Construction a local vendor located at 721 Carpinteria Street, Santa Barbara, CA subject to the provisions of documents and certifications, as set forth in the plans and specification applicable to the project and as required by law;
- B. Authorize the Chair to execute the construction contract upon return of the contractor's executed contract documents, and the review and approval of the County Counsel, Auditor-Controller, and Risk Manager or their authorized representatives;
- C. Approve plans and specifications for the project; and
- D. Approve a 10% contingency fund in the amount of \$17,965.00 for the above subject project.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

This project is an element of Project Clean Water, a multi-agency effort led by the County to address stormwater quality issues in the County. The Isla Vista Continuous Deflective Separation (CDS) Project will consist of installing stormwater quality treatment facilities at two separate locations within Santa Barbara County. These CDS units will be installed in Isla Vista along Del Playa Drive on Camino Pescadero and Camino Del Sur.

On February 23, 2004, the County received five bids for the IVS CDS Project. Lash Construction submitted the apparent lowest bid for bid schedules 1 and 2 in the amount of \$179,650.00. Bids were advertised based upon construction of one of these units (at Pescadero) because at the time bids were advertised, there was some uncertainty over use of State funds to construct the project, with the distinct possibility that only one unit could be constructed. In order to afford flexibility, bids included submission of construction costs for two additional units in the event that these could be included at the same time or in the future, through contract award or change order. At this time, the award will include construction of two units (Schedules 1 and 2). Lash Construction was lowest bidder for both one unit and two units.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Water quality improvement efforts have been the goal of Project Clean Water. This project will also support the County's requirements under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II regulations of the Clean Water Act. This pilot project is a structural Best Management Practice that can be used in areas of new development or existing development. Information on installation, maintenance, and overall effectiveness will be used for potential future projects, and will help address County compliance with the storm water management plan required under the Phase II NPDES permit.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

This project is the continuation of a series of projects funded through the State of California. A portion of the funding for this project will be provided through a \$2.1 million grant agreement with the California Coastal Conservancy. A resolution agreeing to the terms and conditions of the grant agreements and authorizing the Public Works Director to enter into each agreement with the Coastal Conservancy to receive these funds was approved by your Board on November 14, 2000. Additional costs of the project will be covered by an \$80,000 grant from the Shoreline Preservation Fund, a student-funded program at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

To date, a number of water quality improvement projects have been installed using the 2.1 million grant. These include: a bioswale and CDS unit at the end of Turnpike Road, CDS units in Carpinteria and Isla Vista, a bioswale and two CDS units at Walnut Park Townhomes near Rhoads Ave. and Walnut Ave. Over \$1.5M of the \$2.1M grant has been spent in site selection, design, and construction of these projects.

This project was included in a final budget adjustment in the 2003-04 Adopted Budget in the Water Agency cost center of the Water Resources Division. The costs associated with this project will be paid from Dept: 054, Fund: 3060, Acct: 8200, Program: 3008. Long-term maintenance of the CDS units will be funded by Project Clean Water and will be included each year in the Water Agency cost center of the Water Resources Division budget.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the minute order of these actions to the Water Agency office, Attn: Christina Lopez.