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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

August 12, 2025

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:

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

WATER RESOURCES CORE SERVICE AREA
AWARD OF CONSULTANT SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR
ENGINEERING, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT
SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE
BOUQUET CANYON CREEK RECOVERY PROJECT
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3-VOTES)

SUBJECT

Public Works is seeking Board approval to award a consultant service agreement to provide engineering, environmental, and project management support services for the proposed Bouquet Canyon Creek Recovery Project on behalf of the County of Los Angeles.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find that the proposed activity is not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, or in the alternative, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter and in the record of the proposed activity.
- 2. Award and delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute a consultant service agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., and to suspend/terminate the agreement for convenience, if necessary and appropriate to do so at the discretion of the Director of Public Works or his designee. The firm will provide specialized engineering, environmental, and project management support services for the proposed Bouquet Canyon Creek Recovery Project for a not-to-exceed contract amount of \$12,067,000. The term of the consultant services agreement will be for the duration of the project until final acceptance by the County.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to enable Public Works to proceed with the necessary engineering, environmental, and project management support services required to recover and enhance the functionality of Bouquet Canyon Creek. The proposed Bouquet Canyon Creek Recovery Project would aim to improve water conveyance, mitigate flood risks, provide road improvements, and restore natural habitats that have been impacted by sedimentation and other environmental challenges.

Bouquet Canyon Creek has experienced significant hydrological and ecological disturbances that have adversely affected local water resources, endangered species habitats, and public safety. By engaging a consultant with expertise in these fields, the County can ensure that the proposed project would be executed efficiently, in compliance with environmental regulations, and in alignment with best practices for sustainable watershed management.

Approval of this consultant service agreement would facilitate the development of technical studies, regulatory permitting, design plans, road improvements, and operational maintenance and needs necessary to achieve the project's objectives. These services would help streamline coordination among various stakeholders, including local agencies, environmental groups, and the affected community.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

These recommendations support the County Strategic Plan: North Star 2, Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities, Focus Area Goal C, Public Safety, Strategy ii, Operational Enhancement, and Focus Area Goal D, Sustainability, Strategy iii, Natural Resources, and Strategy iv, Environmental Justice, and Focus Area Goal F, Community Connections, Strategy i, Engagement, and Strategy ii, Community Participation; and North Star 3, Realize Tomorrow's Government Today, Focus Area Goal A, Communication and Public Access, Strategy ii, Stakeholder Engagement, by hiring consultants who have the specialized expertise to provide these services in a timely and responsive manner and will support Public Works in meeting these goals.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total cost of the consultant services will be for a not-to-exceed contract amount of \$12,067,000.

Total expenditure for these services will not exceed the amount approved by the Board. Funding for the first year of service, estimated at \$6,000,000, is available in the Flood Control District Fund (B07 – Services and Supplies) Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget. Funding for the project's future costs will be requested through the annual budget process. No work will be assigned to the consultant without appropriate funding authorization.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

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

The term of the consultant services agreement will be for the duration of the project until final acceptance by the County.

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Enclosure A reflects the consultant's minority participation and the Community Business Enterprises participation data.

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 under California Public Resources Code, Section 21065 and Section 15378(b) of the CEQA Guidelines. The proposed action, to award a consultant service agreement for engineering, environmental, and project management support services for the potential future Bouquet Canyon Creek Recovery Project, is an administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect changes to the environment. In the alternative, the proposed activity is statutorily exempt under Section 15262 of the CEQA Guidelines as a feasibility or planning study for possible future actions, which the County has not approved, adopted, or funded. Public Works will return to the Board for consideration of appropriate environmental documentation pursuant to CEQA along with a recommendation for project approval prior to commencement of activities under the agreements, which would be considered a project under CEQA.

