



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Brian M. Balbas, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer  
Date: December 15, 2020

Subject: Approve Contract with Watershed Resources Consulting for Stormwater Quality Services

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Chief Engineer, Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, or designee, to execute, on behalf of the Contra Costa Clean Water Program, a contract with Watershed Resources Consulting, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 for Countywide stormwater quality services necessary to comply with federal and state stormwater permit requirements issued under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit, for the period January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024, Countywide.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

All costs associated with this contract will not exceed \$400,000 and will be funded 100% by Stormwater Utility Assessment fees collected by the Cities/Towns and County, proportional to their respective populations.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Contra Costa Clean Water Program (the “CCCWP”) consists of Contra Costa County, its 19 incorporated cities/towns and the Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (hereinafter referred to collectively as “Permittees”). The CCCWP

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☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **12/15/2020** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: December 15, 2020

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Stacey M. Boyd, Deputy

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cc:

was established in 1991 through a Program Agreement in response to the 1987 amendments to

## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

the federal Clean Water Act (the “CWA”), which established a framework for regulating municipal stormwater discharges under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (“NPDES”) Permit Program. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (the “USEPA”) published final rules implementing the 1987 CWA amendments in November 1990. The rules mandate that Permittees obtain and implement stormwater permits designed to reduce and eliminate the discharge of pollutants into and from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (the “MS4s”) they own and operate. Through the CCCWP, Permittees conduct many of the mandated activities collectively (referred to as “Group Activities”), such as water quality monitoring, special studies, and public education. The roles and responsibilities of the CCCWP and Permittees are outlined in the Contra Costa Clean Water Program Agreement, which was last updated and adopted by all Permittees in June 2010. The current San Francisco Bay Region Municipal Regional Stormwater NPDES Permit No. CAS612008, Order R2-2015-0049 (“Permit”), was issued in November of 2015.

The CCCWP Permittees request to retain Watershed Resources Consulting to plan, coordinate and administer mandated stormwater quality management activities as required by the NPDES permit. Watershed Resources Consulting assists the Program by negotiating permit requirements, attending various stakeholder meetings on behalf of Permittees, preparing written responses to the Regional Water Quality Control Board and completing other activities related to the re-issuance and implementation of NPDES permit.

## CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without the approval of the Board of Supervisors, the CCCWP, 19 Cities and Towns, Contra Costa County, and the Flood Control District will be unable to meet the outreach requirements set forth by the San Francisco Bay Region Municipal Regional Stormwater NPDES Permit No. CAS612008, Order R2-2015-0049