

**MEMORANDUM  
DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY SERVICES  
COUNTY OF PLACER**

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **FEBRUARY 26, 2008**

From: ~~JD~~ **JAMES DURFEE / WILL DICKINSON** *WDD*

Subject: **AGREEMENT WITH BENNETT ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC. TO  
SERVE AS PLACER NEVADA WASTEWATER AUTHORITY  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**ACTION REQUESTED/RECOMMENDATION:** Approve an Agreement with Bennett Engineering Services, Inc. (BES) (Formerly M.H.M. – Sacramento) in an amount not to exceed \$92,720, to serve as Placer Nevada Wastewater Authority (PNWA) Executive Director; and authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement.

**BACKGROUND:** The Placer Nevada Wastewater Authority (PNWA) is a Joint Powers Authority that includes Placer County, Newcastle Sanitary District, South Placer Municipal Utility District, City of Lincoln, and the City of Auburn. The PNWA's purpose is to develop and implement regional wastewater solutions in western Placer and Nevada Counties. Placer County provides staffing to the PNWA and administers the regional grant funds.

BES has provided the PNWA with engineering services related to regional wastewater solutions for the past eight years. Because of this experience, the PNWA Board of Directors, at their January 2008 meeting, took action to appoint Orin Bennett as their Executive Director and requested the County to execute an Agreement with BES to provide their services. County staff is recommending that your Board approve this as a sole source Agreement.

Staff negotiated the proposed Agreement with BES to serve as PNWA Executive Director. Items include:

- Organize and participate in the PNWA Board and Project Development Team Meetings.
- Prepare, update, and distribute eight monthly detailed project schedules for Auburn, Newcastle, and SMD-1 sewers.
- Explain and promote the regionalization project to various elected officials and agencies for support and funding purposes.
- Identify and document local share funding for the Regionalization Project.
- Prepare, draft, and assist in the completion of various MOUs and Agreements between local agencies.

A copy of the Agreement is available for review at the Clerk of the Board's office. As a separate action at this Board meeting, staff is requesting your Board's approval of an Agreement with BES to provide engineering services for the Regional Wastewater Project.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE:** Approval of an Agreement for professional services is not a project as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act. Any work performed pursuant to these studies will be subject to further environmental review.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The cost of providing services included in the Agreement is an amount not to exceed \$92,720. Adequate funding for this work exists in the FY 07/08 Regional Sewer Budget.

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AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT THE CLERK OF THE BOARD'S OFFICE: AGREEMENT WITH BENNETT ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC. PNWA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CC: COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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