

## AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF MONTEREY AND M3 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING, LLC

This AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the County of Monterey, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as "County", and M3 Environmental Consulting, LLC, hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR."

### RECITALS

WHEREAS, County has invited proposals through the Request for Proposals (RFP #10498) for **Environmental Hygienist Consulting Services**, in accordance with the specifications set forth in this AGREEMENT; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has submitted a responsive and responsible proposal to perform such services; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has the expertise and capabilities necessary to provide the services requested.

NOW THEREFORE, County and CONTRACTOR, for the consideration hereinafter named, agree as follows:

### 1.0 PERFORMANCE OF THE AGREEMENT

- 1.1 After consideration and evaluation of the CONTRACTOR'S proposal, the County hereby engages CONTRACTOR to provide the services set forth in RFP #10498 and in this AGREEMENT on the terms and conditions contained herein and in RFP #10498. The intent of this AGREEMENT is to summarize the contractual obligations of the parties. This AGREEMENT is based on the following supporting documents:

**AGREEMENT**

RFP # 10498 dated April 9, 2015, including all attachments and exhibits

CONTRACTOR'S Proposal dated May 11, 2015.

Exhibit A: Schedule of Rates

- 1.2 These documents are on file with the Contracts/Purchasing Division.
- 1.3 All of the above-referenced documents are intended to be complementary. Work required by one of the above-referenced documents and not by others shall be done as if required by all. In the event of a conflict between or among component parts of the contract, the contract documents shall be construed in the following order:

AGREEMENT, RFP #10498, Exhibit A: Schedule of Rates, CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, including all attachments and exhibits.

- 1.4 CONTRACTOR warrants that CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR's agents, employees, and subcontractors performing services under this AGREEMENT are specially trained, experienced, competent, and appropriately licensed to perform the work and deliver the services required under this AGREEMENT and are not employees of the County, or immediate family of an employee of the County.
- 1.5 CONTRACTOR, its agents, employees, and subcontractors shall perform all work in a safe and skillful manner and in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. All work performed under this AGREEMENT that is required by law to be performed or supervised by licensed personnel shall be performed in accordance with such licensing requirements.
  - 1.5.1 CONTRACTOR must maintain all licenses throughout the term of the AGREEMENT.
- 1.6 CONTRACTOR shall furnish, at its own expense, all materials, equipment, and personnel necessary to carry out the terms of this AGREEMENT, except as otherwise specified in this AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall not use County premises, property (including equipment, instruments, or supplies) or personnel for any purpose other than in the performance of its obligations under this AGREEMENT.

## 2.0 SCOPE OF SERVICE

The SCOPE OF WORK includes, but is not limited to the following:

- 2.1 CONTRACTOR will conduct air monitoring tests and studies and/or industrial hygiene surveys as necessary to meet project and OSHA requirements, including the creation of work plans for hazardous material abatement as well as atmospheric materials & surface testing.
- 2.2 CONTRACTOR will perform site investigations and sampling into indoor/outdoor air quality issues including: lead, asbestos, mold, bacteria, odors, and various other agents of potential concern.
  - 2.2.1 CONTRACTOR will conduct asbestos inspections.
- 2.3 CONTRACTOR will perform health and safety oversight during emergencies such as floods, fires, and sewage invasions.
- 2.4 CONTRACTOR will provide risk assessments during emergencies to determine suitability for occupancy.
- 2.5 CONTRACTOR will develop work plans for projects and provide oversight during abatement for any asbestos, mold, and/or lead.

- 2.6 CONTRACTOR will provide hazardous waste and emergency response guidance.
- 2.7 CONTRACTOR will be held responsible for any breakage, loss of County's equipment or supplies through negligence of CONTRACTOR or his employee while working on County's premises. CONTRACTOR will be responsible for restoring/replacing any equipment, facilities, etc. so damaged. CONTRACTOR will immediately report to County any damages to the premises resulting from services performed under this Agreement.

