

**MEMORANDUM
COUNTY OF PLACER
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
PROCUREMENT SERVICES DIVISION**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: Brett Wood, Purchasing Manager
DATE: February 14, 2012
SUBJECT: Approve the Award of Competitive Request for Qualifications No. 10127 for Geotechnical Engineering Design and Material Testing Services for Public Works Projects and Adopt Two Lists of Qualified Firms

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve the award of competitive Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 10127 for geotechnical engineering design and material testing services for public works projects and adopt two lists of qualified firms, effective for a three-year period.

BACKGROUND

On behalf of the Department of Public Works (DPW), the Procurement Services Division requested sealed Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from sixty-nine firms and posted RFQ 10127 on the County's website to establish two new lists of qualified firms to provide geotechnical engineering design services and/or preparation of project specifications and plans for eventual construction for small to medium sized projects and/or material testing on an as-needed basis. One list will be for the areas of Placer County west of the Donner Summit and the other list will be for the areas east of the Donner Summit. Formal responses were received from twenty-one firms.

Separate evaluation panels rated the responses in accordance with the evaluation criteria contained in the RFQ. The final lists are the result of the panels' consensus after discussion, and are based on a natural break occurring between the overall scores of the firms. The lists shown are based strictly on the requirements and criteria of RFQ 10127 and do not in any way reflect the County's judgment of the responding firms' capabilities to perform work outside of this specific RFQ.

The firms selected for the lists are as follows:

West of the Donner Summit:

Blackburn – Auburn, CA
Fugro – Roseville, CA
GeoCon Consultants – Rancho Cordova, CA
Kleinfelder – Sacramento, CA
Sage – Granite Bay, CA
Taber Consultants – West Sacramento, CA

East of the Donner Summit:

Black Eagle – Reno, NV
CME – Reno, NV
Construction Testing Services – Sacramento, CA

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Holdrege & Kull – Nevada City, CA
Kleinfelder – Sacramento, CA
Sage – Granite Bay, CA
Wood Rogers – Reno, NV

Upon your Board's approval, the firms will be placed on a qualified list effective for approximately three years from February 14, 2012 through February 28, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no immediate fiscal impact resulting from this action. Individual contracts will be negotiated with one or more firms as needed, and the resulting expenditures will be funded from existing budgets or project funds, as appropriate. Contracts of \$50,000.00 or less may be executed by the Purchasing Manager. Contracts greater than \$50,000.00 will require your Board's approval.

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