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	District No. 2	Joint Administration	Technical Support	Joint Outfall System	Solid Waste System	Stormwater
Operations & Maintenance	<u>\$46,419</u>	\$4,359,135	\$5,203,406	\$24,989,885	\$8,636,383	<u>\$9,446</u>
Capital Allocated Expenses:		<u>346,097</u>	<u>276,201</u>	15,562,371	490,398	
Joint Administration						
Joint Outfall				4,571,643	1,707,451	
Technical Support				<u>4,322,105</u>	<u>244,475</u>	
Total Expenses:	<u>\$46,419</u>	<u>\$4,705,232</u>	<u>\$5,479,607</u>	<u>\$49,446,004</u>	<u>\$11,078,707</u>	<u>\$9,446</u>

4. Accept Contract No. 4585 and Order Final Payment to USS Cal Builders, Inc., for Construction of *Puente Hills Intermodal Facility and Railroad Improvements* (Project); Resulting in Total Contract Amount of \$105,196,605.61

Summary: The Project consisted of the construction of an intermodal yard and modifications to approximately 3.5 miles of Union Pacific Railroad corridor to accommodate unit trains bound for Mesquite Regional Landfill. The Project also included construction of two railroad bridges, approximately 2 miles of retaining walls, vehicle crossing improvements and an access road, office and maintenance buildings, and a railroad maintenance yard. A total of \$26,613,877.61 in change orders were approved for this Project.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Report on Bids and Award of Order to Furnish and Deliver Cationic Emulsion Polymer for Dewatering Sludge

Summary: Valencia Water Reclamation Plant uses cationic emulsion polymer for biosolids dewatering. The Districts solicited bids to furnish and deliver cationic emulsion polymer for a three-year period with the option of two 1-year renewals. Two vendors expressed interest and participated in the qualification process, and Polydyne, Inc. was the lowest responsive bidder. The bid summary/recommendation to award is attached. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principles of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness).

2. Authorize Issuance of Purchase Orders as Follows:

- (a) To Horizons Construction Company Int’l., Inc., in Amount of Approximately \$134,444 for Joint Outfall J – Unit 1F Force Main Guard Rails

Summary: The Joint Outfall J – Unit 1F force mains consist of two parallel pipelines that run aboveground along the shoulder of Palos Verdes Drive South for approximately 7,200 feet. The force mains convey raw sewage and include valves to isolate segments of the pipelines for maintenance and emergency response. Only 6 of a total of 16 of these valves have guard rails that protect them from vehicular collision. The remaining 10 valves require guard rails to improve protection of the pipeline and minimize the risk of a sanitary sewer overflow caused by a valve being damaged by vehicular collisions. Pursuant to authority previously granted by the Board, the project will be completed utilizing the Job Order Contracting Program, which relies on pre-established competitively bid construction tasks that will accelerate project delivery and reduce administration and design costs. Staff has determined that the Project is exempt or otherwise not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21080 (b)(4) and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (“CEQA Guidelines”) Section 15301. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principle to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs.

- (b) To APGN Inc., dba APG-Neuros (APGN) in Amount of Approximately \$456,000 for High-Speed Turbo Blower and Associated Equipment at Pomona Water Reclamation Plant (WRP)

Summary: Process air compressors (PACs) provide compressed air for biological treatment, which is critical for compliant WRP operation. In 2021, the Board authorized issuance of a purchase order to APGN for a turbo blower to replace one of three PACs, original to the plant, which had failed and reached the end of its useful life. The new turbo blower, which was uniquely constructed with an integrated electrical transformer that allowed it to fit within the existing footprint, has been successfully commissioned and has been in operation since February 2023. Staff recommends purchase of a second turbo blower to replace one of the two remaining original PACs in order to match the turbo blower in operation and ensure adequate redundancy and resiliency for biological treatment. APGN is the only supplier that has turbo blowers that meet the District’s needs and that are operating in wastewater treatment facilities within the United States.

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This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness).