### 3.0 TERM OF AGREEMENT

- 3.1 The initial term shall commence with the signing of the AGREEMENT through and including October 31, 2018, with the option to extend the AGREEMENT for two (2) additional one (1) year periods. County is not required to state a reason if it elects not to renew this AGREEMENT.
  - 3.1.1 County is not required to state a reason if it elects not to renew this AGREEMENT.
  - 3.1.2 If County exercises its option to extend, parties shall mutually agree in writing upon the extension, including any changes in rates or terms and conditions.
- 3.2 During the term of this Agreement, the County may terminate the Agreement for any reason by giving written notice of termination to the CONTRACTOR at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of termination. Such notice shall set forth the effective date of termination. In the event of such termination, the amount payable under this Agreement shall be reduced in proportion to the services provided prior to the date of termination.
- 3.3 The County may cancel and terminate this Agreement for good cause effective immediately upon written notice to CONTRACTOR. "Good cause" includes the failure of CONTRACTOR to perform the required services at the time and in the manner provided under this Agreement. If County terminates this Agreement for good cause, the County may be relieved of the payment of any consideration to CONTRACTOR, and the County may proceed with the work in any manner, which County deems proper. The cost to the County shall be deducted from any sum due the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement.
- 3.4 The County's payments to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement are funded by local, state, and federal governments. If funds from local, state and federal sources are not obtained and continued at a level sufficient to allow for the County's purchase of the indicated quantity of services, then the County may give written notice of this fact to CONTRACTOR, and the obligations of the parties under this Agreement shall terminate immediately, or on such date thereafter, as the County may specify in its notice, unless in the meanwhile the parties enter into a written amendment modifying the Agreement.

## 4.0 COMPENSATION AND PAYMENTS

- 4.1 It is mutually understood and agreed by both parties that CONTRACTOR shall be compensated under this AGREEMENT in accordance with the pricing sheet attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, subject to the limitations set forth in this AGREEMENT. The total amount payable by County to CONTRACTOR under this AGREEMENT is not to exceed the sum of **\$300,000**.
- 4.2 Prices shall remain firm for the initial term of this AGREEMENT and, thereafter, may be adjusted annually as provided in this paragraph. County does not guarantee any minimum or maximum amount of dollars to be spent under this AGREEMENT.
- 4.3 Negotiations for rate changes shall be commenced, by CONTRACTOR, a minimum of ninety days (90) prior to the expiration of this AGREEMENT. Rate changes are not binding unless mutually agreed upon in writing by the County and CONTRACTOR.
- 4.4 Any discount offered by the CONTRACTOR must allow for payment after receipt and acceptance of services, material or equipment and correct invoice, whichever is later. In no case will a discount be considered that requires payment in less than 30 days.
- 4.5 CONTRACTOR shall levy no additional fees or surcharges of any kind during the term of this AGREEMENT without first obtaining approval from County in writing.
- 4.6 Tax:
- 4.6.1 Pricing as per this AGREEMENT is inclusive of all applicable taxes.
- 4.6.2 County is registered with the Internal Revenue Service, San Francisco office, and registration number 94-6000524. The County is exempt from Federal Transportation Tax; an exemption certificate is not required where shipping documents show Monterey County as consignee.

## 5.0 INVOICES AND PURCHASE ORDERS

- 5.1 Invoices for all services rendered per this AGREEMENT shall be billed directly to the **Monterey County Resource Management Agency-Public Works** at the following address:
- 168 West Alisal Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Salinas, CA 93901**
- 5.2 CONTRACTOR shall reference RFP #10498 on all invoices submitted to County. CONTRACTOR shall submit such invoices periodically or at the completion of services, but in any event, not later than 30 days after completion of services. The invoice shall set forth the amounts claimed by CONTRACTOR for the previous period, together with an itemized basis for the amounts claimed, and such other information pertinent to the

invoice. County shall certify the invoice, either in the requested amount or in such other amount as County approves in conformity with this AGREEMENT, and shall promptly submit such invoice to County Auditor-Controller for payment. County Auditor-Controller shall pay the amount certified within 30 days of receiving the certified invoice.

