

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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Agenda Number:
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Department Name: Public Works/Laguna Sanitation
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If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Directors
Laguna County Sanitation District

FROM: Phillip M. Demery, Director
Public Works Department

STAFF CONTACT: Mark A. Schleich, Deputy Director, Resource Recovery & Waste Management Div.
Martin J. Wilder, District Manager, x8750

SUBJECT: Request for Waiver of Competition in Purchase of 15-ton Crane Truck

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Directors:

Authorize the County Purchasing Agent to procure one used 15-ton Crane Truck from Hertz Equipment Rentals without being required to conduct a Formal Bid Process in the amount of \$47,410.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 1, An Efficient Government Able to Respond Effectively to the Needs of the Community and Goal II, A safe and healthy community in which to live, work and visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

Pursuant to County Code Section 2-39, we are requesting the Board to waive the competitive bidding requirement in the purchase of one 15-ton Crane Truck from Hertz Equipment Rentals with a total order value of \$47,410.

Since completion of the District's Wastewater Treatment Plant expansion in 2003, continuous maintenance and repair on various wastewater treatment processes has required the use of a crane truck. Certain emergency repairs are time-critical and rental cranes are not always readily available. To ensure equipment is immediately available, a crane truck should be on-site at all times. Based on our market research and knowledge of this equipment based on past use, we have determined that the used 15-ton Crane Truck from Hertz Rental Equipment is fairly priced and meets the District's needs. The price of a new crane truck is cost

prohibitive at approximately \$80,000 and the used 15-ton crane truck is immediately available. Because the District has rented the crane truck at a cost of \$9,121.85 to date in fiscal year 2005/2006, Hertz Rental Equipment has incorporated approximately four weeks of rental costs (\$4,000) as a credit towards the purchase price of this truck.

Mandates and Service Levels:

It is essential and cost-effective to have a crane truck to perform complex process maintenance and repairs of several facilities at the Laguna County Sanitation District Wastewater reclamation Plant.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Approval of this action will allow the Purchasing Manager to procure the used 15-ton Crane Truck with a total order value of \$47,410. Funds for this purchase are appropriated into Line Item account 8300 of the Laguna County Sanitation Districts Enterprise Fund 2870.

Special Instructions:

Send a certified copy of the minute Order, attn: John McMillin, Purchasing Manager
Send a certified copy of the minute Order, attn: Martin Wilder, Public Works Department

Concurrence:

Purchasing Manager