

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Public Works

Department No.: 054

For Agenda Of: June 28, 2022

Placement: Administrative

Estimated Time:

 $\text{Continued Item:} \qquad No$

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

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

Director(s)

Contact Info: Chris Sneddon, Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3064

SUBJECT: Waiver of Bids for Procurement of Aggregates, Hot Mix Asphalts, and Concrete

Used in the Construction and Maintenance of County Maintained Roads, All

Supervisorial Districts

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Purchasing

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Authorize the Purchasing Agent to waive competitive bidding for the procurement of aggregates for construction and maintenance of County roads on an as-needed basis from Granite Construction Company (a local vendor), Cal Portland (a local vendor), Martin Marietta. (a local vendor), and Vulcan Materials Company (a Tri-County vendor) through June 30, 2027; and
- b) Determine that the proposed actions are not a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15378(b)(2), as it involves administrative and other general policy and procedure making activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to authorize the Purchasing Agent to waive competitive bidding for procuring aggregate materials needed to maintain and repair roads within Santa Barbara County. There are a limited number of vendors able to provide the materials needed, since suppliers must be located within a short distance from a job site. Materials such as concrete and asphalt must be delivered within a set amount of

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time from preparation by the supplier, or the quality will degrade or even be unusable upon arrival. The County's road maintenance section responds to approximately 1,500 service requests annually, as well as performing planned concrete and paving work during the year. In order for Public Works to respond quickly to compromised road conditions and complete work plans, the Department needs high quality, readily available materials used in construction, maintenance, and emergency repair of the County's Transportation Infrastructure.

Background:

The Public Works Transportation Division maintains 1,650 lane miles of roads in the unincorporated areas of Santa Barbara County. Timely access to road construction materials is critical to achieving Public Works' mission, "to efficiently provide, operate and maintain Public Works infrastructure, facilities, and services to make everyday life as safe and convenient as possible for the public we serve".

Public Works is recommending that the Board authorize the Purchasing Agent to procure aggregate materials from the vendors listed in the table below.

<u>Vendor</u>	Annual Limit	Location of Use
Granite Construction Company (Local Vendor)	\$2,000,000	Locations in South, Central, and North County
Cal Portland (Local Vendor)	\$2,000,000	Locations in North and Central County
Martin Marietta (Local Vendor)	\$2,000,000	Locations in North and Central County
Vulcan Materials Company (Tri- County Vendor)	\$2,000,000	Locations in North and South County

This waiver is recommended for multiple sources in order to ensure access in the event of a disaster, and to minimize the transport time and distance from the production facility to the job site. In the past, portions of the County have been inaccessible during disasters such as storm events, fires, and accidents. The Department needs access to material suppliers located both north and south of Gaviota to ensure access to road repair materials during disasters. In addition, the Department utilizes the vendor closest to the job site, with the specific material needed available, to reduce transportation costs and ensure integrity of the delivered material. Both asphalt and concrete have a maximum time limit from the time it leaves the plant to the time it is placed. Asphalt specifications require asphalt to arrive at the job at a high temperature, which is difficult to maintain over long hauls. Concrete must be placed within 90 minutes of batching. Material quality degrades once these time limits are exceeded. With the remote locations of some Countymaintained roads, access to the nearest supplier is critical. In case of multiple vendors from the above list able to deliver a needed road material, the Department obtains informal quotes from the vendors and uses the one most advantageous to the County at the time.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: N/A

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Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative: All work and related expenditures for materials are included in the FY 2022-23 Recommended Budget for Department 054, as part of operations and capital maintenance activities. Annualized on-going expenditures will be included in future year budgets.

Special Instructions:

Please forward a certified, stamped Minute Order approving this item to Public Works, Transportation Administration, 123 E. Anapamu Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101 Attention: Gail Ocheltree, 568-3094.

Attachments:

None

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cc: Project File