- 5.3 All County of Monterey Purchase Orders issued for the AGREEMENT are valid only during the fiscal year in which they are issued (the fiscal year is defined as July 1 through June 30).
- 5.4 Unauthorized Surcharges or Fees: Invoices containing unauthorized surcharges or unauthorized fees of any kind shall be rejected by County. Surcharges and additional fees not included in the AGREEMENT must be approved by County in writing via an Amendment.

## 6.0 STANDARD INDEMNIFICATION

- 6.1 CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims, liabilities, and losses whatsoever (including damages to property and injuries to or death of persons, court costs, and reasonable attorneys' fees) occurring or resulting to any and all persons, firms or corporations furnishing or supplying work, services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of this AGREEMENT, and from any and all claims, liabilities, and losses occurring or resulting to any person, firm, or corporation for damage, injury, or death arising out of or connected with CONTRACTOR's performance of this AGREEMENT, unless such claims, liabilities, or losses arise out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of County. "CONTRACTOR's performance" includes CONTRACTOR's action or inaction and the action or inaction of CONTRACTOR's officers, employees, agents and subcontractors.

## 7.0 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 7.1 Evidence of Coverage:
- 7.1.1 Prior to commencement of this AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall provide a "Certificate of Insurance" certifying that coverage as required herein has been obtained. Individual endorsements executed by the insurance carrier shall accompany the certificate. In addition CONTRACTOR upon request shall provide a certified copy of the policy or policies.
- 7.1.2 This verification of coverage shall be sent to the County's Contracts/Purchasing Department, unless otherwise directed. CONTRACTOR shall not receive a "Notice to Proceed" with the work under this AGREEMENT until it has obtained all insurance required and such, insurance has been approved by County. This

approval of insurance shall neither relieve nor decrease the liability of CONTRACTOR.

7.2 Qualifying Insurers: All coverage, except surety, shall be issued by companies which hold a current policy holder's alphabetic and financial size category rating of not less than A- VII, according to the current Best's Key Rating Guide or a company of equal financial stability that is approved by County's Purchasing Officer.

7.3 Insurance Coverage Requirements:

7.3.1 Without limiting CONTRACTOR's duty to indemnify, CONTRACTOR shall maintain in effect throughout the term of this AGREEMENT a policy or policies of insurance with the following minimum limits of liability:

7.3.1.1 Commercial general liability insurance, including but not limited to premises and operations, including coverage for Bodily Injury and Property Damage, Personal Injury, Contractual Liability, Broadform Property Damage, Independent Contractors, Products and Completed Operations, with a combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

7.3.1.2 Business automobile liability insurance, covering all motor vehicles, including owned, leased, non-owned, and hired vehicles, used in providing services under this AGREEMENT, with a combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

7.3.1.3 Workers' Compensation Insurance, if CONTRACTOR employs others in the performance of this AGREEMENT, in accordance with California Labor Code section 3700 and with Employer's Liability limits not less than \$1,000,000 each person, \$1,000,000 each accident and \$1,000,000 each disease.

7.3.1.4 Professional liability insurance, if required for the professional services being provided, (e.g., those persons authorized by a license to engage in a business or profession regulated by the California Business and Professions Code), in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per claim and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate, to cover liability for malpractice or errors or omissions made in the course of rendering professional services. If professional liability insurance is written on a "claims-made" basis rather than an occurrence basis, CONTRACTOR shall, upon the expiration or earlier termination of this AGREEMENT, obtain extended reporting coverage ("tail coverage") with the same liability limits. Any such tail coverage shall continue for at least three years following the expiration or earlier termination of this AGREEMENT.

