

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

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **MAY 18, 2010**

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

Subject: **SMD 1 WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE AND EXPANSION:  
AGREEMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

**ACTION REQUESTED/RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that your Board approve an Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM) for the preparation of an environmental document for the Sewer Maintenance District 1 (SMD 1) Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project (Project) in an amount not-to-exceed \$279,125, and authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement.

**BACKGROUND:** On March 10, 2009, your Board directed staff to proceed with obtaining consultant services for preparation of an environmental document for the Project. Accordingly, staff sent a Request for Work Plan and Cost Estimate to eight firms on the County's list of prequalified Environmental Consultants (Qualified List 9749). From the five responses received, a three person panel recommended AECOM as the best qualified firm to perform the work. Staff has negotiated an Agreement with AECOM to prepare an environmental document for the Project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This document will cover Phase I of the Project, which would increase the capacity of Plant 1 to 2.7 million gallons per day.

In order to proceed with the preparation of the environmental documentation for the Project, your Board's approval of the Agreement with AECOM is needed. A copy of this Agreement is available for review at the Clerk of the Board's office.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE:** Approval of an Agreement to prepare environmental documents is not considered a project under the CEQA. Environmental review addressing the potential impacts of the proposed Project will be prepared concurrently with the project design.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The cost of providing services included in the Agreement is \$279,125. Sufficient funds are available in the SMD 1 Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Capital Project budget.

AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OFFICE: AGREEMENT

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