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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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

25 November 13, 2018

CELIA ZAVALA
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
TRANSPORTATION CORE SERVICE AREA
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
LAKE HUGHES ROAD, BOUQUET CANYON ROAD, AND SAN FRANCISQUITO CANYON ROAD
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
PROJECT ID NO. RDC0016318
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF CASTAIC/LAKE HUGHES, ELIZABETH LAKE,
GREEN VALLEY AND LEONA VALLEY
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Public Works is seeking Board approval to advertise and award a construction contract for the Lake Hughes Road, Bouquet Canyon Road, and San Francisquito Canyon Road Improvements project in the unincorporated communities of Castaic/Lake Hughes, Elizabeth Lake, Green Valley, and Leona Valley.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter and in the record of the project.
2. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for Lake Hughes Road, Bouquet Canyon Road, and San Francisquito Canyon Road Improvements project, at an estimated construction contract cost between \$850,000 and \$1,400,000.

BIDS: December 11, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement, and which are to be received before 11 a.m. on December 11, 2018, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.

4. Find pursuant to State Public Contract Code, Section 3400(b), that it is necessary to specify the following designated items by specific brand name in order to obtain a necessary item that is only available from one source:

- X-Tension in-line guardrail terminal system manufactured by Lindsay Corporation.

5. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to determine whether the bid of the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest apparent responsive bid is, in fact, responsive and, if not responsive, to determine which apparent responsible contractor submitted the lowest responsive bid.

6. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to award and execute a construction contract for Lake Hughes Road, Bouquet Canyon Road, and San Francisquito Canyon Road Improvements project with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range of \$850,000 to \$1,400,000.

7. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or his designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (1) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code, Section 4104.5; (2) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in State Public Contract Code, Sections 4100 et seq. and 5100 et seq., respectively; (3) approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works under Section 2.18.050 of the Los Angeles County Code relative to the construction of County buildings; (4) accept the project upon its final completion; and (5) release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code, Sections 7107 and 9203.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act and allow Public Works to install new guardrail systems and recessed pavement markers, construct asphalt concrete inverted road shoulders, and other appurtenant work in order to enhance the condition of Lake Hughes Road, Bouquet Canyon Road, and San Francisquito Canyon Road.

This project is part of the County's efforts to incorporate low-cost safety countermeasures on rural roadways to mitigate safety concerns. The project was initiated after collision analyses and road safety audits were conducted on Lake Hughes Road, Bouquet Canyon Road, and San Francisquito Canyon Road. The analyses and audits identified locations where safety countermeasures were feasible to include in the project.

It is anticipated the work will start in March 2019 and be completed in June 2019.

The X-Tension in-line guardrail terminal system manufactured by Lindsay Corporation has been selected because it is the only known and available product that meets the design intent.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The County Strategic Plan directs the provision of Strategy III.3, Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability, Objective III.3.2, Manage and Maximize County Assets. The recommended action supports ongoing efforts to manage and improve public infrastructure assets.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$850,000 to \$1,400,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$2,200,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, consultant services, environmental clearance, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

This project will be administered under the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program covered by Agreement No. 78542 with the State of California. Under this program, Federal-aid grant funds in the amount of \$1,269,690 will be used to fund a portion of the project cost. The remaining project cost will be provided through the Fifth Supervisorial District's Transportation Improvement Program Road Fund.

Funding for this project is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District Transportation Improvement Program in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This project will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

The State Public Contract Code, Section 3400 allows a product to be designated by specific brand name for several purposes, one of which is to obtain a necessary item that is only available from one source, if the awarding authority makes a finding and language is included in the Notice Inviting Bids. The Notice Inviting Bids includes language describing this finding.

The contract award will comply with applicable Federal and State requirements and Board policies and mandates. The contract documents will require the contractor to comply with these same requirements, policies, and mandates. The construction contract will be in a form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

As required by Board Policy No. 5.140, information such as defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor violations, and debarment actions will be considered before a contract is awarded.

This project contains Federal funding prohibiting the application of preferences included within the Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy. Accordingly, a Local and Targeted Worker Hire clause is not included for this project. Additionally, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations requires an award to the lowest bidder to be eligible for Federal funding, therefore, the County Local Small Business Enterprise preference will not be applied to this project.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project to install new guardrail systems and recessed pavement markers and to construct asphalt concrete inverted road shoulders and other appurtenant work is within a class of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 1(x), 14,17, and 22 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines Appendix G. In addition, based on the proposed project records, it will comply with all applicable regulations and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on both the County's "Doing Business with the County" and "Public Works' Business Opportunities" websites for open bids:

<http://www.lacounty.gov/business/doing-business-with-the-county>

<http://dpw.lacounty.gov/general/contracts/opportunities>

Also, the contract solicitation will be advertised through web-based and social media platforms, including Twitter.

In addition, in order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be coordinating with the Office of Small Business at the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs to maximize outreach.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by improving roadway safety for motorists.

CONCLUSION

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

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

11/13/2018

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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

MP:SRB:SM

c: Chief Executive Office (Chia-Ann Yen)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)