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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  
DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD  
PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001409  
EL DORADO PUMP STATION REHABILITATION  
IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4)  
(3-VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Public Works is seeking Board approval to carry out the accelerated delivery of the El Dorado Pump Station Rehabilitation project, including delegated authority to adopt plans and specifications, advertise for bids, and award and execute a construction contract in the City of Long Beach.

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

1. Find that the proposed project, and related actions, are 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 delegate authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or his designee to adopt the plans and specifications and advertise for bids at an estimated construction contract cost between \$6,250,000 and \$9,500,000 for the El Dorado Pump Station Rehabilitation project.
3. Delegate authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or his designee to instruct the Executive Officer of the Board to advertise for bids in accordance with the

Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement with the Notice Inviting Bids when ready to advertise this project.

4. Find pursuant to California 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 El Dorado Pump Station Rehabilitation project with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within or less than the estimated cost range of \$6,250,000 and \$9,500,000.
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 California Public Contract Code, Section 4104.5; (b) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in California 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 Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or his designee under California Public Contract Code, Section 20998; (d) accept the project upon its final completion; and (e) make required findings and release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of California Public Contract Code, Sections 7107 and 9203.

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

The purpose of the recommended actions is to find that the project, and related actions, are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and allow Public Works to replace and rehabilitate major mechanical, electrical, and structural equipment at the El Dorado Pump Station in the City of Long Beach (see Enclosure A).

The proposed replacement of the aged equipment will ensure the pump station can continue to provide reliable flood protection to residents of the City of Long Beach.

It is anticipated that construction work will start in May 2027 and be completed in March 2028.

### **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 County residents.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this proposed project is in the range of \$6,250,000 and \$9,500,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$11,000,000. 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 available in the Flood Control District Fund (B07–Capital Assets-Infrastructure) Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget.

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

California Public Contract Code, Section 20995, allows the Board to delegate approval of plans and specifications to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, on a project-by-project basis. Once plans are approved, the Chief Engineer will instruct the Executive Officer of the Board to advertise the project for bids in accordance with Section 20991 of the California Public Contract Code. It is anticipated that the project will advertise for bids within the next month.

California 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 language is included in the Notice Inviting Bids. The Notice Inviting Bids includes language describing this finding.

A list of specific brand names and qualified purposes in accordance with the California 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 (CWA) applies to projects with an estimated construction contract value of \$5,000,000 or greater. Therefore, CWA will apply to this project. The contractor and all subcontractors must comply with all terms and conditions of the Countywide CWA which, among other things, increases work opportunities for those seeking to start a new career in the construction industry and promotes the hiring of underrepresented individuals on the project.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA. The project, to rehabilitate a stormwater pump station with no expansion in use, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301 (a), (b), and (d); 15302 (c); and 15303 (d) of the CEQA Guidelines; and Classes 1 (d), (e), (l), and (n); 2 (c) and (e); and 3 (a) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, which applies to minor alteration of existing public facilities, replacement of facilities with the same purpose and capacity, installation of new equipment and accessory structures. 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.

Upon the Board's approval of the recommended actions, Public Works will file a Notice of Exemption for each project with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and with 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 the County's website in accordance with Section 21092.2.

## **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 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>

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

In order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be offering preference to Local Small Business Enterprises in compliance with Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204.

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

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by extending the service life of the facility and ensuring continued flood protection operations at the El Dorado Pump Station in the City of Long Beach.