7.4 Other Insurance Requirements:

- 7.4.1 All insurance required by this AGREEMENT shall be with a company acceptable to County and issued and executed by an admitted insurer authorized to transact Insurance business in the State of California. Unless otherwise specified by this AGREEMENT, all such insurance shall be written on an occurrence basis, or, if the policy is not written on an occurrence basis, such policy with the coverage required herein shall continue in effect for a period of three years following the date CONTRACTOR completes its performance of services under this AGREEMENT.
- 7.4.2 Each liability policy shall provide that County shall be given notice in writing at least thirty days in advance of any endorsed reduction in coverage or limit, cancellation, or intended non-renewal thereof. Each policy shall provide coverage for CONTRACTOR and additional insured with respect to claims arising from each subcontractor, if any, performing work under this AGREEMENT, or be accompanied by a certificate of insurance from each subcontractor showing each subcontractor has identical insurance coverage to the above requirements.
- 7.4.3 Commercial general liability and automobile liability policies shall provide an endorsement naming the County of Monterey, its officers, agents, and employees as Additional Insureds with respect to liability arising out of the CONTRACTOR'S work, including ongoing and completed operations, and shall further provide that such insurance is primary insurance to any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County and that the insurance of the Additional Insureds shall not be called upon to contribute to a loss covered by the CONTRACTOR'S insurance. The required endorsement form for Commercial General Liability Additional Insured is ISO Form CG 20 10 11-85 or CG 20 10 10 01 in tandem with CG 20 37 10 01 (2000). The required endorsement form for Automobile Additional Insured endorsement is ISO Form CA 20 48 02 99.
- 7.4.4 Prior to the execution of this AGREEMENT by County, CONTRACTOR shall file certificates of insurance with County's contract administrator and County's Contracts/Purchasing Division, showing that CONTRACTOR has in effect the insurance required by this AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall file a new or amended certificate of insurance within five calendar days after any change is made in any insurance policy, which would alter the information on the certificate then on file. Acceptance or approval of insurance shall in no way modify or change the indemnification clause in this AGREEMENT, which shall continue in full force and effect.
- 7.4.5 CONTRACTOR shall at all times during the term of this AGREEMENT maintain in force the insurance coverage required under this AGREEMENT and shall send, without demand by County, annual certificates to County's Contract Administrator and County's Contracts/Purchasing Division. If the certificate is not received by the expiration date, County shall notify CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR shall have five calendar days to send in the certificate,

evidencing no lapse in coverage during the interim. Failure by CONTRACTOR to maintain such insurance is a default of this AGREEMENT, which entitles County, at its sole discretion, to terminate this AGREEMENT immediately.

## 8.0 RECORDS AND CONFIDENTIALITY

- 8.1 Confidentiality: CONTRACTOR and its officers, employees, agents, and subcontractors shall comply with any and all federal, state, and local laws, which provide for the confidentiality of records and other information. CONTRACTOR shall not disclose any confidential records or other confidential information received from the County or prepared in connection with the performance of this AGREEMENT, unless County specifically permits CONTRACTOR to disclose such records or information. CONTRACTOR shall promptly transmit to County any and all requests for disclosure of any such confidential records or information. CONTRACTOR shall not use any confidential information gained by CONTRACTOR in the performance of this AGREEMENT except for the sole purpose of carrying out CONTRACTOR's obligations under this AGREEMENT.
- 8.2 County Records: When this AGREEMENT expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall return to County any County records which CONTRACTOR used or received from County to perform services under this AGREEMENT.
- 8.3 Maintenance of Records: CONTRACTOR shall prepare, maintain, and preserve all reports and records that may be required by federal, state, and County rules and regulations related to services performed under this AGREEMENT.
- 8.4 Access to and Audit of Records: County shall have the right to examine, monitor and audit all records, documents, conditions, and activities of CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors related to services provided under this AGREEMENT. The parties to this AGREEMENT may be subject, at the request of County or as part of any audit of County, to the examination and audit of the State Auditor pertaining to matters connected with the performance of this AGREEMENT for a period of three years after final payment under the AGREEMENT.

## 9.0 NON-DISCRIMINATION

- 9.1 During the performance of this contract, CONTRACTOR shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, age (over 40), sex, or sexual orientation. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the evaluation and treatment of its employees and applicants for employment are free of such discrimination. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code, §12900, et seq.) and the



applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, §7285.0, et seq.).

- 9.2 The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code, §12900, et seq., set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations are incorporated into this AGREEMENT by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.
- 9.3 CONTRACTOR shall include the non-discrimination and compliance provisions of the clause in all AGREEMENTs with subcontractors to perform work under the contract.

