

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240

Department Name: Flood Control

Department No.: 054For Agenda Of: 02/17/09

Placement: Administrative

Estimated Tme: N/A Continued Item: No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Directors, Flood Control and Water Conservation District

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

Director(s)

Contact Info: Thomas D. Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director, 568-3436

SUBJECT: Goleta Slough SEIR Agreement, 2nd Supervisorial District

<u>County Counsel Concurrence</u> <u>Auditor-Controller Concurrence</u>

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Padre Associates, Inc. (a local vendor) for environmental services in the amount of \$140,200 for the period of February 17, 2009 through September 30, 2010 to develop the Goleta Slough Supplemental EIR; and
- b) Authorize a 15% contingency in the amount of \$20,030 with Padre Associates, Inc. for additional work that may be needed to complete work for the project.

Summary Text:

This agreement is to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for the Goleta Slough Dredging Program to update the existing project. The existing program will serve as the basis for the SEIR for the environmental analysis and permitting but it will also incorporate and use updated information and project descriptions based on the District's past 15 years of experience of sediment removal within the slough area.

Padre was selected based on their qualifications and their specific experience with the Goleta Slough Dredging Project. Padre is also a pre-qualified consultant on the Public Works Department's Master Service Agreement list for environmental services.

Background: The District has routinely maintained the five creeks (Atascadero, San Jose, San Pedro, Los Carneros, and Tecolotito Creeks) that flow into the Goleta Slough for over 40 years. Up until 1994, all of the creeks were desilted using a crane rigged with a dragline bucket. The sediment was stockpiled adjacent to the drainages and left until a contractor needing material would come and remove it at no cost to the District. In November 1993, a PEIR for Routine Maintenance Activities in the Goleta Slough (93-EIR-4) using a hydraulic dredge was written for the District's maintenance activities. Since that time the Goleta Slough has been maintained several times using either hydraulic dredge or dragline desilting methodologies.

In order to continue providing routine stream maintenance activities within the lower Goleta Slough tributaries in a manner that will maintain the capacity and conveyance of these watercourses while minimizing the threat of damage to life, public property and existing infrastructure; the District has committed to development of an updated Maintenance Program and associated Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR). While the existing Maintenance Program has been successfully implemented, a greater understanding of the site conditions and operating parameters of maintenance equipment has allowed the District to develop a more comprehensive Maintenance Program. The updated Maintenance Program will be used for routine maintenance events that will not require annual re-evaluation and permitting efforts. The methodology proposed for the Program is similar to that currently utilized; however the updated Maintenance Program will incorporate an updated project description, establishment of a construction window that will minimize potential impacts and maximize beach replenishment opportunities, construction timing and coordination of desilting activities with respect to endangered/threatened species, development of a Sampling Analysis Plan, and the establishment of the closed Foothill Landfill as an upland disposal site.

Performance Measure:

This action will help achieve our flood control maintenance performance measures.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:		 Annualized On-going Cost:		Total One-Time Project Cost	
General Fund						
State						
Federal						
South Coast FZ	\$	161,230.00				
Other:						
Total	\$	161,230.00	\$ -	\$	-	

Narrative:

This project was included in the Adopted 2008/09 Budget under the Maintenance cost center of the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department as shown on page D-336 in the budget book.

Staffing Impacts:

<u>Legal Positions:</u> <u>FTEs:</u>

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send two originals of the agreement along with the minute order to the Flood Control District office, attn: Christina Lopez

Attachments:

Contract Summary

Agreement with Padre Associations, Inc. (3 originals)

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