

## 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: February 14, 2017

Placement: Administrative

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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

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

**SUBJECT:** East Mountain Drive Low Water Crossing Replacement Project; County Project

No. 862357; Federal-Aid Project No. BRLO-NBIL(526); First Supervisorial

**District** 

## **County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

## **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached professional services contract for professional structural design, geotechnical design and environmental services with Drake Haglan & Associates, 11060 White Rock Road, Suite 200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 (not a local vendor) in the base contract amount of \$423,986.92, for the East Mountain Drive Low Water Crossing Replacement Project; County Project No. 862357; Federal-Aid Project No. BRLO-NBIL(526); First Supervisorial District;
- b) Authorize the Director of Public Works or designee to approve clerical amendments and amendments to the professional services agreement within the scope of work in an amount up to and not to exceed \$42,398.69; and
- c) Find that the proposed contract does not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to 14 CCR 15378 (b)(5) (Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment), and approve and direct staff to file the attached Notice of Exemption on that basis.

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## **Summary Text:**

This item is on the agenda to award a professional services contract to Drake Haglan & Associates for the structural design, geotechnical design and environmental services on the East Mountain Drive Low Water Crossing (LWC) Replacement Project.

On November 7, 2016, the Public Works Department advertised a Notice for Request for Proposals (RFP) on the Public Works website seeking a consultant services firm for the structural design, geotechnical design and environmental services for the East Mountain Drive LWC Replacement Project. On November 29, 2016, one (1) proposal was received. Caltrans evaluated and subsequently approved a Public Interest Finding request for the use of non-competitive negotiated consultant contracts. The proposal was evaluated by Public Works staff based on selection criteria defined in the request for proposal (RFP). Staff found that the Drake Haglan & Associates proposal was responsive, met the qualifications and experience required to perform the work, and was the top ranked proposal as defined by the RFP. A separate sealed bid submittal was then opened and was the starting point for cost negotiations. Staff recommends awarding the contract to Drake Haglan & Associates on the basis of their demonstrated competence and professional qualifications, and an agreed negotiated price.



## **Background:**

Currently, East Mountain Drive is a winding, two-lane roadway with graded unpaved shoulders. Where East Mountain Drive crosses the Cold Springs Creek, the roadway is roughly 18' wide and is bounded by boulders on each bank.

During seasonal rain events, the LWC overtops the roadway creating nuisance flows and impedes the upstream migration of the Southern Steelhead trout. At times of larger, less frequent rain events the depth of flow at the crossing increases, limiting vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian access and periodically

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rendering the road impassable. At these times, a 2.5-mile detour is in effect. The Drake Haglan & Associates scope of work includes studying the project's potential environmental impacts.

The purpose of the project is to improve safety for the traveling public and emergency access along East Mountain Drive. Replacement of the existing LWC at Cold Springs Creek with an all season structure will provide uninterrupted access, improved safety and fish passage elements. The proposed bridge construction would allow for the safe crossing of Cold Springs Creek under all weather conditions for area residents, mountain bikers and hikers utilizing the adjacent trails and will improve emergency access.

## **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

## **Fiscal Analysis:**

Funding Sources	Total One-Time Project Cost
Highway Bridge Program (HBP)	\$ 412,891.18
State Toll Credits	\$ 53,494.43
Total	\$ 466,385.61

#### **Narrative:**

The Preliminary Engineering phase of this project is funded by 88.53% Federal Highway Bridge Program (HBP) funds and 11.47% State Toll Credits utilized as matching funds. The funds are budgeted in Dept. 054, Fund 0017, Org. Unit 0600, Program 2820, and Account 7460 for FY 2016/2017.

## **Key Contract Risks:**

There is moderate risk associated with this contract. The Preliminary Engineering phase of this project is funded in the FY 2016/17 budget.

## **Special Instructions:**

Please forward the following items to Gena Valentine Felix in the Public Works Department, Transportation Division, Engineering Section office, 123 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, at extension 3064:

- A certified, stamped Minute Order approving these recommendations
- Two duplicate original executed contracts (one original contract to remain on file with the Clerk of the Board)

## **Attachments:**

Attachment A: Contract Summary Form

Attachment B: Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor for East Mountain Drive Low Water Crossing Replacement Project; County Project No. 862357; Federal-Aid Project No.

BRLO-NBIL(526); (3 originals)

Attachment C: Notice of Exemption

## **Authored by:**

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