**CONCLUSION**

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

Respectfully submitted,



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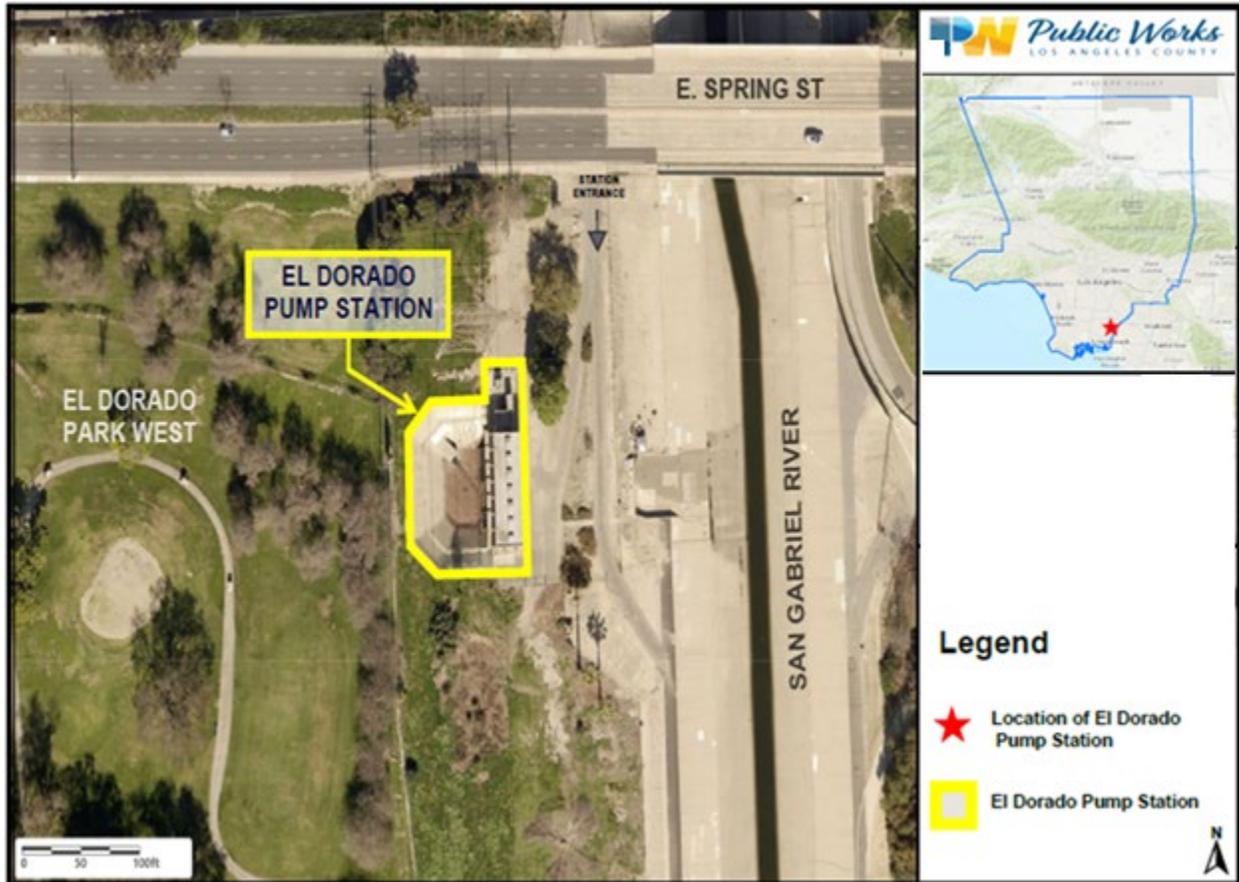
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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Christine Frias)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors  
Internal Services (Countywide Contract  
Compliance)

EL DORADO PUMP STATION REHABILITATION  
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**PROJECT NAME:** EI Dorado Pump Station Rehabilitation

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

	<b>Item/Category</b>	<b>Manufacturer</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Public Contract Code 3400 Justification*</b>	<b>Detailed Justification</b>
1.	Engine Controller	Murcal	800	(2)	In order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion.
2.	Central Controller	Murcal	800	(2)	In order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion.
3.	Annunciator Panel	Automation Direct	DL205	(2)	In order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion.
4.	Telemetry Panel	Motorola	ACE3600	(2)	In order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement 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; and (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.