

# Agenda Report



**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, May 14, 2024

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR LINDBERG  
ASST. PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR GREEN

**THROUGH:** CITY MANAGER MENDEZ

**SUBJECT:** APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND  
ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR THE CORRALITOS CREEK  
WATER INTAKE AND FISH LADDER EMERGENCY REPAIRS  
PROJECT, AND AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO AWARD AND  
EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST  
RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE

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## RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a resolution approving the plans and specifications and advertising for bids for the Corralitos Creek Water Intake and Fish Ladder Emergency Repairs Project, and authorize City Manager to award and execute a contract with the lowest responsive, responsible bidder in an amount not to exceed \$525,000.

## BACKGROUND:

Storm events during the winter of 2023 damaged the in-stream areas in the vicinity of the City's Corralitos Creek Intake and Fish Ladder. The Federal Emergency Management Agency declared the storms a federal emergency, and since that time, staff has been working with FEMA to complete the emergency repairs required to restore the various City-owned, storm-damaged areas throughout the City.

## DISCUSSION:

The Corralitos Creek Intake and Fish Ladder repairs due to the 2023 storms have not been completed yet. Due to widespread damage to various in-stream facilities in California from the same and similar declared disasters, obtaining specialized design expertise following the flooding was extremely difficult. Design for the immediate repairs was contracted to Waterways Consulting, Inc, an in-stream design expert. The plans and specifications have been prepared and are ready to procure a contractor to complete the emergency storm repairs.

The current FEMA deadline to complete execution of the emergency repairs is July 15, 2024. Staff is in process of requesting a time extension with FEMA/CalOES to complete this project

which may extend beyond the required July 15<sup>th</sup> date. However, due to the emergency nature of the work and in an effort to attempt to meet the completion deadline, staff is requesting a streamlined procurement process in which Council authorizes bidding of the project and at the same time authorizes and directs City Manager to execute a contract with the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for an amount not to exceed \$525,000. This would allow a contractor to mobilize and begin the repair work as soon as possible.

Major areas of work include:

- Installation of diversion dikes to route water flow around area of construction, utilizing existing Corralitos Filter Plant intake piping.
- Relocation of any required fish to mitigate impact to threatened or endangered species.
- Removal of debris and damaged stream bed features.
- Repair/replace/reinforce energy dissipators downstream of intake spillway apron.
- Repair/restore downstream weir and channel.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

The project supports Strategic Plan Goal:

2-Infrastructure & Environment

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

FEMA will cover up to 75% of the emergency repair costs to restore the infrastructure damaged in the 2023 storm events. The remaining 25% will need to be paid by the City. There is sufficient budget available in the Water Enterprise Fund to cover the City's portion of the repair.

**ALTERNATIVE ACTION:**

No reasonable alternative known at this time. Council could elect to only approve plans and specifications and require staff to return to award the emergency repair contract to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. Doing so would likely cause the repair completion to extend well past the July 15<sup>th</sup> deadline, thereby potentially jeopardizing the FEMA reimbursement of repair costs.

**ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (If any):**

None.