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September 24, 2024

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:

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
WATER RESOURCES CORE SERVICE AREA  
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD  
PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001374  
MARIE CANYON STORMWATER DISINFECTION SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT  
IN THE CITY OF MALIBU  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Public Works is seeking Board approval to adopt plans and specifications, advertise for construction bids, and award and execute a construction contract for the Marie Canyon Stormwater Disinfection System Upgrade Project in the City of Malibu.

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

1. Find that the proposed project, and related actions, are exempt from the provisions of 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 with Public Works Project Management Division III for the Marie Canyon Stormwater Disinfection System Upgrade Project at an estimated construction contract cost between \$900,000 and \$1,350,000.

3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement that are to be received before 11 a.m. on October 29, 2024, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.
4. Find pursuant to State Public Contract Code, Section 3400 (c) (2) that it is necessary to specify designated items by specific brand name in order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion.
5. Delegate authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District 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. Delegate authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or his designee to award and execute a construction contract for the Marie Canyon Stormwater Disinfection System Upgrade Project with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within or less than the estimated cost range of \$900,000 and \$1,350,000.
7. Delegate to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or his designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (a) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code, Section 4104.5; (b) 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; (c) approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works or his designee under Section 20998 of the California Public Contract Code; (d) accept the project upon its final completion; and (e) make required findings and release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code, Sections 7107 and 9203.

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

The purpose of the recommended actions is to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and allow Public Works to improve the Marie Canyon Stormwater Disinfection System by replacing existing multimedia and sand filters and an ultraviolet system, upgrading mechanical and electrical components of the sump pump, and installing a removable wall in the City of Malibu (see Enclosure A).

This project will bring the disinfection system to current standards by increasing efficiency to remove stormwater pollutants in dry weather runoff. The upgraded facility will improve the quality of the runoff that will drain into the ocean.

The work is anticipated to start in March 2025 and be completed in August 2025.

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

These recommendations support the County Strategic Plan: North Star 3, Realize Tomorrow's Government Today, Focus Area Goal F, Flexible and Efficient Infrastructure, Strategy ii, Modernize Infrastructure, by replacing and improving public infrastructure assets that support the quality of life of Los Angeles County residents.

### **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 \$900,000 and \$1,350,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$3,439,500. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, construction engineering, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, environmental compliance, and other County services.

Funding for this project is included in the Flood Control District Fund (B07 – Capital Assets-Infrastructure) Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget.

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

This proposed project will be advertised in accordance with Section 20991 of the State Public Contract Code.

State Public Contract Code Section 3400 (c) (2) allows a product to be designated by specific brand name for several purposes, one of which is in order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion, if the awarding authority makes a finding to the same effect and the language is included in the Notice Inviting Bids.

A list of specific brand names and qualified purposes in accordance with the State Public Contract Code is provided in Enclosure B.

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 the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

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

Documents related to award of this contract will be available at Los Angeles County Public Works, Project Management Division III, 900 South Fremont Avenue, 8th Floor, Alhambra, CA 91803.

In accordance with Board Policy 5.270, Countywide Local and Targeted Worker Hiring, the project will require that at least 30 percent of the California construction labor hours be performed by qualified Local Residents and at least 10 percent be performed by Targeted Workers facing employment barriers. The project will also include a jobs coordinator who will facilitate the implementation of the targeted hiring requirement of the policy.

Effective June 7, 2023, Countywide Community Workforce Agreement applies to projects with an estimated construction contract value of \$5,000,000 or greater. Provisions of the Countywide Community Workforce Agreement will not be applied to this contract as the estimated construction contract value is below the threshold.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA. The project, to replace existing media filters, piping, and appurtenances; replace existing ultraviolet system; replace mechanical and electrical components of the sump pump; and installing a removable wall, is within a class of projects that has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301 (a) and (b); 15302 (c); 15304 (f); and 15311 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 1 (d), (e), (l), and (m); Class 2 (a), (c), (e); Class 4 (k); and Class 11 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. In addition, based on the proposed project records, the project 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**

In accordance with the Board's consolidated Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy, the contract documents will require that at least 30 percent of the total California craft worker hours for construction of the project be performed by Local Residents and at least 10 percent be performed by Targeted Workers facing employment barriers.

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 Los Angeles County" and "Do Business with Public Works" websites for open bids:

<https://lacounty.gov/business/doing-business-with-la-county/>

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

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

In addition, in order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be offering preferences to Local Small Business Enterprises, Social Enterprises, and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises in compliance with Los Angeles County Code, Chapters 2.204, 2.205, and 2.211.

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

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by bringing the disinfection system up to standard, resulting in increased efficiency in removing pollutants from dry season runoff.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return an adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Project Management Division III.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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Enclosures

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

MARIE CANYON STORMWATER DISINFECTION SYSTEM UPGRADE  
PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001374



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**List of specific brand names in accordance with State Public Contract Code Section 3400:**

	<b><u>Item/Category</u></b>	<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Model</u></b>	<b><u>Public Contract Code 3400 Justification*</u></b>	<b><u>Detailed Justification</u></b>
1.	Water Level Sensor	Ametek	Model 575	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
2.	Data Logger	Endress+Hauser	RSG40-211B1B5C1A1	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
3.	Gas Controller and Sensor	Drager	Polytron IR 7000	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
4.	Flow Meter and Controller	Endress+Hauser	5W4C80-AAALH2DHA	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
5.	Turbidity Sensor and Controller	Hach	SC200	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
6.	Ultraviolet Water Purifier	Aquaazul	Valiant-IVM-35-WAM	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.



**ENCLOSURE B**  
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	<u>Item/Category</u>	<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Public Contract Code 3400 Justification*</u>	<u>Detailed Justification</u>
7.	Water Media Filtration Systems – Multimedia Filters	Yardney Water Filtration Systems	MM 3060-3A	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
8.	Water Media Filtration Systems – Sand Media Filters	Yardney Water Filtration Systems	GAS-3072-3AS	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
9.	Annunciator Programmable Logic Controller Input/Output Card	Automation Direct	F2-8AD4DA-1	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
10.	Annunciator Touch Panel	Automation Direct	EA9 Series	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
11.	Annunciator Connector Modules	Automation Direct	ZL-RTB20	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.
12.	Annunciator Power Supply	Automation Direct	PSM24-360S	(2)	In order to match other products in use on County facilities either completed or in the course of completion.

\*(1) In order that a field test or experiment may be made to determine the product's suitability for future use. (2) In order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion. (3) In order to obtain a necessary item that is only available from one source. (4) (a) In order to respond to an emergency declared by a local agency, but only if the declaration is approved by a four-fifths vote of the governing board of the local agency issuing the Invitation for Bid or Request for Proposals. (b) In order to respond to an emergency declared by the State, a State agency, or political subdivision of the State, but only if the facts setting forth the reasons for the finding of the emergency are contained in the public records of the authority issuing the Invitation for Bid or Request for Proposals.