

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

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **DECEMBER 13, 2011**

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

Subject: **AGREEMENT WITH STEARNS, CONRAD AND SCHMIDT CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. FOR WATER QUALITY MONITORING SERVICES AT THE MEADOW VISTA, LOOMIS, FORESTHILL AND EASTERN REGIONAL LANDFILL SITES**

ACTION REQUESTED/RECOMMENDATION: Approve a Resolution authorizing the Director of Facility Services, or his designee, to execute an Agreement with Stearns, Conrad and Schmidt Consulting Engineers, Inc., dba SCS Engineers (SCS) in an amount not-to-exceed \$161,595, upon review and approval by County Counsel and Risk Management, for water quality monitoring services at the Meadow Vista, Loomis, Foresthill and Eastern Regional Landfills.

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). SCS is on the County's list of pre-qualified consulting firms and has provided these services at the County's closed landfills since 2006. Based on SCS's past performance and familiarity with the sites, staff believes they are the best qualified firm to provide water quality monitoring services at the closed landfill sites. In addition, SCS submitted the lowest cost proposal during the 2009 consultant selection process and has had minimal increases to their hourly rates since that time.

Staff negotiated an Agreement with SCS to provide water quality monitoring services for calendar year 2012. 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. The overall cost for this year's work is approximately 1.3% higher than last year due to an increase in the vehicle use rate and 5-year constituent of concern sampling at Meadow Vista that was not included in last year's Agreement. A copy of the Agreement is available for review at the Clerk of the Board's Office.

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 \$161,595. This is an anticipated expense and funding is included in the FY 2011/12 Budget: 0450 Solid Waste Management - \$106,765 and 0289 Eastern Regional Landfill - \$54,830.

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

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CC: COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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

In the matter of: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE DIRECTOR OF FACILITY SERVICES, OR HIS
DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH
STEARNS, CONRAD AND SCHMIDT CONSULTING
ENGINEERS, INC. FOR WATER QUALITY MONITORING
SERVICES AT THE MEADOW VISTA, LOOMIS,
FORESTHILL AND EASTERN REGIONAL LANDFILLS

Resolution _____

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.

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board

WHEREAS, Waste Discharge Requirements issued by the California Regional
Water Quality Control Board establish requirements for ongoing water quality
monitoring at the Meadow Vista, Loomis, Foresthill and Eastern Regional Landfills.

WHEREAS, it is in the County's interest to abide by State and Federal regulations and to
insure that its contractors receive fair and reasonable return from operating their
business.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors or the County of
Placer, State of California, that this Board approves and authorizes the Director of
Facility Services, or his designee, to sign an Agreement with Stearns, Conrad and
Schmidt Consulting Engineers, Inc. for water quality monitoring services at the,
Meadow Vista, Loomis, Foresthill and Eastern Regional Landfills for an amount not
to exceed \$161,595.