



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Submitted on:  
(COB Stamp)

Department Name:	Public Works
Department No.:	054
Agenda Date:	July 15, 2025
Placement:	Administrative
Estimated Time:	
Continued Item:	No
If Yes, date from:	
Vote Required:	4/5 vote

**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director(s): Chris Sneddon, P.E., Public Works Director  
Contact: Jeanette Gonzales-Knight, P.E., Deputy Director  
**SUBJECT:** Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Quinn Company to perform a Certified Machine Rebuild of a Caterpillar® scraper (Serial No. ODFJ00362); Third Supervisorial District

**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management, CEO Budget Office

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a service agreement with Quinn Company to perform a Certified Machine Rebuild of a Caterpillar® wheel tractor-scraper (Serial No. ODFJ00362), in the amount of \$871,022.43; and
- Approve and authorize the Public Works Director, or designee, to approve contingency work by Quinn Company in an amount not to exceed \$87,102.24 for any changes that may be required to the scope of work to complete this Certified Machine Rebuild; and
- Approve Budget Revision Request No. 0010503 (Attachment B) increasing appropriations in the amount of \$958,200 in Public Works Resource Recovery & Waste Management Enterprise Fund for the Certified Machine Rebuild (CMR), to rebuild a Caterpillar® wheel tractor-scraper (Serial No. ODFJ00362); and
- Determine that the above-recommended actions are not a Project that is subject to

environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 (b)(2), finding that the actions are continuing administrative and maintenance activities.

### **Summary Text:**

This item is on the agenda to execute an Agreement with Quinn Company to perform a Certified Machine Rebuild on a 2008 Caterpillar® wheel tractor-scraper used at the Tajiguas Landfill in the amount not to exceed \$958,124.67, including a contingency in the amount of \$87,102.24 for possible scope changes. This scraper is essential to landfilling operations and is at the end of its service life. Rebuilding it will increase its usefulness by 10 years or more, negating the need to purchase a replacement scraper, which would cost over \$2.4 million.

### **Discussion:**

This wheel tractor-scraper is one of three earthmoving machines that are vital to the successful operation of the Tajiguas Landfill and excavates and transports dirt to cover solid waste. Without this function, the County would not be able to meet operational or regulatory requirements for solid waste disposal.

The proposed work includes disassembly, reconditioning, and replacement of major components, including engines, transmissions, electronics, hydraulics, and tires. The total contract cost is \$871,022.43, with an added contingency of \$87,102.24 to cover any additional repairs identified during the rebuild process. The full Agreement amount is not to exceed \$958,124.67. The work will take place at Quinn Company's Oxnard facility from July 15, 2025, through January 31, 2026.

### **Background:**

The Department of Public Works, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division (RRWMD) owns and operates the Tajiguas Landfill and uses three model 637G Caterpillar® scrapers to transport dirt from adjacent Borrow and/or Stockpile locations to the Waste Filling Area. This is a critical part of landfilling operations as it allows for the daily dirt cover and intermediate dirt cover of landfill waste cells. The Tajiguas Landfill receives an average of 800 tons of solid waste each working day. Approximately 250 cubic yards of dirt are needed daily to properly cover this waste, in compliance with state and federal regulations.

This scraper rebuild will yield a rebuilt and reconditioned scraper at approximately 40% of the cost of a new scraper. A new scraper has a lifespan of approximately 20 years of operation. While this is not the oldest scraper in the fleet, it has the most hours on it and is at the end of its service life. Rebuilt, this scraper is expected to have its life extended by approximately 10 years of service. This Certified Machine Rebuild comes with the CAT® 36-month, 5000-hour, Extended Protection Program Warranty (EPP).

Quinn Company is an authorized Caterpillar® vendor and has served Santa Barbara County since 1984. Public Works RRWMD procured this bid using the County's cooperative purchasing contract with Sourcwell, Contract #011723-CAT. Sourcwell is a national cooperative purchasing organization that offers competitively solicited contracts to government, education, and nonprofit entities, providing access to pre-vetted vendors and ensuring the best value for goods and services. By leveraging Sourcwell Contract #011723-CAT, the County can engage authorized Caterpillar® CAT®

dealers like Quinn Company to perform specialized repair and maintenance services. This ensures equipment longevity, operational efficiency, and compliance with manufacturer specifications.

**Performance Measure:**

This scraper will be protected by a 36-month, 5000-hour, extended warranty. Staff will also track the scraper's anticipated increased lifespan (10 years).

**Contract Renewals:**


Quinn Company is an established and known vendor to Public Works RRWMD and has successfully met previous contract terms and agreements. Key risk factors for this Agreement for an overall low contract risk rating include: performance period, complexity of contract requirements, contract sensitivity, and the fiscal responsibility of the contractor.

These risk factors have been considered and staff recommends authorization of the Contract Agreement, as the contractor has significant experience performing similar services successfully for the County with no significant issues.

Contract monitoring and document management will be conducted by staff in accordance with the County's Service Contract and Grant Compliance Management Policy (121-111).

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Public Works Department is requesting a revision to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Adopted/Adjusted Budget to increase appropriations in Capital Assets, Line-Item Account 8300 by \$958,200.

**Budgeted:**  upon the approval of Budget Revision No. 0010503.

**Fiscal Analysis:**

Staff is recommending the release of \$958,200 in Retained Earnings from the Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division Enterprise Fund. There is no impact to the General Fund.

Funding Source	FY 2025/26 Cost	Annualized On-going Cost:	Total One-Time Project Cost
General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Federal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SWEF	\$ 958,200	\$ -	\$ 958,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 958,200</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 958,200</b>

**Special Instructions:**

Please email a certified, stamped Minute Order approving this action to:

- Travis Spier, Public Works Department, Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division, Operations Manager at [tspier@countyofsb.org](mailto:tspier@countyofsb.org) and
- Yanette Luna, Public Works Department, Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division, AOP Sr at [yluna@countyofsb.org](mailto:yluna@countyofsb.org).

**Attachments:**

**Attachment A** – Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor, Quinn Company

**Attachment B** – Budget Revision No. 0010503

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