



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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May 15, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 5  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to prepare the construction and maintenance services contracts in the form previously approved by County Counsel, execute the contracts, and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds filed by the contractors for the following:

Project ID No. FCC0001024 - CDR 342.035 CMP Replacement and CDR 342.051 CMP Replacement, vicinity of East Los Angeles (1), to Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc., in amount of \$169,130.00.

Project ID No. FCC0001058 - Big Dalton Dam and Reservoir Sediment Removal, Subdrain Extension, and Sluice Gate Stem Rehabilitation, in the Angeles National Forest Area of the City of Glendora (5), to CJW Construction, Inc., in amount of \$2,988,125.00.

Project ID No. RDC0013566 - East Fork Road, et al., in the Angeles National Forest (5), to Certified Coatings Company, in amount of \$341,998.00.

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Project ID No. RDC0013959 - Avenue G, vicinity of Wilsona Gardens (5), to Maverick Asphalt, Inc., in amount of \$1,318,581.00.

Project ID No. RDC0014644 - Sunshine Park at Yorbita Road, vicinity of City of Industry (1), to Buso Constructors, Inc., in amount of \$196,904.00.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

We are recommending that your Board award these construction and maintenance services contracts and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute the contracts and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved bonds and insurance filed by contractors for each of these projects.

The enclosure for each project includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening dates, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposals for each project are also enclosed, including addenda to the contract specifications for Project ID Nos. FCC0001058, RDC0013566, RDC0013959, and RDC0014644.

The recommended construction and maintenance services contracts are necessary to execute Board-directed and approved Public Works projects in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract awards and our subsequent execution of the contracts will ensure the timely completion of the projects.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The award of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since these contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The enclosure for each project includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate and the other bids received.

These projects are included in the 2006-07 Department of Public Works Budget. The enclosure for each project includes more detailed fiscal and financial information.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Recommended contract awards are to the lowest responsible bidders in accordance with the California Public Contract Code and your Board's directives.

On October 27, 1981, your Board adopted a program for the use of small Minority and Women-owned Businesses (MWBs) on Federal- and State-funded highway construction contracts. Companies meeting these requirements are certified by the State as Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs). An overall goal for subcontracting portions of the work to DBEs is established for each project. Contracts are recommended for award to the lowest responsible bidder who meets the goal or documents a good faith effort to do so in conformance with the program.

We have also developed an outreach program to encourage all qualified contractors to participate in the bidding and contracting process on our projects. Under this program, we place notices of upcoming bids in local and minority newspapers throughout the County. These notices indicate that copies of plans and specifications are available at specified libraries and the Public Works Headquarters building. This allows interested contractors to view the plans and specifications at convenient locations. We also provide telephone numbers (including one for Spanish-speaking contractors) to obtain further information on bidding and subcontracting opportunities.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, each of these projects was listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the project specifications stating that the contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws.

The contracts will be in the form previously approved by County Counsel. We will also review and approve the faithful performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time your Board called for bids. The specifics of these findings are included in the enclosure for each project.

## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to report solicitations of improper consideration by County employees and allowing the County to terminate the contract if it is found that the contractor offered or gave improper consideration to County employees.

Public Works has confirmed that all of the respective contractors are in compliance with the County's Child Support Compliance Program and the requirements of the Contractor Employee Jury Service Program. In addition, the contracts will include language requiring compliance with the Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law).

The project specifications also contain a provision that, should the contractor require additional or replacement personnel to fill employment openings, consideration shall be given to hiring qualified participants in the County's Greater Avenues for Independence or General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs.

To ensure that the contracts are awarded to responsible contractors with satisfactory performance histories, bidders are required to report False Claims Act violations, labor law/payroll violations, debarments, their civil litigation history, and information regarding prior criminal convictions. The information reported by all of the respective contractors was considered before making this recommendation to approve execution of the contracts.