## 10.0 OVERRIDING CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 10.1 Independent Contractor: CONTRACTOR shall be an independent contractor and shall not be an employee of Monterey County, nor immediate family of an employee of County. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for all insurance (General Liability, Automobile, Workers' Compensation, unemployment, etc.) and all payroll-related taxes. CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to any employee benefits. CONTRACTOR shall control the manner and means of accomplishing the result contracted for herein.
- 10.2 Minimum Work Performance Percentage: CONTRACTOR shall perform with his own organization contract work amounting to not less than 50 percent of the original total AGREEMENT amount, except that any designated 'Specialty Items' may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such 'Specialty Items' so performed may be deducted from the original total AGREEMENT amount before computing the amount of work required to be performed by CONTRACTOR with his own organization or per a consortium.
- 10.3 Non-Assignment: CONTRACTOR shall not assign this contract or the work required herein without the prior written consent of County.
- 10.4 Any subcontractor shall comply with all of County of Monterey requirements, including insurance and indemnification requirements as detailed in this AGREEMENT.

## 11.0 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 11.1 CONTRACTOR covenants that CONTRACTOR, its responsible officers, and its employees having major responsibilities for the performance of work under the AGREEMENT, presently have no interest and during the term of this AGREEMENT will not acquire any interests, direct or indirect, which might conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of CONTRACTOR'S services under this AGREEMENT.

## 12.0 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS

- 12.1 CONTRACTOR shall keep itself informed of and in compliance with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and orders, including but not limited to all state and federal tax laws that may affect in any manner the Project or the performance of the Services or those engaged to perform Services under this AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall procure all permits and licenses, pay all charges and fees, and give all notices required by law in the performance of the Services.
- 12.2 CONTRACTOR shall report immediately to County's Contracts/Purchasing Officer, in writing, any discrepancy or inconsistency it discovers in the laws, ordinances, regulations, orders, and/or guidelines in relation to the Project of the performance of the Services.
- 12.3 All documentation prepared by CONTRACTOR shall provide for a completed project that conforms to all applicable codes, rules, regulations and guidelines that are in force at the time such documentation is prepared.

## 13.0 DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

- 13.1 CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR's employees shall comply with the County's policy of maintaining a drug free workplace. Neither CONTRACTOR nor CONTRACTOR's employees shall unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess or use controlled substances, as defined in 21 U.S. Code § 812, including, but not limited to, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and amphetamines, at any County facility or work site. If CONTRACTOR or any employee of CONTRACTOR is convicted or pleads nolo contendere to a criminal drug statute violation occurring at a County facility or work site, the CONTRACTOR shall, within five days thereafter notify the head of the County department/agency for which the AGREEMENT services are performed. Violation of this provision shall constitute a material breach of this AGREEMENT.

## 14.0 TIME OF ESSENCE

- 14.1 Time is of the essence in respect to all provisions of this AGREEMENT that specify a time for performance; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not be construed to limit or deprive a party of the benefits of any grace or use period allowed in this AGREEMENT.

## 15.0 PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE AND WAIVER OF BREACH

- 15.1 Assurance of Performance: If at any time County believes CONTRACTOR may not be adequately performing its obligations under this AGREEMENT or that CONTRACTOR may fail to complete the Services as required by this AGREEMENT, County may request from CONTRACTOR prompt written assurances of performance and a written plan acceptable to County, to correct the observed deficiencies in CONTRACTOR's performance. CONTRACTOR shall provide such written assurances and written plan within ten (10) calendar days of its receipt of County's request and shall thereafter diligently commence and fully perform such written plan. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that any failure to provide such written assurances and written plan within the required time is a material breach under this AGREEMENT. If County accepts the plan it shall issue a signed waiver.
- 15.1.1 Waiver: No waiver of a breach, failure of any condition, or any right or remedy contained in or granted by the provisions of this AGREEMENT shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party waiving the breach, failure, right or remedy. No waiver of any breach, failure, right or remedy shall be deemed a waiver of any other breach, failure, right or remedy, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless the writing so specifies.

