



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Works/Water
Agency
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: July 18, 2017
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
Board of Directors, Water Agency

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

SUBJECT: County-wide Integrated Storm Water Resource Plan Grant, All Supervisorial Districts

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 Supervisors:

- a) Adopt the Resolution entitled "Accepting the Proposition 1 Planning Grant for the Preparation of a Santa Barbara Countywide Integrated Storm Water Resources Plan";
- b) Approve and authorize the Public Works Director or his designee to execute a grant agreement and all subsequent agreements or amendments necessary to receive Proposition 1 Planning Grant funding monies in the amount of \$462,830 from the State Water Resources Control Board for the preparation of a Santa Barbara County-wide Integrated Storm Water Resource Plan;
- c) Approve and authorize the Public Works Director or his designee to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the Cooperating Entities participating in the preparation of the Santa Barbara County-wide Integrated Storm Water Resource Plan;
- d) Approve and authorize the Public Works Director or his designee to execute the First Amendment and any subsequent amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Cooperating

Entities participating in the preparation of the Santa Barbara County-wide Integrated Storm Water Resource Plan; and

- e) Determine that the proposed actions are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), organization or administrative activities that will not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

That the Board of Directors of the Water Agency:

- f) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the agreement with Geosyntec Consultants (a local vendor) for preparation of the Santa Barbara County-wide Integrated Storm Water Resource Plan in the not-to-exceed amount of \$462,190 for the period of July 18, 2017 through June 30, 2019;
- g) Approve a contingency with Geosyntec Consultants in the amount of \$46,219 for any work needed to complete the Santa Barbara County-wide Integrated Storm Water Resource Plan; and
- h) Determine that the proposed actions are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), organization or administrative activities that will not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to: 1) adopt the resolution (Attachment A) accepting the Proposition 1 Grant Agreement (Attachment B) awarded to the County of Santa Barbara by the State Water Resources Control Board; 2) approve and authorize a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (Attachment C) with cooperating local entities; 3) approve an amendment to the MOU (Amendment D); and 4) approve and authorize a Consultant contract (Attachment E) for preparation of the Santa Barbara County-wide Integrated Storm Water Resource Plan (SWRP).

The County Public Works Department proposes to prepare a Santa Barbara County-wide SWRP in collaboration with nine Cooperating Entities comprised of five Cities (Buellton, Carpinteria, Goleta, Guadalupe, and Solvang); three Water Districts (Carpinteria Valley, Goleta, and Montecito); and the University of California at Santa Barbara.

The proposed SWRP will be a regional, watershed-based plan intended to improve the management of stormwater resources throughout Santa Barbara County by identifying water system improvements which increase user self-reliance on local water supplies. Water system improvements will be achieved through the following project types: 1) stormwater and dry weather runoff capture projects; 2) surface water treatment facilities; and 3) green infrastructure. The SWRP will include an evaluation matrix for the identification, benefit quantification, and prioritization of these projects in a manner that efficiently provides for the equitable allocation of limited grant funding sources for project implementation within the County. An approved SWRP will be necessary to obtain future grant funding awards pursuant to the mandates of the Storm Water Resource Planning Act (SB 985) adopted by the California Legislature in 2014.

Background:

In 2014, the California Legislature adopted the Stormwater Resource Planning Act (Senate Bill 985) requiring public agencies to develop a SWRP in order to become eligible to receive future grants for storm water and dry weather runoff capture projects. The requested Board action to accept the grant and authorize the preparation of a Santa Barbara County-wide SWRP would satisfy this requirement. The Santa Barbara County Water Agency proposes to contract with Geosyntec for preparation of the SWRP and grant management. A Request for Proposal (RFP) was sent to consulting firms that had been pre-qualified through the Public Works Department’s Master Service Agreement process. Two firms submitted responses, Geosyntec and Larry Walker Associates. A committee of Public Works staff reviewed the proposals, interviewed the firms, and selected Geosyntec based upon its responsiveness to the RFP, the strength of its technical proposal, and the its experience conducting similar planning efforts in other jurisdictions. Upon completion, the SWRP will be incorporated into the County’s Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.

On June 30, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board awarded the Proposition 1 Stormwater Planning Grant to the County of Santa Barbara. On August 17, 2016, the Cooperating Entities met to discuss the pending process which, if approved by your Board, will consist of an open collaborative of Cooperating Entities, formally recognized Stakeholders, and other interested parties. The MOU outlines this process, which would be managed through the contracted professional services of Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. The MOU has been signed by all Cooperating Entities. However, during the course of the Cooperating Entities signing the MOU, the City of Lompoc declined to participate. The City of Lompoc’s withdrawal required a reallocation of funding, documented in Amendment No. 1 to the MOU.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
DWR Grant Funds			\$ 462,830.00
Water Agency Funds			\$25,000.00
Credit for Previously-expended Match (County and Cooperating Entities)			\$ 278,840.00
Cooperating Entity Matching Funds			\$159,069.00
Total			\$ 925,739.00

Narrative:

The revenue from the grant and the expenditure for the consultant costs to develop the Storm Water Resources Plan are included in the adopted FY 2017-18 budget in the Water Resources Division in the Public Works Department as shown on page D-325 in the budget book.

As awarded, the \$462,830 grant requires a local match of \$462,909. The County’s contribution for this grant is Public Works staff time (i.e., in-kind services) for grant administration and plan preparation. Staff time was included in the proposed FY 2017-18 Water Resources Division budget of the Public Works Department.

Approximately \$279,000 of the \$462,909 match obligation was previously satisfied by qualifying work and improvements expended by the County and Cooperating Entities subsequent to the adoption of grant program funding guidelines. It is estimated that Public Works staff time expended on project management activities will contribute approximately \$25,000 of the remaining required match, with the balance coming from the Cooperating Entities in the form of in-kind services and/or qualified capital expenditures, as described in the MOU.

There are no General Fund monies associated with these agreements.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the Resolution, two (2) originals of the Agreement with Geosyntec Consultants, and a copy of the minute order of these actions to the Water Agency: Attn: Christina Lopez.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Resolution “Accepting the Proposition 1 Planning Grant for the Preparation of a Santa Barbara County-wide Integrated Storm Water Resources Plan”
- Attachment B: Copy of Grant Agreement No. D1612610
- Attachment C: Copy of Memorandum of Understanding
- Attachment D: Copy of First Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding
- Attachment E: Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor w/Geosyntec Consultants includes contract summary (3 originals)

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