



**MEMORANDUM
PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES
ENGINEERING DIVISION
County of Placer**

To: Board of Supervisors

Date: August 28, 2018

From: Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works and Facilities
By: Alice Atherton, Associate Civil Engineer

Subject: Engineering / Professional Services Agreement Amendment / Tree Mortality Removal Project

ACTION REQUESTED

Adopt a Resolution to approve Amendment No. 1 to Professional Services Agreement No. 000974 with Mountain G. Enterprises, Inc. for the Tree Mortality Removal Project to increase the current contract by \$755,076.25 for a total amount of \$1,761,889.97, and authorize the Director of Public Works and Facilities, or designee, to sign and execute subsequent contract amendments up to ten percent of the contract amount.

BACKGROUND

On October 30, 2015 Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. declared a state of emergency and sought federal action to help mobilize additional resources for the safe removal of dead and dying trees. On September 27, 2016 the Placer County Board of Supervisors approved a plan to remove hazardous trees that could damage or destroy county infrastructure. The Board continues to renew this emergency status as a consent item. On September 5, 2017 the BOS approved PSA 000974 with Mountain G. Enterprises, Inc. to implement the tree identification and removal plan.

The amendment is necessary because, to date, approximately 10,500 dead or dying trees have been identified as a threat to the County's infrastructure, almost six times the original estimate of 1,834 trees when work began, thereby increasing the necessary level of effort. Thousands of Right of Entry forms have been mailed out and thousands of trees have been marked for removal. Biological and archeological clearances have been completed. Necessary Agreements with the US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and Tahoe Regional Planning Agency are being developed. Mapping and data management systems are being established as needed for construction contract bid package creation and execution.

ENVIRONMENT IMPACT

The Professional Services Agreement is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA guidelines, Section 15301c.

FISCAL IMPACT

In accordance with the California Disaster Assistance Relief Act, the County is required to fund 100 percent of project costs up front and will be eligible to receive 75 percent cost reimbursement from the State after a 25 percent county match. A CAL FIRE grant will cover a portion of the 25 percent match up to \$363,955. The Tree Mortality Removal Project was initially included in the Office of Emergency Services budget for \$3,100,000 in FY 2017-18 with \$2,183,958 re-budgeted for use in FY 2018 -19.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

On File with Clerk of the Board: Professional Services Agreement No. 000974 and Amendment No. 1

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

In the matter of:

A Resolution to approve Amendment No. 1 to PSA No. 000974 with Mountain G. Enterprises, Inc. for the Tree Mortality Removal Project and authorizing the Director of Public Works and Facilities, or designee, to execute future contract amendments up to 10% of the revised contract total amount Resolution No.: _____

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.

Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Placer, State of California, that this Board approves Amendment No. 1 to Professional Services Agreement No. 000974 with Mountain G. Enterprises, Inc., increasing the current contract by \$755,076.25 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,761,889.97, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED, , that this Board approves and authorizes the Director of Public Works and Facilities, or designee, to execute subsequent contract amendments for the contract for additional professional services up to ten (10) percent of the revised contract amount as needed.