

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
4040 PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD, LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA 90712
11:30 A.M., MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2012**

AGENDA

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- 1. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 3. REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR WATER SUPPLY ENGINEERING, ENVIRONMENTAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES**
Staff Recommendation: Authorize the General Manager to execute the reimbursement agreement.
- 4. CONSULTANT SELECTION FOR EIR/EIS DOCUMENT PREPARATION FOR THE GROUNDWATER RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (GRIP)**
Staff Recommendation: Approve a professional services contract with AECOM, subject to approval of form by District Counsel, for the preparation of environmental documents for the GRIP in the amount of \$609,170, plus contingencies, for a not to exceed total of \$670,000.
- 5. DIRECTORS REPORTS, INQUIRIES, AND FOLLOW-UP OF DIRECTIONS TO STAFF**
- 6. ADJOURNMENT**

Posted by Sheryll Moffat, Administrative Specialist on October 11, 2012.

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MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 3.

Prepared by: Jason Weeks

Reviewed by: Anthony La

Approved by: Robb Whitaker

DATE: OCTOBER 15, 2012

TO: WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER

**SUBJECT: REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR WATER SUPPLY ENGINEERING,
ENVIRONMENTAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES**

SUMMARY

District staff and basin stakeholders have been evaluating opportunities to secure means to provide reliable, cost effective sources of replenishment water for the groundwater basins. One such opportunity involves the delivery of water to the spreading grounds of the Montebello Forebay via channels and canals that can be ultimately diverted into the existing spreading facilities.

In order to further assess this opportunity, a reimbursement agreement with Three Valleys MWD is required to evaluate the water supply engineering, environmental and associated technical issues.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost of reimbursement services is estimated not to exceed \$250,000.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the General Manager to execute the reimbursement agreement.



MEMORANDUM

ITEM NO. 4.

<i>Prepared by:</i>	Jim McDavid
<i>Reviewed by:</i>	Anthony La
<i>Approved by:</i>	Robb Whitaker

DATE: OCTOBER 15, 2012

TO: WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER

**SUBJECT: CONSULTANT SELECTION FOR EIR/EIS DOCUMENT PREPARATION FOR
THE GROUNDWATER RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (GRIP)**

SUMMARY

Over the past several months, WRD has been working on the development of a GRIP Alternatives Analysis Update Report. A draft report associated with this effort is currently being completed, and alternative scenarios have been developed to include sufficient information for the purpose of environmental impact analysis.

This summer, with approval from the Board of Directors, the District issued Request for Proposals (RFP) for professional services relating to preparation of environmental documents for GRIP. The RFP was distributed to consultants on the District's pre-qualified list, as well as posted on the District web site. On August 1, 2012, the District hosted a mandatory pre-proposal meeting, with 29 individuals in attendance representing 24 consulting firms. On August 31, 2012, the District received proposals from 4 firms/teams, which were later evaluated by a 3-member review panel consisting of District staff and one member from the Orange County Water District. On September 10, 2012, the panel interviewed the 4 teams, and the results (ranking of qualifications) are summarized below.

Ranking

1. AECOM (Subs: Terry Hayes & Associates, Paleo Solutions)
2. Environmental Science Associates (ESA), (Subs: RMC, Nellor Envir, Todd Engrs)
3. Dudek (Subs: Garland and Assoc, Phoenix Civil Engr)
4. UltraSystems (Subs: DR Consultants & Engrs)

Pursuant to Government Code Section 4526, the District subsequently reviewed the proposed fees of the firms and learned that AECOM's proposed fee is \$794,400, which is approximately \$167,000 higher than the fee (\$627,705) submitted by the 2nd ranked firm (ESA). Subsequent negotiations with AECOM resulted in the District successfully reducing AECOM's proposed fee down to \$609,170 (a decrease of \$185,230). AECOM also committed the most labor hours to the project.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated fee will be \$609,170 plus contingencies in the amount of \$60,830, totaling \$670,000. Sufficient funds are included in the District's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the preparation of the environmental documents.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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