

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 3/11/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Carolyn Berg, Water Resources Engineer (805) 781-5536	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update agreement with GEI Consultants, Inc. to expand the scope of services for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$707,846 and authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$39,000 from Flood Control District unanticipated revenue to Flood Control General for the amendment. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board, acting as the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update agreement with GEI Consultants, Inc. to expand the scope of services; and</li> <li>2. Authorize a budget adjustment, by a 4/5 vote, in the amount of \$39,000 from Flood Control District unanticipated revenue.</li> </ol>			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Flood Control General	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$146,000.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ___) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ___)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) 19001379		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: 1314101 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: 12/18/12; Item #27	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts -			

Reference: 14MAR11-C-2

## County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works

Carolyn Berg, Water Resources Engineer

Courtney Howard, Senior Water Resources Engineer

VIA: Dean Benedix, Utilities Division Manager

DATE: 3/11/2014

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

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### **DISCUSSION**

#### *Integrated Regional Water Management Background*

Senate Bill 1672 established the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Act in 2002, intended to promote collaborative, integrated management of water resources. California voters passed a series of propositions, thereby establishing and funding efforts under the State's IRWM Program. These propositions authorized Legislature to appropriate grant funds for IRWM plans and projects, and to establish eligibility requirements. The IRWM Program is administered by the State's Department of Water Resources (DWR).

The District is the Lead Agency responsible for development and implementation of San Luis Obispo County's IRWM Plan (Plan). The Plan was initially developed and adopted by multiple agencies in the county in 2005 and updated in 2007. DWR has approved \$10.4 million in implementation grants and \$1 million in planning grants for the following:

Project	Project Sponsors	Allocation
<b>PROP 84 ROUND 1 IRWM IMPLEMENTATION GRANT (\$10.4M)</b>		
Grant Administration	Flood Control District	\$55,556
Los Osos Community Wastewater Project	County	\$5,945,444
Flood Control Zone 1/1A – Modified 3c Project	Flood Control District	\$2,200,000
Nipomo Supplemental Water Project	Nipomo CSD	\$2,200,000
<b>PROP 84 ROUND 2 IRWM PLANNING GRANT (\$1M)</b>		
IRWM Plan Update	Flood Control District	\$185,000
Salt and Nutrient Management Planning Priorities	Flood Control District	\$15,000
Paso Robles Groundwater Model Update	Flood Control District	\$50,000
Paso Robles Basin SNMP	City of Paso Robles	\$100,000
Santa Maria Basin Characterization	Flood Control District	\$200,000
Regional Recycled Water Planning	Flood Control District	\$200,000
Watershed Management Planning	Resource Conservation Districts	\$250,000

To comply with DWR eligibility requirements, the 2007 IRWM Plan must be updated. On December 18, 2012, the Board approved a contract with GEI Consultants, Inc., in the amount of \$498,970, to update the IRWM Plan plus an optional work task in the amount of \$62,876 to prepare a Proposition 84 Round 2 implementation grant application for a total contract value of \$561,846. At this time, a contract amendment is needed due to new DWR eligibility requirements (new IRWM Plan Standards) that must be incorporated into the updated Plan. In addition, the Prop 84 Round 2 implementation grant effort was \$101,276, with the additional costs funded from unanticipated revenues received from other local agencies who participated in the application.

#### *IRWM Plan Update Agreement Amendment*

The IRWM Plan update project has proceeded to a point where the administrative draft has been completed. Additional effort under the Amendment No. 1 (Attachment 2) includes:

- Incorporating new information on North County issues into the region description;
- Significant revisions to the project review process established in the original IRWM Plan (as a result of learning from the Round 2 grant application process);
- Addressing recent Gobernatorial and State Water Board policy documents and associated efforts for stakeholder review and IRWM Plan compilation.

Attachment 2 of Amendment No. 1 also reflects staff's recommendation to include a new task in the scope of work (Task 24) for the efforts associated with complying with a new Plan Review Process established by DWR in January 2014. This task includes producing an enhanced executive summary that is consistent with DWR's Plan Standards Review Form and assisting in the IRWM Plan's submittal to DWR for review after its adoption by the Board. This effort requires additional review with a focus group of stakeholders, time and project management efforts.

## **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

The District is the lead agency for San Luis Region's IRWM efforts, which includes 24 local agencies who have executed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to participate in the Regional Water Management Group (RWMG). All SLOCo Region water resources stakeholders are invited to participate in IRWM work efforts via RWMG and WRAC meetings. DWR and the Regional Water Quality Control Board are notified of all RWMG and WRAC meetings, and, consequently, IRWM efforts. The State agency responsible for reviewing the Region's IRWM Plan and grant applications is DWR.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved Amendment No. 1 as to legal form and effect.

## **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The Plan Update is funded in the FY 2013-14 Flood Control and Water Conservation District Budget Fund (1300000000). Approval of Amendment No. 1 would increase the agreement for professional engineering services to update the Plan on a time and materials basis from a not to exceed amount of \$561,846 to \$707,846. The \$146,000 increase for Amendment #1 will be funded from anticipated budget savings and unanticipated revenue. The current FY 2013-14 Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Fund 1300000000, will fund \$107,000 from savings. Savings are being recognized due to Staff spending a large amount of time and efforts on the Paso Robles groundwater issues that are funded in another budget unit, Fund 19, Fund 1304000000. The balance of \$39,000 will come from unanticipated revenues received from participating agencies reimbursements of the IRWM application costs.

## **RESULTS**

Approval of the recommended action will provide for the professional engineering services needed to update the IRWM Plan to State standards, maintain eligibility for awarded and future grants, and initiate steps for applying for a grant, contributing to the County's goals of promoting a healthy, livable, prosperous and well-governed community.

File: Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Prop 84 Planning

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services