## 16.0 FORCE MAJEURE

- 16.1 "Force Majeure" means any cause beyond the reasonable control of a party, including but not limited to acts of God, civil or military disruption, fire, strike, flood, riot, war, or inability due to the aforementioned causes to obtain necessary labor, materials or facilities.
- 16.2 If any party hereto is delayed or prevented from fulfilling its obligations under this AGREEMENT by Force Majeure, said party will not be liable under this AGREEMENT for said delay or failure, nor for damages or injuries resulting directly from the inability to perform scheduled work due to Force Majeure.
- 16.3 CONTRACTOR shall be granted an automatic extension of time commensurate with any delay in performing scheduled work arising from Force Majeure. CONTRACTOR agrees to resume such work within three (3) days after the Force Majeure has subsided enough to do so.

## 17.0 RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE COUNTY FOR DEFAULT

- 17.1 In the case of default by CONTRACTOR, County may procure the articles or services from other sources and may recover the loss occasioned thereby from any unpaid balance due to CONTRACTOR or by proceeding against any performance bond of CONTRACTOR, if any, or by suit against CONTRACTOR. The prices paid by County shall be considered the prevailing market price at the time such purchase(s) may be made. Inspections of deliveries or offers for deliveries that do not meet specifications shall be made at the expense of CONTRACTOR.

## 18.0 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

- 18.1 Travel reimbursements shall not exceed the IRS allowance rates as per County of Monterey Travel Policy. A copy of County's Travel Policy is available on the Auditor-Controller's web site at: <http://www.co.monterey.ca.us/auditor/policy.htm>.

## 19.0 PUBLIC WORKS OF IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

- 19.1 Prevailing Wages: If applicable, CONTRACTOR shall comply with provisions of the Labor Code (sections 1720, et seq.) governing public works, including payment of prevailing wages, payroll records and employment of apprentices. Copies of the determination of the general prevailing rate of per diem wages are available to interested parties at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/DPreWageDetermination.htm>.
- 19.2 Local Hiring per County of Monterey Code 5.08.120: All provisions included in County of Monterey Code 5.08.120 are applicable to this AGREEMENT, including but not limited to:
- 19.2.1 County of Monterey Code Section 5.08.120 General Provisions; Unless such a provision would conflict with a State or Federal law or regulation applicable to a particular contract for public works of improvement, all County contracts for public works of improvement shall contain provisions pursuant to which the contractor promises to make a good-faith effort to hire qualified individuals who are, and have been for at least one year prior to the opening of bids, residents of the Monterey Bay Area in sufficient numbers so that no less than fifty (50) percent of the contractor's total construction work force, including any subcontractor work force, measured in labor work hours, is comprised of Monterey Bay Area residents.
- 19.2.2 For the purpose of this Section, the following terms have the meanings indicated:  
"Board" shall mean the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

"Qualified individual" shall mean a person who is specially trained, skilled, and experienced in the work, trade, or craft specified in the portion of the public work of improvement to be performed or who is enrolled in a certified State or federally approved apprenticeship program in the applicable trade or who is a journey person in his or her applicable trade.

"Resident of Monterey Bay Area" shall mean a person who resides within the boundaries of Monterey County, Santa Cruz County, or San Benito County.

## **20.0 REQUIREMENTS FOR WORK/SERVICES PERFORMED AT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

- 20.1 CONTRACTOR shall procure all necessary permits and licenses and abide by all applicable laws, regulations and ordinances of the United States and of the State of California. The Agency will be in compliance with Title 22, OSHA, Federal and State Labor Laws and the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations.

## **21.0 BACKGROUND CHECKS**

- 21.1 CONTRACTOR shall be required to submit appropriate State level criminal background clearance(s) for all personnel required to work within County facilities that are deemed restricted or high security, including but not limited to the Sheriff's Office, Probation Department, 911 Center, and District Attorney's Office.
- 21.1.1 A California licensed Investigator must perform the required State level criminal background check(s) which must then be submitted to County prior to the personnel being allowed to work within such County facilities.
- 21.1.2 CONTRACTOR is responsible for the cost of the State level criminal background check(s).
- 21.1.3 EXCEPTION: personnel who are designated to provide services at any of the Sheriff's facilities are required to undergo fingerprinting and background checks through the Sheriff's main office, at no cost to CONTRACTOR.
- 21.2 The required background checks SHALL be completed prior to allowing the personnel to work within any of the limited access facilities.

