



Item #09-5-6
Action

Land Use & Housing Committee

April 30, 2009

Approve Consultant Contract with Stacey McKinley

Issue: Whether or not to approve the consultant contract with Stacey McKinley.

Recommendation: That the Land Use & Housing Committee recommend to the Board that Stacey McKinley's contract for work on the Rural Urban Connections Strategy (RUCS) be approved.

Discussion: Stacey McKinley has been a core member of the RUCS project team since project initiation. This contract for \$205,000 will extend her current level of involvement through September 30, 2010. Ms. McKinley has conducted a variety of tasks for SACOG. For the past few months, at the direction of the Board, she has been SACOG's primary point of contact with the Army Corps of Engineers to negotiate the terms of the Six-County Aquatic Resources Inventory (SCARI). She has worked directly with the top staff in Washington, D.C. and the Sacramento region on this issue. The Corps has now funded the start up of this six-county project for \$200,000. The total project is approximately \$2 million and expected to be completed in the fall of 2010. Among other tasks this contract will enable Ms. McKinley to be SACOG's point of contact to monitor the successful implementation of SCARI. She will also continue her work on a number of other tasks, including assisting with county Habitat Conservation Plans, the SACOG NEPA streamlining project, and federal and state regulatory issues that impact our rural economies. Funding for this contract is from the Boxer earmark, and the scope of services is attached.

Approved by:

Mike McKeever
Executive Director

Attachment

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SCOPE OF SERVICES

Tasks to be Completed

Regulatory Reform Work:

Play lead role for SACOG in negotiating terms of, and participating in the implementation of, the Six-County Aquatic Resources Inventory (SCARI) with the US Army Corps of Engineers.

1. Represent SACOG's interests on the Leadership and all subcommittees of the Inventory
 - a. Oversee development and implementation of full Scope of Work, ensuring that the interests of local land use authority are maintained.
 - b. Work with local interests to determine the most regionally appropriate list of qualitative and quantitative indices for the categorization and qualification stages of the Inventory.
 - c. Work with regional HCP partners to ensure that Scope of Work is, to the extent practicable, aligned to support the needs of the individual HCP timelines and policy and funding needs.
- (2) Assist Corps and all partners of the Inventory in establishing community buy in.
 - i. Work to facilitate and implement policy and fiduciary coordination with the Corps' federal and state partners.
 - ii. Work to facilitate Corps' full use of its chain of civilian command to ensure that oversight is given to the Inventory
- b. Continue to help SACOG member agencies with the regulatory reform initiative with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and other federal and state agencies, including:
 - (1) permitting processes that assist with public infrastructure and land use projects that help to implement Blueprint
 - (2) assisting SACOG member agencies to successfully implement planning mechanisms (HCPs, NCCPs, SAMPs, etc.) that address these issues more comprehensively over the long-term

- (3) identifying funding for data development of data and maps that will support the Rural Urban Connections Study (RUCS) project

Period of Performance

The contract will expire September 30, 2010.

Compensation

SACOG shall compensate Contractor at an hourly rate of \$200 for work performed, for an amount not to exceed \$190,000. SACOG shall reimburse Contractor for up to \$15,000 in documented direct costs. Total cost shall not exceed \$205,000.

All other terms and conditions regarding payment of compensation, including but not limited to Section 5 (Consideration) and Section 6 (Reporting and Payment) shall apply.