



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Flood Control  
**Department No.:** 054  
**For Agenda Of:** May 4, 2021  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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

**FROM:** Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, (805) 568-3010  
Director(s)  
Contact Info: Thomas D. Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director, (805) 568-3436

**SUBJECT:** **Randall Road Debris Basin Project (Project No. SC8371), First Supervisorial District**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Directors:

- a) Approve plans and specifications for the Randall Road Debris Basin Project (Project No. SC8371);
- b) Award the attached construction contract for the Randall Road Debris Basin Project, in the base contract amount of \$3,259,917.70 (including \$117,500.00 in itemized supplemental work) to the lowest responsible bidder V. Lopez Jr. and Sons General Engineering Contractors Inc. (a local/tri-county vender), subject to the provisions of documents and certifications, as set forth in the plans and specifications applicable to the project and as required by law;
- c) Authorize the Public Works Director or designee to approve changes or additions to the work being performed under the Construction Contract, in an amount not to exceed \$175,495.89 for the Randall Road Debris Basin Project, Base Bid Items of Work, and in an additional amount not to exceed \$98,644.63 in the event that the Add Alternate Items of Work are added to the contract scope of work;
- d) Authorize the Public Works Director or designee to approve the addition of the Add Alternate Items of Work to the Construction Contract scope of work, as set forth in Section 2 of the Construction Contract, for a total contract authorization of \$5,232,810.45, on the condition that the District acquire all property interests required to complete the Add Alternate Items of Work, and subject to the review and approval of County Counsel;

- e) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached 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;
- f) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Filippin Engineering (a local vendor) to provide construction management and inspection services for the Randall Road Debris Basin Project, for the period of May 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$388,595;
- g) Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works, or designee, to make immaterial amendments in accordance with Section 48 of the Agreement, and to make amendments to the professional services agreement with Filippin Engineering in an amount not to exceed \$38,859.50; and
- h) Determine that the Randall Road Debris Basin Project to be carried out is for the benefit of a single zone; and
- i) Find that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines section 15162, no substantial changes are proposed, there are no substantial changes in circumstances and no new information of substantial importance has come to light regarding environmental effects of the project or feasibility of mitigation measures and, therefore, this action is within the scope of the project covered by the Final Environmental Impact Report and Final Addendum to the Environmental Impact Report for the Randall Road Debris Basin as well as the Findings approved and adopted by the Board on August 18, 2020 and January 12, 2021, respectively, and therefore, no subsequent environmental document is required. The Findings, Final Environmental Impact Report, Final Addendum to the Environmental Impact Report, and associated information can be found at: <https://santabarbara.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4745446&GUID=8ED4A508-522B-4D48-A892-346CA1C20DA7>

**Summary Text:**

This item is on the agenda in order to approve the plans and specifications (Attachment A), award the construction contract (Attachment B), and approve the construction management and inspection contract (Attachment C) for the Randall Road Debris Basin Project (RRDB Project).

The 2017 Thomas Fire severely impacted the watersheds above Montecito and Carpinteria. A debris basin project was proposed along Randall Road by private interests and received general support by the affected property owners in the area. The debris basin will reduce potential flooding and debris flow impacts at Highway 192 and downstream infrastructure and properties.

District Staff bid the construction of the RRDB Project, as designed, as a potentially two-phased project. The District has acquired the properties necessary to complete the initial phase of the project. However, because the second phase of the project is contingent on the District's acquisition of additional property, the potential second phase of the project was included in the Request for Proposals as Additive Alternate bid items, in accordance with Public Contract Code Section 20103.8.

As specified in the specifications, the low bid was determined based on the bid price of the base contract without consideration of the Additive Alternate bid items. On March 16, 2021, the Flood Control

District received 11 bids for the RRDB Project. V. Lopez Jr. and Sons General Engineering Contractors Inc. submitted the lowest responsive bid for the base contract in the amount of \$3,259,917.70. The second lowest bid for the base contract was in the amount of \$4,154,499.50. The highest bid for the base contract was in the amount of \$7,380,269.00. The engineer’s construction cost estimate for the base contract was \$7,110,500.00.

V. Lopez Jr and Sons General Engineering Contractors Inc. also submitted the lowest responsive bid for the total project, including both the base contract and the Additive Alternate bid items, for a total bid amount of \$5,232,810.45. The engineer’s construction cost estimate for the entire project was \$9,850,000.00. Because construction of the Additive Alternate bid items as a potential second phase of the project is contingent on the District’s acquisition of additional property, the Additive Alternate bid items are not included in the initial scope of work. However, under the terms of the Agreement, the District has the option to add the Additive Alternate bid items to the scope of work at its sole discretion until August 10, 2021. In the event that the District acquires the property required to complete the Additive Alternate Items of Work, the District is requesting that the Board delegate authority to the Director of Public Works, or designee, to approve the addition of the Add Alternate Items of Work at the price competitively bid by V. Lopez Jr. and Sons General Engineering Contractors Inc.

This project was bid in accordance with the Public Contract Code, which requires the contract to be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. The District analyzed the bids and determined the low bid is responsive and responsible. The District recommends awarding this contract to V. Lopez Jr. and Sons General Engineering Contractors Inc.

Filippin Engineering is on the Prequalified Consultant List for Professional Services for construction management for the Public Works Department. Filippin was selected based on their demonstrated competence and professional qualification to enter into an agreement to provide full-time construction management, inspection and material testing services needed for this project.

**Background:**

The District has acquired seven of the eight parcels required to construct the entire RRDB Project, and District staff is currently pursuing acquisition of the final parcel. Approval of the construction contract would authorize construction of the first phase of the project over five of the acquired parcels. In the event that the District acquires the final parcel, the second phase of the project can be constructed over the remaining three parcels.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

<b>Funding Sources</b>	<b>Current FY Cost:</b>	<b>Annualized On-going Cost:</b>	<b>Total One-Time Project Cost</b>
South Coast FZ			\$ 1,483,601.37
HMGP (FEMA)			\$ 4,450,804.10
Fees			
Other:			
<b>Total</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,934,405.47

**Fiscal Analysis:**

Narrative:

On November 17, 2020, the Board approved Budget Revision Request (DJE No. 0007207) to allocate property acquisition and outside vendor costs for this project for the current fiscal year. The majority of construction costs for this project is included in the proposed FY 2021-2022 budget since most of the construction costs will occur next fiscal year. Funding for this project will come from a HMGP grant and the South Coast Flood Zone. No General Fund monies will be utilized with this project.

This project is also included in the 2020-2025 Capital Improvement Program.

**Special Instructions:**

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send one original of the agreement with V. Lopez Jr. and Sons General Engineering Contractors Inc., two originals of the agreement with Filippin Engineering, and a copy of the minute order of these actions to the Flood Control District office: Attn: Christina Lopez.

**Attachments:**

- Attachment A - Plans and Specifications
- Attachment B - Agreement with V. Lopez Jr. and Sons (2 originals and includes contract summary)
- Attachment C - Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Filippin Engineering (3 originals and includes the contract summary)

**Authored by:**

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## Exhibit A

