

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

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **FEBRUARY 9, 2010**

From: **JAMES DURFEE / WILL DICKINSON** *WD*

Subject: **AGREEMENT FOR WATER QUALITY MONITORING SERVICES AT THE CLOSED LANDFILL SITES**

ACTION REQUESTED/RECOMMENDATION: Approve an Agreement with SCS Engineers for water quality monitoring services at the Meadow Vista, Loomis, Foresthill and Eastern Regional Landfills for an amount not to exceed \$165,453 upon review and approval by County Counsel and Risk Management, and authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: Waste Discharge Requirements issued by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board establish requirements for ongoing water quality monitoring at the closed County landfill sites (Meadow Vista, Loomis, Foresthill and Eastern Regional). In December of 2009, the County requested proposals for water quality services at the closed sites from the list of pre-qualified consultants. Based upon review of these proposals and on SCS Engineers' past performance and familiarity with the sites, staff believes that SCS is the best qualified firm to provide water quality monitoring services at the closed landfill facilities.

Staff negotiated an Agreement with SCS Engineers to provide water quality monitoring services for calendar year 2010. The Agreement provides for semi-annual sampling, analysis and reporting of surface water, groundwater, vadose zone, leak detection and leachate monitoring networks at the closed landfills. There were no increases to SCS Engineers' rates from 2009. The overall cost for this year's work is approximately 1.2% higher than last year due to 5-year constituent of concern sampling at both Foresthill and Eastern Regional that was not included in last year's Agreement. A copy of the Agreement is available for review at the Department of Facility Services.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: All work required under this Agreement is categorically exempt from environmental review under Section 15306 of the CEQA Guidelines – Information Collection.

FISCAL IMPACT: The total cost of providing services included in the Agreement is an amount not to exceed \$165,453. This is an anticipated expense and funding is included in the FY 2009/10 Budget: 0450 Solid Waste Management (\$102,820) and 0289 Eastern Regional Landfill (\$62,633).

CC: COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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A COPY OF THE AGREEMENT IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT THE OFFICE OF FACILITY SERVICES:

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