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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**WATER RESOURCES CORE SERVICE AREA
AWARD CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENTS FOR
AS-NEEDED ENGINEERING AND PROJECTS MANAGEMENT SERVICES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Public Works is seeking Board approval to authorize the Department of Public Works to execute 13 consultant services agreements. The agreements are for as-needed engineering and project management services in areas such as water resources, flood hazard mitigation, waterworks and related engineering, and telemetry systems. These agreements will enable Public Works and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District; the County of Los Angeles Waterworks Districts; and the County of Los Angeles Sewer Maintenance Districts to plan, develop, and complete projects and assignments to fulfill its missions, as well as comply with local, State, and Federal rules, regulations, and mandates.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed action is not a project in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act for reasons stated in this Board letter.
2. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute consultant services agreements with the following three small-sized firms: DRP Engineering, Inc., Paradigm Environmental, Inc., Watearth, Inc.; three medium sized firms: CWE, Larry Walker Associates, Inc., Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering, Inc.; and seven large sized firms: Brown and Caldwell, CH2M Hill, Inc., Geosyntec Consultants, Inc., Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., Tetra Tech, Inc., Woodard &

Curran, Inc., and WSP USA, Inc. to provide as-needed engineering and project management services for Public Works and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District; the County of Los Angeles Waterworks Districts; and the County of Los Angeles Sewer Maintenance Districts for a not-to-exceed total program amount of \$60,000,000, commencing upon full execution of the agreements.

The expiration of each of the consultant services agreements is subject to the following condition: where services for a given project have been authorized in writing by the County, but are not completed by the consultant prior to the stated expiration date, the expiration date will be automatically extended solely to allow for the completion of such services.

3. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to authorize additional services and extend each of the agreement's expiration date as necessary to complete those additional services when those additional services are: 1) previously unforeseen, 2) related to a previously assigned Scope of Work on a given project or assignments, and 3) are necessary for the completion of that given project or assignment.

4. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to administer the above-referenced agreements and, at the discretion of the Director of Public Works, to exercise the option to extend any or all of the contracts for one additional year, based upon project demands and the level of satisfaction with the services provided, for a total duration of 4 years.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to retain 13 consultants to provide the Department of Public Works; the Los Angeles County Flood Control District; the County of Los Angeles Waterworks District; and the County of Los Angeles Sewer Maintenance District, with as-needed engineering and project management services in the areas of water resources, flood hazard mitigation, waterworks, and related engineering and telemetry systems. The services could include tasks related to water related studies, planning, engineering, project concepts, design engineering, drilling and construction of water wells, equipping of water wells, project management, and public meeting facilitation and presentation. The recommended actions will enable Public Works and the Districts to fulfill its missions as well as comply with local, State, and Federal rules, regulations, and mandates.

The recommended actions will enhance Public Works' ability to plan and design projects within the Enhanced Watershed Management Plans to comply with the 2012 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit. The recommended action will also enable Public Works to manage the increase in studies and project development resulting from the increased emphasis on aging infrastructure and multiuse within the Flood Control District.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The County Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Strategy II.1, Drive Economic and Workforce Development in the County and Objective II.1.2 Support Small Businesses and Social Enterprises; Strategy 11.3, Make Environmental Sustainability on Daily Reality and Objective II.3.1, Improve Water Quality, Reduce Water Consumption, and Increase Water Supplies; and Strategy III.3, Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability. The recommended actions improve the environmental, economic, and social well-being of our communities while maximizing and leveraging resources.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total cost of the as-needed consultant services shall not exceed an aggregate total of \$60 million, which represents the estimated cost to provide services over the 3-year period with the option to extend each agreement by one additional year, for a total duration of 4 years. It is expected that the initial 3-year term of the agreements will start during Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19 and conclude in FY 2020-21. The 1-year extension option, if exercised, would be operative through FY 2021-22.

Funds will be encumbered in the following Public Works administered funds: the Flood Control District Fund; Road Fund; Public Works General Fund (unincorporated County Areas Urban Runoff and Stormwater Quality Program); Waterworks Districts Funds; Sewer Maintenance Districts Funds; and other fund sources available to the Department of Public Works. Funds will be encumbered prior to the consultant being directed to provide services. Total expenditures for these services will not exceed the amount approved by the Board. Funding for the services that are required in FY 2018-19 is included in the FY 2018-19 budgets of the various Public Works administered funds. Funds to finance the remainder of the agreement term and optional year will be requested through the annual budget process.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard consultant services agreement, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, will be used. The consultant services agreements will contain terms and conditions in compliance with the Chief Executive Office's and the Board's requirements.

