

SOQ Continued CV-SALTS Projects Executive Committee Procurement Recommendations Calendared for Approval 7/10/2015

Background

On November 7, 2014 the Executive Committee authorized release of a Request for Qualifications for the remainder of CV-SALTS technical work. On December 19th two responsive Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) were received. Larry Walker and Associates Team and CDM Smith both submitted a SOQ.

A Selection Committee was assembled to review and rank the qualifications and proposal. The committee included:

1. Casey Creamer, So San Joaquin Valley Water Quality Coalition
2. David Cory, San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority
3. Debbie Webster, Central Valley Clean Water Association
4. Daniel Cozad, Central Valley Salinity Coalition
5. Glenn Meeks, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
6. Pam Buford, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
7. Joe McGahan, Contract Manager Drainage Authority

The committee reviewed the SOQs and proposals based on a review and scoring format. Many members provided scores that were used as one guide of ranking the firms/teams. Scores were tabulated and reviewed by the team along with observations and comments from the proposals. A conference call was held on 1/21/15 for the Selection Committee to review their scoring and discuss their selections recommendations. There was consistent consensus of the reviewers both in scoring and final ranking. The Drainage Authority also reviewed the proposals and concurred with the group's recommendations. Based on the committee's recommendation, the Executive Committee on February 20, 2015 accepted both Larry Walker and Associates and CDM Smith Statements of Qualifications as qualified firms which should receive proposals requests from CV-SALTS for work on the remaining CV-SALTS Project listed in Attachment A of the request.

Remaining Projects

Based on the acceptance of the two SOQs, planning was continued to procure the remaining tasks shown below.

Implementation Planning

- Nitrate Implementation Measures Study \$100,000

Conceptual Model

- Conduct Economic Analysis \$300,000
- Perform Antidegradation Analysis \$100,000

Plan Documentation

- CEQA Substitute Environmental Document and Basin Plan Staff report \$ 300,000

In order to determine which projects would require alternate Technical Project Manager Services (those that CDM Smith would propose on) we solicited both firms interest in the remaining work. In a formalized request both teams' submitted letters identifying the projects they intended to propose upon and which ones they would not. There was no overlap in the projects that each team was willing to propose upon and therefore there was no reason to conduct a competitive procurement further.

Because the project costs are set in the budget, involving the contractors in developing the scopes of work so that they can give us the most they can do for the budget available is prudent. Additionally, significant value can be achieved in closely coordinating these last tasks closely and having the Regional Board staff very involved in scoping.

After informal discussion with the Regional Board Contract Manager and Drainage Authority Contract Manager, we proposed this procurement approach to the Section Committee. Upon review the Selection Committee approved and recommended approval be requested from the Executive Committee.

The Selection Committee recommends the Executive Committee approve the approach for the final procurement efforts for CV-SALTS technical efforts and request CVSC Executive Director, the Drainage Authority and Regional Board Staff work with the consultants to review and coordinate project scopes and propose work plans (proposals) in accordance with the existing budgets to the contractors as indicated below:

Implementation Planning

- Nitrate Implementation Measures Study \$100,000 to CDM Smith

Conceptual Model

- Conduct Economic Analysis \$300,000 to LWA team
- Perform Antidegradation Analysis \$100,000 to LWA team

Plan Documentation

- CEQA Substitute Environmental Document and Basin Plan Staff report \$ 300,000 to CDM Smith