

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

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Date: **MAY 8, 2007**

FROM: JD JAMES DURFEE / WILL DICKINSON

SUBJECT: AGREEMENT WITH WEST YOST ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE AUBURN RAVINE LIFT STATION PRELIMINARY DESIGN

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION: Approve an Agreement with West Yost Associates, Inc. (WYA) to provide engineering services for the Sewer Maintenance District No. 1 (SMD 1) Auburn Ravine Lift Station in an amount not to exceed \$178,227, and authorize the Chairman to execute same.

BACKGROUND: Placer County owns and operates a wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal system, and provides sewer service to the unincorporated area of North Auburn in Placer County known as SMD 1. SMD 1 serves approximately 6,000 connections, including approximately 885 connections in the Auburn Ravine Basin. The Auburn Ravine Lift Station (ARLS), located on Auburn Ravine Road, was constructed in 1959 and is currently unable to adequately pump the amount of flow it receives during heavy rain events. During the storm on December 31, 2005, crews worked around the clock to move sewage through the collection system, but were still unable to prevent an overflow of raw sewage at the ARLS.

On December 13, 2005, your Board approved a list of prequalified consulting firms for engineering work on sewer collection systems. Staff requested project-specific proposals from four firms on that list to conduct the studies and prepare an evaluation of the existing lift station facilities. Staff received four proposals for the project. Staff has reviewed the work plans and cost proposals, and has selected WYA as the best qualified firm for this project.

Staff negotiated the proposed Agreement to conduct an assessment of the existing ARLS facilities, develop and prepare preliminary design drawings of the ARLS, and assess the Tierra Heights, Russell Road, Hidden Glen, and Sylvan Glen lift stations within the Auburn Ravine Basin. A copy of the Agreement is available for review at the Clerk of the Board's office.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: The engineering studies and design included in this Agreement are not a project under CEQA and are therefore exempt from environmental review. Environmental analysis of any proposed improvements will be prepared concurrently with project design and will be brought back to your Board for approval prior to advertising for bids.

FISCAL IMPACT: The cost of providing services defined in the Agreement is \$178,227. Of this amount, \$50,000 is included in the 2006/07 Budget. The remainder will be included in the 2007/08 Preliminary Budget. Project costs will be reimbursed through a \$2,000,000 grant from the Placer County Redevelopment Agency.

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

cc: COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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