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Board Report

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Approve the Professional Services Agreement with ICF Jones and Stokes, Inc. in the amount of \$3,128,976 to develop a long-term Salinas River Management Plan (Phase 1), develop a Habitat Conservation Plan for Monterey County Water Resources Agency operations (Phase 2); and conduct the necessary CEQA/NEPA analyses (Phase 3).

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:

- a. Approve the Professional Services Agreement with ICF Jones and Stokes, Inc. in the amount of \$3,128,976 to develop a long-term Salinas River Management Plan (Phase 1), develop a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for Monterey County Water Resources Agency operations (Phase 2), and conduct the necessary CEQA/NEPA analyses (Phase 3) through June 30, 2021; and
- b. Authorize the General Manager to execute the Agreement upon County Counsel's approval as to form.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

In June 2017, the Agency's Board of Directors and Board of Supervisors authorized the General Manager to enter into a grant agreement with the California Coastal Conservancy to support the development of a Salinas River Management Program. All activities funded by this grant need to be completed by January 2019.

In August 2017, the Board of Supervisors for the Monterey County Water Resources Agency approved the initiation of a phased approach to develop a HCP, with the development of the Salinas River Management Program being Phase 1.

In January 2018, Monterey County Contracts and Purchasing released a Request for Proposals for development of a long-term Salinas River Management Plan, a HCP and the necessary CEQA/NEPA analyses. A tentative award was made to ICF on February 12, 2018, subject to negotiation of terms and conditions and approval by the Agency Board of Directors and Board of Supervisors. The Agency Board of Directors will consider this item on March 19, 2018.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Monterey County Contracts and Purchasing was involved in this Professional Services Agreement.

FINANCING:

Phase 1: California Coastal Conservancy Grant will reimburse Fund 116 and is included in the 2017-18 and 2018-19 budgets.

Phase 2 & 3: To be determined during Phase 1

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Attachment:

1. Professional Services Agreement
2. Board Order