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April 07, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

35 of April 7, 2015


PATRICK OGAWA
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR A PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
BIG ROCK CREEK ROAD AT
2,200 FEET SOUTH OF MILE MARKER 0.60
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF VALYERMO
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amount for a public works construction contract for Big Rock Creek Road at 2,200 Feet South of Mile Marker 0.60 in the unincorporated community of Valyermo.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work related to construction of a soldier-pile retaining wall, metal beam guardrailing, and asphalt concrete pavement on base material, with an increase in the contract amount of \$24,475.13, will have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes and increased contract amount for Project ID No. RDC0015743 – Big Rock Creek Road at 2,200 Feet South of Mile Marker 0.60, for standby time for United States Forestry Service, cold milling, alternative guardrail, and guardrail installation through hard rock, in the unincorporated community of Valyermo, performed by Environmental Construction, Inc.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain approval from the Board for the changes in this public works construction contract in support of the timely completion of the project while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The description of the changes, estimated cost, and the

necessary time extension are listed in the enclosure.

Enclosed for the Board's approval are changes in work in excess of the Director of Public Works' delegated limit, which are required to complete the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

Project ID No. RDC0015743, with an increase in the contract amount of \$24,475.13, is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Road Fund Budget.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract for the construction of this public works improvement was awarded by the Director on May 6, 2013, to an apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid in accordance with the State Public Contract Code, the Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director or her designee.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

These changes in work as described above and in the enclosure do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from a change to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The cost is based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The method for arriving at the cost of these changes is included in the enclosure.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by the Board will ensure the timely completion of work under the contract and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail Farber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

CHANGES IN WORK (APPROVE)
April 7, 2015

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015743 – Big Rock Creek Road at 2,200 Feet South of Mile Marker 0.60, (in the unincorporated community of Valyermo), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Environmental Construction, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of a soldier-pile retaining wall, metal beam guardrailing, asphalt concrete pavement on base material, and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) United States Forestry Service standby time	\$ 9,801.13
(2) Cold milling	3,500.00
(3) Alternative guardrail	2,374.00
(4) Guardrail installation through hard rock	<u>8,800.00</u>
Total	<u>\$24,475.13</u>

Description of Change:

- (1) In order to comply with the requirements of the United States Forestry Service permit, work was restricted to the hours of 6 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Fixed overhead costs were accrued during the shortened workday and accounted for on a time and materials basis.
- (2) In order to expedite the reopening of the roadway, the contractor will perform a 2-inch grind on the east portion of the road, which will allow the final asphalt concrete cap to be simultaneously placed on both sides.
- (3) The original project plans called for an end terminal for the guardrail adjacent to the retaining wall, however, this end treatment has been replaced in the Caltrans standard with a new end terminal, which must be used.
- (4) Large boulders have been encountered in the installation of the guardrail posts, requiring additional labor and specialized equipment not anticipated within the original project scope.

The cost for this work is based on Section 3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

This repair is necessary as a result of damage caused by the rainstorms of December 2010. We are seeking reimbursement for a portion of the project cost from the State disaster-assistance program, but at this time we are not guaranteed the costs are eligible for reimbursement. Funding for this project is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Road Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$ 969,012.50
Changes in work approved under delegated authority	232,569.00
Changes in work approved by the Board	924,891.00
Change in work to be approved by the Board	<u>24,475.13</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$2,150,947.63</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	122%

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