The consultants were selected upon final analysis and consideration without regard to race, creed, gender, or color. The enclosed spreadsheet reflects the consultants' minority participation.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended actions are not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because they are activities that are excluded from the definition of a project by Section 15378(b) of the CEQA Guidelines. The proposed action, to award as-needed consultant services agreements for anticipated future projects and maintenance activities, is an administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect changes to the environment. We will return to the Board as necessary for consideration of appropriate environmental documentation pursuant to CEQA prior to commencement of activities under the agreements.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On September 19, 2017, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals (RFP). The RFP was posted on Public Works' websites at "Doing Business with Us" and "Business Opportunities" and in the Los Angeles Daily Journal, Los Angeles Sentinel, and La Opinion newspapers. Also, Public Works informed over 1,300 local small business enterprises about this business opportunity. Eighty-six firms registered on Public Works website for this RFP.

The RFP allowed firms to compete as primes in one of three categories: small-sized firms (with 25 or fewer personnel), medium sized firms (with 26 to 75 personnel), or large-sized firm (with over 75 personnel). Each firm was requested to certify its own size based on number of personnel for competition with other firms in the same size category.

On October 31, 2017, a total of 20 proposals were received. One proposal was disqualified for being nonresponsive. Three small sized firms, five medium-sized firms, and 11 large-sized firms passed the requirements.

An evaluation committee composed of staff from Public Works evaluated the proposals based on criteria described in the RFP, including technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding of the work requirements. The evaluations were completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender, and in accordance with the Board-approved informed averaging methodology. Based on the evaluation of the proposals, the following firms were selected: small-sized category were DRP Engineering, Inc., Paradigm Environmental, Inc., Watearth, Inc.; medium-sized category were CWE, Larry Walker Associates, Inc., Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering, Inc.; and large-sized category were Brown and Caldwell, CH2M Hill, Inc., Geosyntec Consultants, Inc., Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., Tetra Tech, Inc., Woodard & Curran, Inc., and WSP USA, Inc. The selected firms represent the best qualified firms from each sized category to provide the required services. Public Works has determined that the firms' proposed rates for performing the services are reasonable.

The Community Business Enterprises participation data and 3-year contracting history for the 13 selected firms are on file with Public Works.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the County of Los Angeles Code, Chapter 2.201 (Living Wage Program) does not apply to the recommended agreements. These consultant services agreements are exempt from the requirements of Proposition A because the services are required on a part-time and intermittent basis. Public Works notified the Union on this solicitation.

The consultant services agreements include a cost-of-living adjustment provision in accordance with the Board policy, which was approved on January 29, 2002.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current County services or projects as a result of authorizing the recommended consultant services agreements. These agreements will provide necessary as-needed engineering and project management services in an efficient manner by enhancing the delivery of Public Works' and the Districts' missions.

CONCLUSION

Please return an adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Stormwater Planning Division.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Pestrella". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Pestrella".

MARK PESTRELLA

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Chia-Ann Yen)
County Counsel
Executive Office

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
CONSULTANT'S UTILIZATION PARTICIPATION FOR AS-NEEDED ENGINEERING AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT
SUPPORT SERVICES**

ENCLOSURE

SELECTED FIRMS

Small-Sized Business Category Consultant Name (Prime with subcontractors* listed below) *only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	Local SBE	SBE	Minority	Women	Disadvantaged	Disabled/Vet
DRP Engineering, Inc.	X		X			X
Beyaz & Patel, Inc.		X	X			X
Hongjoo Kim Landscape Architects, Inc.	X		X			
Safna Engineering and Consulting	X	X	X			
Soto Resources			X	X		
The Alliance Group Consulting	X	X			X	
VCA Engineers, Inc.	X		X		X	
VIRTEK Company	X	X	X		X	
Wagner Engineering and Survey, Inc.	X					
Waterth, Inc.		X		X	X	
Paradigm Environmental, Inc.						
Beyaz & Patel, Inc.		X	X		X	
FME Pandion	X	X	X		X	X
Hernandez, Kroone & Associates, Inc.		X		X		
IEM	X			X	X	
Ninyo & Moore			X			
Stillwater Sciences	X				X	
Geoscience		X				
Larry Walker Associates, Inc.		X				
Lotus Water		X				
Waterth, Inc.	X	X		X	X	
Lynn Capouya Landscape Architects		X		X	X	

Medium-Sized Business Category Consultant Name (Prime with subcontractors* listed below) *only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	Local SBE	SBE	Minority	Women	Disadvantaged	Disabled/Vet
CWE		X				
AHBE Landscape Architects					X	
AirX Utility Surveyors		X		X		
JC Chang & Associates		X				
Mason & Mason Real Estate Appraisers and Consultants		X		X		
Larry Walker Associates, Inc.		X				
Catalyst Environmental Solutions	X	X				
Everest International Consulting	X	X				
EW Consulting		X	X	X	X	
FMF Pandion		X	X		X	X
Integrated Engineering Management	X	X		X	X	
Mikhail Ogawa Engineering		X	X			
Ninyo & Moore			X			
Project Partners		X	X		X	
S. Groner Associates	X	X				
Todd Groundwater		X		X		
Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering, Inc.		X				
KOA		X				
Pac Rim Engineering		X	X		X	
Ninyo & Moore			X			
Wagner Engineering and Survey, Inc.	X	X		X	X	
Project Partners		X	X		X	
Lynn Capouya Inc.		X		X	X	
VCS Environmental				X	X	
Katz & Associates		X		X		

Large-Sized Business Category Consultant Name (Prime with subcontractors* listed below) *only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	Local SBE	SBE	Minority	Women	Disadvantaged	Disabled/Vet
Brown and Caldwell						
Integrated Engineering Management	X			X		X
Catalyst Environmental Solutions	X	X				
S. Groner Associates	X					
GENTERRA Consultants, Inc.		X				
Larry Walker Associates, Inc.		X				
DRP Engineering, Inc.	X		X			X
Epic Land Solutions, Inc.	X					
Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering (PACE)		X				
Project Partners		X	X			X
Wagner Engineering and Survey, Inc.	X	X		X		X
CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc.						
Diaz Yourman & Associates			X			X
Effect Strategies						X
Larry Walker Associates, Inc.		X				
Lee & Ro, Inc.			X			
Lynn Capouya, Inc.		X		X		X
The Robert Group			X	X		X
Wagner Engineering & Survey, Inc.	X			X		X

Large-Sized Business Category (continued) Consultant Name (Prime with subcontractors* listed below) *only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	Local SBE	SBE	Minority	Women	Disadvantaged	Disabled/Vet
Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.						
AquaBio Environmental Technologies	X	X	X			
Beyaz & Patel		X	X		X	
Calvada Surveying		X	X		X	X
Citadel CPM, Inc.	X					
Cordoba Corporation		X			X	
Creager Corporation		X				X
CWE		X	X		X	
Dabiri, Inc.		X	X	X	X	
DDB Engineering, Inc.		X	X	X	X	
E.W. Moon, Inc.		X	X		X	
FMF Pandion		X	X		X	X
IEM - Integrated Engineering Management	X	X		X	X	
Kris Helm Consulting		X				
M2 Resource Consulting		X		X	X	
MTGL, Inc.		X	X	X	X	
MugenKioku Corporation	X	X	X	X	X	
OLIN				X		
Prime Source	X	X				
Projectline		X	X	X	X	
RVA		X		X	X	
SAFNA	X	X	X			
Urban Strategy Group (USG)		X	X			
VCA Engineers, Inc.	X	X	X		X	
VMA Communications	X	X			X	
Wagner Engineering & Survey, Inc.	X	X		X	X	
Waterth, Inc.	X	X		X	X	
West Consultants		X			X	

Large-Sized Business Category (continued) Consultant Name (Prime with subcontractors* listed below) *Only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	Local SBE	SBE	Minority	Women	Disadvantaged	Disabled/Vet
Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.						
Beyaz & Patel		X	X			X
California Watershed engineering (CWE)		X	X			X
Consensus		X				
DDB Engineering, Inc.		X	X	X		
DR Consultants & Designers, Inc.	X	X				X
DRP Engineering	X		X			X
Integrated Engineering Management (IEM)	X			X		X
Katz & Associates		X		X		
Larry Walker Associates, Inc.		X				
Lee & Ro, Inc.			X			
Ninyo & Moore			X			
Pac Rim Engineering			X			X
Stillwater Sciences	X					X
Wagner Engineering & Survey, Inc.	X			X		X
Waterearth, Inc.		X		X		X
Water Resource Planning				X		
V&A Consulting Engineers		X	X			X
Tetra Tech, Inc.						
ArcheaeoPaleo Resource Management, Inc., CBE	X	X		X		X
DRP Engineering	X	X	X			X
FMF Pandion, CBE	X	X	X			X
GEOSCIENCE Support Services, Inc.		X				X
PMCS Group, Inc., CBE		X		X		X
Waterearth, Inc.		X		X		X

Large-Sized Business Category (continued) Consultant Name (Prime with subcontractors* listed below) *Only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	Local SBE	SBE	Minority	Women	Disadvantaged	Disabled/Vet
Woodard & Curran, Inc.						
Beyaz & Patel, Inc.		X	X		X	
CWE			X	X	X	
Dabri, Inc.			X	X	X	
Hernandez, Kroone & Associates, Inc.				X		
KMEA		X				X
Ninyo & Moore			X			
Pacific Engineers Group	X	X				
Royston, Hanamoto, Alley & Aby (RHAA)		X				
The Robert Group		X	X	X	X	
WSP USA, Inc.						
EW Consulting, Inc.			X	X	X	
MLA Green, Inc.		X	X	X	X	
CWE		X	X		X	
Lee & Ro, Inc.			X			