Upon the Board's approval of the recommended actions, Public Works will file a Notice of Exemption with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation in accordance with Section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code and will post the Notice to its website pursuant to Section 21092.2.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On September 19, 2024, Public Works released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for specialized engineering, environmental, and project management support services for the proposed Bouquet Canyon Creek Recovery Project. The RFP was advertised on the County's "Doing Business with Los Angeles County" website (Enclosure B) and Public Works' "Do Business with Public Works" website, and in the Los Angeles Daily Journal, Los Angeles Sentinel, La Opinión, San Gabriel Valley Tribune, Pasadena Star News, Press Telegram, Santa Monica Daily Press, Daily Breeze, The Signal, and World Journal. Public Works also informed 1,555 Local Small Business Enterprises, 167 Social Enterprises, 161 Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises, 1,034 Community Business Enterprises, and 1,385 Community-Based Organizations. Public Works requested assistance from the Department of Economic Opportunity to conduct a focused outreach based on the commodity code of the services being solicited. The Department of Economic Opportunity reached out to 372 vendors about this business opportunity. Twenty-two firms registered on Public Works' website for this RFP.

On November 19, 2024, a total of six proposals were received. An evaluation committee, consisting of Public Works staff, evaluated the proposals based on the criteria described in the RFP, including technical expertise, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding of the work requirements. Based on the evaluation of the proposals, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., was selected without regard to race, creed, color, or gender.

The selected firm represents the best qualified firm to provide the required services. Public Works has determined that the firm's proposed rates for performing the services are reasonable. The 3-year contracting history for the selected firm is on file with Public Works.

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

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended consultant service agreement. Approval of this consultant service agreement will provide the necessary technical expertise and project management support that is not available within the County. This specialized contract will ensure that critical environmental and engineering work is completed efficiently and effectively, supporting the successful implementation of the proposed Bouquet Canyon Creek Recovery Project. The project would enhance water resource management and ecological restoration efforts without disrupting current County services or other ongoing projects.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to Public Works, Stormwater Engineering Division.

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Respectfully submitted,

MARK PESTRELLA, PE

Director

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Enclosures

Chief Executive Office (Christine Frias) County Counsel

Executive Office, Board of Supervisors

PROPOSERS' UTILIZATION PARTICIPATION AND COMMUNITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR ENGINEERING, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE BOUQUET CANYON CREEK RECOVERY PROJECT

SELECTED FIRM

Pr	roposer Name (Prime with subconsultants* listed below) *only subconsultants with Utilization Participation are listed.	Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE)	Small Business Enterprise (SBE)	Minority	Women-Owned	Disadvantaged Business	Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise	Social Enterprise	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning- Owned Business Enterprise
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Ca	abrinha, Hearn & Associates	Х	Х			Х			
	eospatial Professional Solutions, Inc. PSI)	х	х	х	х	х			
	nyo & Moore Geotechnical and vironmental Sciences Consultants			х					
PA	XX Environmental, Inc.		Х				х		

NON-SELECTED FIRMS

	Proposer Name (Prime with subcontractors* listed below) *only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE)	Small Business Enterprise (SBE)	Minority	Women-Owned	Disadvantaged Business	Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise	Social Enterprise	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning-
1 1	Burns & McDonnell Western Enterprises, Inc.								
	Calvada Surveying		х	Х			х		
	Indigo Civil			Х	Х	х			
	MBI Media, Inc.		х		х	х			
	River Focus		Х	Х		х			
	TGR Geotechnical, Inc.			Х		х			
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	A/E Tech		х						
	Blackhawk Environmental, Inc.				_		х	_	
	JCE Structural Engineering Group, Inc.	х	Х	Х		х			

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Moran Consulting Corporation	Х	х	х		х		
Ninyo & Moore Geotechnical and Environmental Sciences Consultants			х				
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VCA Engineers, Inc.	х	х	Х		Х		
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Feffer Geological Consulting, Inc.		х					
River Focus		х	Х		х		
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5 WSP USA Inc.							
2R Drilling		х					
Applied Ecology Solutions		х					
Belshire Environmental Services, Inc.		х					
GEOVision, Inc.		х					
Gregg Drilling			Х		х		
Guida Surveying, Inc.		х					
Wagner Engineering & Survey, Inc.		Х		х	Х		

^{*}Information provided by proposers in response to the Request for Proposal. On final analysis and consideration of award, vendors were selected without regard to race, creed, gender, or color.

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	Black/African American	324			
	Hispanic/Latino	975			
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Solicitation Detail

Number:	BRC0000542		
Title:	Engineering, Environmental, Bouquet Canyon Creek Reco	•	nent Support Services for the
Department:	Public Works		
Bid Type:	Commodity	Bid Amount:	\$12,000,000.00
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