

# MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
County of Placer

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: January 8, 2008

FROM: KEN GREHM / ROBERT COSTA <sup>KS</sup> <sub>RC</sub>

SUBJECT: TRUCKEE RIVER WATERSHED WATER QUALITY MONITORING PLAN  
BUDGET REVISION AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

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## ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION

1. Approve a Budget Revision to increase the appropriation for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System FY2007/2008 budget by \$95,183.15.
2. Approve a Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works to negotiate and sign a contract with 2NDNATURE, LLC., up to \$125,000 for preparation of the Truckee River Watershed Water Quality Monitoring Plan, and authorizing contract amendments not to exceed \$15,000.

## BACKGROUND

In July 2006, the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board (Lahontan) designated that portion of Placer County situated within the Truckee River Watershed as a regulated Small Municipal Storm Sewer System, subject to coverage under a general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. In March 2007, Lahontan directed that Placer County develop and implement a comprehensive water quality monitoring plan and implementation schedule, under the authority of Section 13267 of the California Water Code. The monitoring plan is due to Lahontan by July 1, 2008.

The Lahontan monitoring directive also encompasses the water quality program envisioned by the County's Martis Valley Community Plan, Natural Resources implementation element number 18, which reads:

*"The County shall work with the Lahontan Water Quality Control Board, the Army Corps Of Engineers, Truckee Tahoe Sanitation Agency, and private landowners to initiate a comprehensive water quality monitoring program to address the cumulative impacts on water quality in Martis Lake and the creeks which drain into it. The program shall strive to coordinate existing water quality monitoring efforts underway presently and modify those as necessary to create a comprehensive program."*

Several development projects approved since adoption of the Community Plan have conditions of approval requiring their participation in the water quality monitoring program, including payment of a one-time contribution toward preparation of the plan, and participation in a County Service Area (CSA) to fund ongoing implementation. To date, Public Works has received \$32,583.15 in monitoring plan development contributions from these projects; these funds are currently held in department budget reserves. Approval of the requested budget revision will authorize use of these reserve funds for this consultant contract.

Seven consultants submitted proposals in response to the Request for Proposals. Upon conclusion of the proposals review and interview process, the highest ranked firm was 2NDNATURE, LLC. The Department of Public Works requests Board of Supervisors approval to

sign a Professional Services Agreement with this firm, and for approval to execute contract amendments, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000. The Procurement Division of Administrative Services supports award of a contract to 2NDNATURE, LLC.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL**

The proposed monitoring plan is categorically exempt (Class 5) per Section 15306, "Information Collection", of the California Environmental Quality Act.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The total cost of the professional services agreement, including the authorized amount for future amendments is \$140,000. Funding sources include contributions from developers in the Martis Valley area, budgeted department funds, Martis Valley Water Quality Monitoring CSA funds, and County general fund. With approval of the requested budget amendment, increasing the NPDES Division budget for FY 2007/2008 by \$95,183.15, from \$883,786 to \$978,969.15, there will be adequate funding for this contract. The budgetary issues associated with implementation of the monitoring plan will be addressed once the plan is completed and the costs are known.

Attachments: Resolution  
Budget Revision

**Before the Board of Supervisors  
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO NEGOTIATE, SIGN, AND AMEND A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE TRUCKEE RIVER WATERSHED WATER QUALITY MONITORING PLAN

Resol. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Ord. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

The following RESOLUTION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held \_\_\_\_\_, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Attest:  
Clerk of said Board

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Chairman, Board of Supervisors

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, that this Board authorizes the Director of Public Works to sign a contract between 2NDNATURE, LLC. and the County of Placer for the Truckee River Watershed Water Quality Monitoring Plan in an amount up to \$125,000, and authorizes the Director of Public Works to approve and sign contract amendments up to \$15,000.

