

<b>COUNTY OF SONOMA AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY REPORT</b>			<b>Clerk of the Board Use Only</b>	
			<b>Meeting Date</b> _____ <b>Agenda Item No:</b> _____	<b>Held Until</b> _____ <b>Agenda Item No:</b> _____
<b>Department:</b> Sonoma County Water Agency			( ) 4/5 Vote Required	
<b>Contact:</b> Grant Davis	<b>Phone:</b> (707) 547-1911	<b>Board Date:</b> 08-04-09	<b>Deadline for Board Action:</b>	
<b>AGENDA SHORT TITLE:</b> Water Supply Consultation Services				
<b>REQUESTED BOARD ACTION(S):</b> Authorize General Manager/Chief Engineer to execute the Second Amended Agreement for Water Supply Consultation Services between the Sonoma County Water Agency (Agency) and CSW/Stuber-Stroeh Engineering Group, Inc. (\$75,000) in substantially the form as the draft presented to this Board, following review and approval by County Counsel as to form and by Risk Management as to insurance requirements.  Authorize the Agency's General Manager/Chief Engineer to further amend the Agreement, provided subsequent amendments do not cumulatively increase the total cost to the Agency by more than \$25,000 and do not substantially change the scope of work.				
<b>CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT</b>				
<b><u>EXPENDITURES</u></b>			<b><u>ADD'L FUNDS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL</u></b>	
<b>Estimated Cost</b>	<b>\$</b>	75,000	<b>Contingencies</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Amount Budgeted</b>	<b>\$</b>	75,000	<b>Unanticipated Revenue</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Other Avail Approp (Explain below)</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>Other Transfer(s)</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Additional Requested:</b>	<b>\$</b>	-0-	<b>Add'l Funds Requested:</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Explanation (if required):</b> Funding is available from the \$75,000 appropriation in the FY 09/10 budget for the Fund entitled Warm Springs Dam (Special Revenue Fund (Account No. 673806-6570)).				
<b>Prior Board Action(s):</b>				
<b>Alternatives - Results of Non-Approval:</b> Non-approval could substantially hinder the Agency's availability to communicate with our water contractors and could delay successful implementation of work required by the Biological Opinion (BO).				

**Background:** Draft Amended Agreement and "Working Copy" of Amended Agreement showing changes on file with the Clerk.

**HISTORY OF ITEM**

The Sonoma County Water Agency (Agency) and CSW/Stuber-Stroeh Engineering Group, Inc., (Consultant) entered into an Agreement for Water Supply Consultation Services (Original Agreement), on June 20, 2007, in the amount of \$25,000. Consultant's services under the Agreement included attending Water Advisory Committee (WAC), Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and Salmon Coalition meetings; meeting informally with WAC/TAC members and members of the Agency's Board of Directors to discuss water supply, water rights, and other relevant issues; participating in meetings with State and Federal legislators; and acting as a third-party facilitator between the various groups involved in the supply of water in Sonoma and Marin Counties.

The First Amended Agreement, dated February 25, 2009, extended the term of the agreement by one year, to June 30, 2009, with no additional funding and no change in the scope of work.

This Second Amended Agreement extends the term of the agreement by another two years, to June 30, 2011, and adds \$75,000 to the amount. The Second Amended Agreement includes additional meeting topics including, but not limited to, implementation of the Biological Opinion (BO) and specific work related to Dry Creek restoration and enhancement process, comprehensive water and energy conservation program, ground water use and recharge mapping regarding Sonoma County water supply, wastewater reclamation and irrigation, and ground recharge. Consultant will also coordinate local water supplies by meeting with Agency's water contractors.

This work is consistent with the Strategic Plan of the Agency, specifically Strategy Number 1: Address Dry Creek summer flow constraints in response to the BO; and Strategy Number 12: Overcome organizational fragmentation to promote efficiency of water system operations and water system planning.

**SELECTION PROCESS**

Consultant was the only firm contacted and was selected to perform the work under the Original Agreement and continue work under the First Amended Agreement. This selection was a sound business decision because of Consultant's experience in the water resources field and extensive knowledge of the history of water resources in the North Bay Area. Consultant's continued work under the proposed Second Amended Agreement is also a sound business decision based on Consultant's environment and agricultural expertise in working with Dry Creek stakeholders and previous work with Agency's water contractors. Furthermore, the Agency does not currently have the staffing resources available in-house to carry out this work.

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**Attachments:**

**On File With Clerk:** Draft Amended Agreement (1 copy), "Working Copy" of Amended Agreement showing changes (one copy for reference).

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**Board Action (If other than "Requested")**

**Vote:**

**Background (continued):**

**TERMINATION**

The Second Amended Agreement includes provisions for the Agency's General Manager/Chief Engineer to terminate the Agreement.

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