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County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department
Date: December 8, 2015

Subject: Contract Amendment to Extend the Term Limit with Cardno for the Preparation of an EIR for the Shell Greenhouse Gas Reduction Project

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Conservation and Development Director, or designee, to execute a contract extension with Cardno to extend the term of the Contract from December 31, 2015 through December 31, 2016, with no change in the payment limit, to provide continued service for the completion of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Shell Martinez Refinery's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Project (County File #LP14-2006).

FISCAL IMPACT:

No impact to the General Fund. All application, environmental review, and project processing costs and fees to be paid by the project applicant.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Conservation and Development (Department) received an application from Shell Oil Products U.S. (Shell) for a Land Use Permit for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Project (County File #LP14-2006) at its Martinez refinery, which will require physical and operational changes to several of the refinery's hydrocarbon processing units. The Department of Conservation and Development determined that this project required the preparation of an environmental impact report (EIR) pursuant to the California

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **12/08/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, 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 8, 2015

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

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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cc:

Environmental Quality Act. The County solicited qualified independent contractors to prepare the EIR for the project, and Contract #47772 was awarded to Cardno. Cardno is currently preparing the EIR document. This contract is due to expire on December 31, 2015. The Department previously halted work on the EIR at the request of Shell. Shell has now asked the Department to proceed and the Department is recommending a change in contract term to allow sufficient time to complete the work.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the contract amendment is not approved, the contractor will be unable to complete the environmental review for the pending application.