



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Contra Costa County Flood Control District Board of Supervisors

From: Brian M. Balbas, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer

Date: December 8, 2020

Subject: Contract Amendment with Environmental Science Associates, Martinez Area. Project No. 7520-6B8285

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Chief Engineer, Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (FC District), or designee, to execute a contract amendment with Environmental Science Associates (Contractor), effective November 17, 2020, to increase the payment limit by \$300,000 to a new payment limit of \$1,950,000, to continue providing services to the FC District in connection with the Lower Walnut Creek (LWC) Restoration Project, and to extend the termination date from January 31, 2021 to January 31, 2022, Martinez area.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This phase of the project is funded by a combination of Flood Control Zone 3B (Walnut Creek watershed) funds and grant funds from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW). (51% Flood Control District Zone 3B Funds, 32.5% CDFW Proposition 1 Grant Funds, and 16.5% EPA San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Funds)

**BACKGROUND:**

The LWC Restoration Project proposes to restore and enhance up to approximately 200

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **12/08/2020** ☒ 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 8, 2020

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

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acres of tidal wetlands and associated habitat along 3 miles of the most downstream portion

### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

of Walnut Creek and its tributary Pacheco Creek, near the southern shore of Suisun Bay. The Project goals are to provide ecosystem benefits, sustainable flood protection, and opportunities for future public access through the Project area.

The Contractor has been assisting the FC District with environmental compliance, regulatory permitting, and design of the LWC project. Regulatory permitting has been especially challenging, and efforts to secure the seven needed regulatory permits have taken much longer and have required a much larger effort than originally anticipated. Additional geotechnical complexities in the design have also necessitated additional contractor effort. These additional efforts require an amendment to the original contract.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without the approval of this agreement by the Board of Supervisors, the FC District will not be able to complete its design, permitting, and CEQA services phase of the LWC Restoration Project.