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# NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Gitelman, Hillary - Director

Planning, Building and Environmental Services

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SUBJECT: Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 7716 with Horizon Water and Environment for preperation of

the Oakville to Oak Knoll Restoration Project CEQA Document

#### RECOMMENDATION

Director of Planning, Building and Environmental Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chairman to sign Amendment No.1 to Agreement No. 7716 with Horizon Water and Environment increasing the amount by \$13,794 for a new maximum of \$110,593 and amending the scope of work to include additional consulting services related to evaluation of California freshwater shrimp habitat at the project sites and potential mitigation requirements for the Napa River Oakville to Oak Knoll Restoration Project.

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In April 2011, the California Land Stewardship Institute (CLSI) with Phillip Williams & Associates (now known as ESA PWA) and the Napa County Resource Conservation District completed the Napa River Restoration: Oakville to Oak Knoll Project Final Concept Plan (Concept Plan). The Concept Plan identified potential restoration and enhancement areas for the 9.5 mile stretch of the Napa River between Oakville Crossroad and Oak Knoll Avenue (Oakville to Oak Knoll).

On January 31, 2012, the Board approved Agreement No. 7716 with Horizon Water and Environment LLC, to prepare an environmental document under the California Environmental Quality Act for the Oakville to Oak Knoll Restoration Project. The proposed amendment to the Agreement modifies the scope of work to include additional consulting services relating to mapping potential California freshwater shrimp habitat within the project reach to determine potential project impacts and appropriate mitigation requirements.

# FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes

Is it currently budgeted? No

What is the revenue source? Measure A Funds

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: The Project is a Measure "A" approved activity in the County unincorporated

area and is being funded by grants matched by the County using Measure "A" funds. The landowner project proponents have indicated their willingness to

be involved in this project.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: The balance of the approved funding not spent on environmental review this

fiscal year will be carried forward into the following year.

Consequences if not approved: Potential loss of grant monies, landowner involvement, investment in

conceptual design as well as further degradation of the Napa River can occur.

Additional Information:

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

# **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The California Land Stewardship Institute (CLSI) obtained a \$500,000 grant form the State of California to complete a Conceptual Plan for the 9.5 mile Oakville Crossroad to Oak Knoll Avenue Project in 2006. The County matched this grant with funds from Measure "A". The Conceptual Plan has been completed and a landowner kickoff meeting was held in July 2011 with the participating landowners who have project improvements planned for their properties.

The funds to conduct environmental review are included in the Public Works Projects budget funded by from Measure "A". The County will oversee final design and construction of the Project in phases. CLSI will provide landowner liaison services to work with the approximately 15 property owners whose properties are included in the Project. Final design of Phase 1 of the Project, which extends from Oakville Crossroad to Yountville Crossroad and associated eradication of invasive Arundo donax has been funded by a \$395,000 grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, matched with Measure "A" funds.

Approval of Amendment No. 1 of Professional Service Agreement No. 7716 with Horizon Water and Environment, LLC to support additional environmental studies necessary to complete the environmental review is requested. The OVOK design team ESA PWA is advancing the concept design to the 30% level and in doing so identified potential impacts to California freshwater shrimp habitat, which need to be evaluated to determine appropriate project mitigation requirements.

### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan