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July 19, 2011

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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

15 July 19, 2011

Sachi A. Hamai
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**AMENDMENT TO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER
TUJUNGA WASH – TUJUNGA WASH SPREADING GROUNDS ENHANCEMENT PROJECT
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to enter into an amendment to the existing Cooperative Agreement No. 47864 to provide landscaping design services and construction support for the City of Los Angeles Tujunga Wash Spreading Grounds Enhancement Project. The City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power will reimburse the Los Angeles County Flood Control District for these services.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

Delegate authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or her designee to enter into an amendment to Cooperative Agreement No. 47864 to provide landscaping design services and construction support for an additional \$184,000. The City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power will reimburse the Los Angeles County Flood Control District for all design services and construction support costs. The City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power will continue to be fully responsible for all on-going maintenance costs.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to amend the existing Cooperative Agreement No. 47864 to provide landscaping design services and construction support for the City of Los Angeles' Tujunga Wash Spreading Grounds Enhancement Project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3) by maintaining a collaborative partnership with a local agency in order to design an effective groundwater recharge project, and by identifying methods to increase the local groundwater supplies and reduce reliance on imported water thereby improving the quality of life for citizens of the County of Los Angeles.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated design services and construction support cost to complete this project is \$184,000. The Department of Water and Power (DWP) will reimburse the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) within 60 days after entering into the amended agreement for all project costs. Sufficient funds for this project are available in the Recommended Fiscal Year 2011-12 Flood Control District Budget to finance construction support costs until receipt of DWP reimbursement.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

DWP has requested the LACFCD to complete landscaping design plans and specifications and provide construction support for the Tujunga Wash Spreading Grounds Enhancement Project. LACFCD has an ongoing interest and commitment to partner with local agencies to maximize water conservation and groundwater recharge benefits. DWP is a municipal utility that possesses water rights in the San Fernando Groundwater Basin (SFGB) and is pursuing opportunities to augment groundwater supplies. The Tujunga Wash Spreading Grounds recharges the SFGB. DWP owns and, by agreement, LACFCD operates the spreading grounds facility. The facility is located entirely within the City of Los Angeles.

DWP will determine when to proceed with construction of the project and will be responsible for environmental documentation and permitting, funding, administration, project management, and maintenance.

The enclosed amended cooperative agreement, which has been approved as to form by County Counsel, will be used to reimburse the LACFCD for its services.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The approval of the amended cooperative agreement is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This action meets the criteria set forth in sections 15060(c)(2), 15061(b)(3), and 15306 of the CEQA guidelines.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The approval to enter into an amendment to existing Cooperative Agreement will ultimately enhance groundwater recharge in the San Fernando Groundwater Basin.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Water Resources Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

GF:CS:abc

Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office

FIRST AMENDMENT TO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT NO. 47864
BETWEEN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
AND THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER
REGARDING ENHANCEMENT DESIGNS FOR THE TUJUNGA WASH
SPREADING GROUNDS

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT to Cooperative Agreement No. 47864 is made and entered into by and between the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (hereinafter referred to as DISTRICT), and the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (hereinafter referred to as LADWP).

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT and LADWP entered into Cooperative Agreement No. 47864 (hereinafter referred to as AGREEMENT) on July 7, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the AGREEMENT provides for the DISTRICT to complete a design report, preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to provide construction support for the Tujunga Wash Spreading Grounds Enhancement Project (hereinafter referred to as PROJECT) to upgrade intake facilities and to deepen and reconfigure the recharge basins; and

WHEREAS, the LADWP has requested the DISTRICT to prepare a landscape designs (hereinafter referred to as LANDSCAPE DESIGNS), for the PROJECT, including schematic designs (based on a working concept layout plan prepared by the City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation), design development (60 percent construction drawings), construction document plans (90 percent and 100 percent construction drawings) and technical specifications for the LANDSCAPE DESIGNS; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total cost for the DISTRICT to prepare the LANDSCAPE DESIGNS is \$184,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the LADWP and the DISTRICT hereby agree that the AGREEMENT be amended as follows:

1. Subsections j, k, and l are hereby added to section (1) to read as follows:
 - j. To prepare LANDSCAPE DESIGNS including schematic designs (based on a working concept layout plan prepared by the City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation), design development (60 percent construction drawings), construction document plans (90 percent and 100 percent construction drawings) and technical specifications, in accordance with applicable State, Federal, and City standards. The LANDSCAPE DESIGNS shall contain the following elements: fencing locations, lighting concept, berms, lookout locations, picnic areas/site furnishings, street trees, irrigation concept/method,

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each party hereto has caused this FIRST AMENDMENT to Agreement No. 47864 to be executed by their respective officers, duly authorized, by the LADWP on _____, 2011, and by the DISTRICT on _____, 2011.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT,
a body corporate and politic

By _____
Chief Engineer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ANDREA SHERIDAN ORDIN
County Counsel

By  _____
Deputy

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Ronald O. Nichols
General Manager

By _____
Barbara E. Moschos
Secretary