## **22.0 WARRANTY BY CONTRACTOR**

- 22.1 CONTRACTOR shall fully warrant all materials, equipment, and service against poor and inferior quality or workmanship for a period of not less than one (1) year from date of final acceptance by the COUNTY. Time is of the essence of this AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall repair or replace any inoperable materials or equipment in a timely manner during warranty period.

## 23.0 CLEANUP

- 23.1 During performance and completion of work on this project CONTRACTOR shall remove all unused equipment and instruments of service, all excess or unsuitable material, trash, rubbish and debris, and legally dispose of same, unless otherwise directed by the AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR shall leave entire area in a neat, clean and acceptable condition as approved by the COUNTY.
- 23.2 Waste Removal: Once the collection of waste materials has commenced, CONTRACTOR has exercised control of and taken possession of the waste, and the assumption of risk and liability is solely with CONTRACTOR. County shall not take responsibility for the accidental or purposeful discharge or release of any waste material.

## 24.0 DAMAGE

- 24.1 CONTRACTOR shall be held responsible for any breakage, loss of the COUNTY's equipment or supplies through negligence of the CONTRACTOR or his employee while working on the COUNTY's premises. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for restoring/replacing any equipment, facilities, etc. so damaged. The CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to the COUNTY any damages to the premises resulting from services performed under this AGREEMENT.

## 25.0 NOTICES

- 25.1 Notices required to be given to the respective parties under this AGREEMENT shall be deemed given by any of the following means: (1) when personally delivered to County's contract administrator or to CONTRACTOR'S responsible officer; (2) when personally delivered to the party's principle place of business during normal business hours, by leaving notice with any person apparently in charge of the office and advising such person of the import and contents of the notice; (3) 24 hours after the notice is transmitted by FAX machine to the other party, at the party's FAX number specified pursuant to this AGREEMENT, provided that the party giving notice by FAX must promptly confirm receipt of the FAX by telephone to the receiving party's office; or, (4) three (3) days after the notice is deposited in the U. S. mail with first class or better postage fully prepaid, addressed to the party as indicated below.

Notices mailed or faxed to the parties shall be addressed as follows:

**TO COUNTY:**

Contracts/Purchasing Officer  
County of Monterey, Contracts/Purchasing  
1488 Schilling Place  
Salinas, CA 93901  
Tel. No.: (831) 755-4990  
FAX No.: (831) 755-4969  
[derm@co.monterey.ca.us](mailto:derm@co.monterey.ca.us)

**TO CONTRACTOR:**

Chris Gatward  
M3 Environmental Consulting, LLC  
9821 Blue Larkspur Lane, Suite 100  
Monterey, CA 93940  
Tel. No.: (831) 649-4623  
FAX No.: (831) 649-4624  
[chris@M3environmental.com](mailto:chris@M3environmental.com)

## 26.0 LEGAL DISPUTES

- 26.1 CONTRACTOR agrees that this AGREEMENT and any dispute arising from the relationship between the parties to this AGREEMENT, shall be governed and interpreted by the laws of the State of California, excluding any laws that direct the application of another jurisdiction's laws.
- 26.2 Any dispute that arises under or relates to this AGREEMENT (whether contract, tort, or both) shall be resolved in the Superior Court of California in Monterey County, California.
- 26.3 CONTRACTOR shall continue to perform under this AGREEMENT during any dispute.
- 26.4 The parties agree to waive their separate rights to a trial by jury. This waiver means that the trial will be before a judge.

## 27.0 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 27.1 Amendment: This Agreement may be amended or modified only by an instrument in writing signed by the County and the CONTRACTOR.
- 27.2 Waiver: Any waiver of any terms and conditions of this Agreement must be in writing and signed by the County and the CONTRACTOR. A waiver of any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any other terms or conditions in this Agreement.
- 27.3 Contractor: The term "CONTRACTOR" as used in this Agreement includes CONTRACTOR's officers, agents, and employees action on CONTRACTOR's behalf in the performance of this Agreement.

