



County of Monterey

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Board Report

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Consider approving a services contract with Baker Tilly US, LLP for Strategic Planning services for a total amount not to exceed \$212,300, and authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Approve a services contract with Baker Tilly US, LLP for Strategic Planning services for a total amount not to exceed \$212,300, and authorize the General Manager to execute the contract.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Water Resources Agency (Agency) Board of Directors adopted a five year Strategic Plan (Plan) in December 2020 which outlined strategic initiatives through five goal categories. The Agency Board of Directors has held two update workshops, since Plan adoption and recommends holding those annually through the term of the Plan. At that time a new Plan will need to be prepared for an additional 5-year period. Baker Tilly was contracted to perform the 2023 Update Workshop and has prepared a proposal for a multiyear engagement scope of work to provide the services needed to accomplish these goals. The scope includes Management Team workshops in 2024 and 2025 for early engagement on plan implementation; preparations for next annual workshop update; stakeholder engagement, staff survey, compiling and reviewing data; the next five-year plan development; and development of an Implementation Action Plan. The total contract scope is \$212,300 for the three-year engagement.

This action is fundamental to the strategic planning process and was recommended by the Planning Committee at their July meeting.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

FINANCING:

The contract total of \$212,300 will be split over multiple fiscal years and be funded through annual budget recommendations in all Agency Funds.

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Attachments:

1. DRAFT Agreement for Services
2. Baker Tilly's Proposed Work Plan, June 2024
3. Board Order