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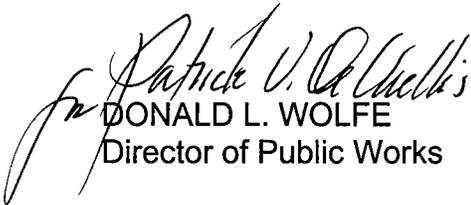
**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

These construction and maintenance services contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled. Where appropriate, local residents and businesses will be informed that traffic and local access may be mildly disrupted during the construction. The proposed schedules for construction are included in the enclosure for each project.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

  
DONALD L. WOLFE  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

AWARD OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001024, CDR 342.035 CMP REPLACEMENT AND CDR 342.051 CMP REPLACEMENT (in the vicinity of East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1

TYPE OF WORK: Replacement of existing corrugated metal pipe storm drains with reinforced concrete pipe and other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: March 20, 2007 (Agenda No. 54)

BID OPENING DATE: April 17, 2007

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc., a corporation P.O. Box 309 Brea, California 92822-0309 (562) 984-7340	\$169,130.00
2	+L.A. Builders, Inc.	\$188,822.00
3	Romona, Inc.	\$198,480.00
4	*Vasilj, Inc.	\$199,000.00
5	Mike Prlich & Sons, Inc.	\$203,699.00
6	*Prkacin Company	\$208,288.00
7	Vasily Company, Inc.	\$219,580.00
8	Cedro Construction, Inc.	\$224,670.00
9	Andrew Papac & Sons	\$226,565.00
10	Excel Paving Company	\$229,435.00
11	*Atlas Underground, Inc.	\$242,609.00
12	DLSB, Inc.	\$258,970.00
13	*The Allison Company	\$262,850.00
14	*Sol Construction, Inc.	\$282,970.00

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$217,270.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$169,130.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 48,140.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 22 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are available in the Flood Control District budget for Fiscal Year 2006-07.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15302(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act and Class 2, Subsection (b), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 30 working days. It is estimated the work will start in July and be completed in August 2007.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001058, BIG DALTON DAM AND RESERVOIR SEDIMENT  
REMOVAL, SUBDDRAIN EXTENSION, AND SLUICE GATE STEM REHABILITATION  
(in the Angeles National Forest area of the City of Glendora), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Removal and disposal of sediment and other debris, extension of a reinforced concrete pipe subdrain, rehabilitation of an existing sluice gate stem, and other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: March 20, 2007 (Agenda No. 43)

BID OPENING DATE: April 17, 2007

BID SUMMARY:

Low	*CJW Construction, Inc. 841 East Washington Avenue, Suite B Santa Ana, California 92701 (714) 835-6820	\$2,988,125.00
2	Mike Bubalo Construction Company, Inc.	\$3,447,450.00
3	Environmental Crushing and Materials	\$3,569,652.00
4	*Doja, Inc.	\$3,710,350.00
5	Wood Bros., Inc.	\$3,894,590.00
6	+Clarke Contracting Corporation	\$4,310,760.00
7	+*Olivas Valdez, Inc.	\$4,436,300.00
8	Griffith Company	\$4,529,790.00
9	Vance Corporation	\$5,463,070.00

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$2,692,310.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$2,988,125.00
Amount of recommended contract above estimate	\$ 295,815.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 11 percent above the estimate, which was based on the bid price history of the various items. A review of the estimate indicates prices of several items were below current market prices. Since all nine bids received were above the estimate and are very competitive, we do not believe readvertising the project will result in lower bids. Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to the low bidder.

Sufficient funds for this project are available in the Flood Control District budget for Fiscal Year 2006-07.

#### MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA

CJW Construction, Inc., has one MWBE subcontractor/supplier under this contract, yielding a proposed MWBE participation of 11 percent.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The California Environmental Quality Act requires public agency decision makers to document and consider the environmental implications of their actions. This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15302, Class 2 (c), of the California Environmental Quality Act and Class 1, Subsection (e), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

#### CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 100 working days. It is estimated the work will start in July and be completed in December 2007. Local residents and businesses will be informed traffic and local access will be mildly disrupted during the construction.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013566, EAST FORK ROAD, ET AL. (in the Angeles National Forest), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Cleaning and painting of the existing bridges on East Fork Road over Susana Canyon Creek and East Fork Road over East Fork San Gabriel River.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: March 20, 2007 (Agenda No. 56)

BID OPENING DATE: April 17, 2007

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Certified Coatings Company, a corporation 1045 Detroit Avenue Concord, California 94518 (925) 686-1550	\$341,998.00
2	Southland Construction	\$349,500.00
3	RPI Coating, Inc.	\$354,000.00
4	Abhe & Svoboda, Inc.	\$383,310.00
5	*CAM Painting, Inc.	\$391,400.00
6	C. T. Georfiou Painting Co.	\$440,000.00
7	Olympic Painting Co.	\$480,900.00
8	*Mehta Construction Co., Inc.	\$561,000.00

\*MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$448,000.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$341,998.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$106,002.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 24 percent below the estimate.

This project will be administered under the Federal Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (HBRR) Program covered by Agreement No. 71078 with the State of California. Under this program, Federal-aid grant funds will be used to finance a portion of the project cost. This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Certified Coatings Company has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION:

The California Environmental Quality Act requires public agency decision makers to document and consider the environmental implications of their actions. This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (x)(11), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The project is to be completed in 50 working days. It is estimated the work will start in July and be completed in September 2007. Traffic and local access may be mildly disrupted during the construction.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013959, AVENUE G (in the vicinity of Wilsona Gardens),  
Supervisory District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement and  
installation of striping and pavement markings.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: March 6, 2007 (Agenda No. 55)

BID OPENING DATE: April 3, 2007

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Maverick Asphalt, Inc., a corporation P.O. Box 13490 Bakersfield, California 93389 (661) 410-1134	\$1,318,581.00
2	Granite Construction Company	\$1,371,873.00
3	Griffith Company	\$1,562,622.24

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$1,701,173.90
Amount of recommended contract	\$1,318,581.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 382,592.90

The amount of the recommended contract is 22 percent below the estimate.

This project will be administered under the Federal Transportation Program (STP) covered by Agreement No. 71078 with the State of California. Under this program, Federal-aid funds allocated to local agencies are used to finance a portion of the cost of the road improvement projects. We are also seeking a Rubberized Asphalt Concrete grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board. This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Maverick Asphalt, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsections (x)(2) and (x)(23), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The project is to be completed in 90 working days. It is estimated the work will start in July and be completed in December 2007.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014644, SUNSHINE PARK AT YORBITA ROAD (in the vicinity of City of Industry), Supervisorial District 1

TYPE OF WORK: Construction of Portland cement concrete pavement, reinforced concrete block walls and stairways, chainlink and wood fences, and curb drains; planting of shrubs; installation of an irrigation system; and other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: March 13, 2007 (Agenda No. 44)

BID OPENING DATE: April 10, 2007

BID SUMMARY:

Low Buso Constructors, Inc. 12881 Knott Avenue, Suite 112 Garden Grove, California 92841 (714) 895-2700	\$196,904.00
2 Southland Construction	\$246,000.00

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$170,407.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$196,904.00
Amount of recommended contract above estimate	\$ 26,497.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 16 percent above the estimate, which was based on the bid price history of the various items. A review of the estimate indicates the prices of several items were below current market prices. Since both bids received were above the estimate, we do not believe re-advertising the project will result in lower bids. Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to the low bidder.

This project will be administered under the Community Development Block Grant Program. Under this program, the County will be reimbursed for a portion of the project costs using a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Buso Constructors, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsections (m), (x)(8), and (x)(13), and Class 3 (h) of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Sections 15301(c) and 15303(e) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 35 working days. It is estimated the work will start in June and be completed in August 2007.

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