- 27.4 Disputes: CONTRACTOR shall continue to perform under this Agreement during any dispute.
- 27.5 Successors and Assigns: This Agreement and the rights, privileges, duties, and obligations of the County and CONTRACTOR under this Agreement, to the extent assignable or delegable, shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors, permitted assigns, and heirs.
- 27.6 Headings: The headings are for convenience only and shall not be used to interpret the terms of this Agreement.
- 27.7 Non-exclusive Agreement: This Agreement is non-exclusive and both County and CONTRACTOR expressly reserve the right to contract with other entities for the same or similar services.
- 27.8 Construction of Agreement: The County and CONTRACTOR agree that each party has fully participated in the review and revision of this Agreement and that any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not apply in the interpretation of this Agreement or any amendment to this Agreement.
- 27.9 Counterparts: This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.
- 27.10 Authority: Any individual executing this Agreement on behalf of the County or the CONTRACTOR represents and warrants hereby that he or she has the requisite authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of such party and bind the party to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 27.11 Integration: This Agreement, including the exhibits, represent the entire Agreement between the County and the CONTRACTOR with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement and shall supersede all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral, between the County and the CONTRACTOR as of the effective date of this Agreement, which is the date that the County signs the Agreement.
- 27.12 Interpretation of Conflicting Provisions: In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement and the Provisions of any exhibit or other attachment to this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail and control.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and CONTRACTOR execute this AGREEMENT as follows:

MONTEREY COUNTY

CONTRACTOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contracts/Purchasing Officer

By: [Signature]  
Signature of Chair, President, or  
Vice-President

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Chris Gatward, Principal  
Printed Name and Title

Approved as to Fiscal Provisions:

Dated: 10/29/15

[Signature]  
Deputy Auditor/Controller

By: [Signature]  
(Signature of Secretary, Asst. Secretary, CFO,  
Treasurer or Asst. Treasurer)\*

Dated: 1-28-16

Victoria Gatward, Asst Secretary  
Printed Name and Title

Approved as to Liability Provisions:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Risk Management

Dated: 10/29/15

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to Form:

[Signature]  
Deputy County Counsel

Dated: 1-28-16

County Board of Supervisors' Agreement Number: \_\_\_\_\_.

\*INSTRUCTIONS: If CONTRACTOR is a corporation, including limited liability and non-profit corporations, the full legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above together with the signatures of two specified officers. If CONTRACTOR is a partnership, the name of the partnership shall be set forth above together with the signature of a partner who has authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the partnership. If CONTRACTOR is contracting in an individual capacity, the individual shall set forth the name of the business, if any, and shall personally sign the Agreement.

## EXHIBIT A – SCHEDULE OF RATES

**\*Hourly rates shall be all inclusive of travel, etc.**

### Hourly Billing Labor Rates

Position	Regular	Overtime	Shift
Principal Engineer/Scientist	\$360.00		
Senior Engineer/Scientist	\$205.00		
Project Manager	\$135.00		
Project Specialist	\$125.00		
Project Engineer/Scientist	\$125.00		
Staff II Engineer/Scientist	\$105.00	\$130.00	
Staff I Technician	\$90.00	\$112.00	
Field Technician/Project Assistant	\$85.00	\$105.00	
Drafting (CADD)	\$80.00	\$100.00	
Word Processing/Clerical	\$60.00	\$75.00	

**Unit Pricing**

Site Monitoring: \_\_\_\_ N/A \_\_\_\_

Bulk Sampling: \_\_\_\_ N/A \_\_\_\_

### Laboratory Assistance Pricing (test and analysis)

Type	Normal	Rush	Immediate
Lead	\$14.00	\$32.00	\$18.00
Mold	\$65.00	\$90.00	\$75.00
Asbestos	\$12.00	\$21.00	\$16.00
Bacteria	\$65.00		\$85.00
Other			