- (c) To Rite-Way Roofing Corporation in Amount of Approximately \$134,089.89 for *Replacement of Non-Slip Surface Coating System for Walkway* at Carson Field Office (CFO)

Summary: The pedestrian walkways for the CFO were constructed in 2014 and subsequently coated with a non-slip surface coating system for safety purposes. The non-slip surface coating system has exceeded its useful life expectancy and now requires a complete replacement. Pursuant to authority previously granted by the Board, the project will be completed utilizing the Job Order Contracting Program, which relies on pre-established competitively bid construction tasks that will accelerate project delivery and reduce administration and design costs. Staff has determined that the Project is exempt or otherwise not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations ("CEQA Guidelines") Section 15301. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs.

3. Authorize Extension of Purchase Order to Hill Brothers Chemical Company (Hill Brothers) in Amount of Approximately \$966,400 to Furnish and Deliver Ammonium Hydroxide Solution to Various Water Reclamation Plants (WRPs)

Summary: In June 2019, subsequent to competitive bidding, the Board authorized issuance of a purchase order to Hill Brothers to furnish and deliver ammonium hydroxide to the WRPs for one year. Ammonium hydroxide is used in the disinfection process of the treated wastewater. The specifications allow for four 1-year extensions based upon mutual agreement. In accordance with the specification, Hill Brothers has offered to extend the agreement with a price decrease of \$0.16 per gallon (the new price is \$1.51 per gallon vs. the previous price of \$1.67 per gallon); this is the fourth and final one-year extension. This price decrease is consistent with ammonia market costs. It would be in the best interest of the Districts to extend the agreement at this time. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness).

4. Authorize Payment to Aon Risk Services, Inc., (Aon) in Amount of \$1,650,624 for Renewal of Districts' Fire and Theft Insurance Coverage with Travelers Insurance (Travelers), Seneca Specialty Insurance Company (Seneca), Landmark American (Landmark), Arch Specialty (Arch) and Lexington for One-Year Period

Summary: The proposed insurance provides coverage for the majority of the Districts' buildings and contents, with a combined valuation of approximately \$614 million, with a \$100,000 deductible, and additional \$10,000,000 for business interruption coverage. Aon, the Districts' broker, requested quotes from 15 carriers. Only the current insurers responded with acceptable quotes. The overall average cost per \$100 in valuation is approximately 14 percent higher than last year's premium. All but six facilities are covered under one policy issued by Travelers up to the full value of those facilities. The Valencia Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) is insured under policies issued by Seneca, Landmark, Arch and Lexington with a combined coverage limit of \$20 million. The Puente Hills Material Recovery Facility (PHMRF) is covered under a separate Travelers policy with a coverage limit of \$20 million. Compared to the primary Travelers policy, Valencia WRP and PHMRF policies cost significantly more per insured value and are limited in coverage due to fire risk at those facilities. Four District facilities are not covered under these policies: two facilities are self-insured and two have separate policies that renew in December. Insurance premiums continue to rise due to increased risks, especially for wildfires, combined with increasing construction costs. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship.

5. Re: Construction of *Joint Administration Office Building Access Improvements* (Project)

(a) Approve [Release Agreement](#) with ARC Construction, Inc., Related to Contract No. 5525

(b) Terminate for Convenience Contract No. 5525 with ARC Construction, Inc.; Resulting in Total Contract Amount of \$0

Summary: The Project consists of the installation of walkways, safety barriers, an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramp and other modifications to the main entrance, asphalt paving, and landscaping improvements to increase the safety of employees and visitors at the Joint Administration Office. After the Project was awarded and the contract documents had been fully executed, it was discovered that the contractor had made an error in their bid by not accounting for the abnormal working day requirements specified for this Project. The contractor indicated that without a change to the working day requirements, they could not commit to completing the Project for the contracted amount and requested to be released from the contract. A review of the contract documents by staff and legal counsel determined that although the working day requirements are included in the specifications, they could have easily been misconstrued, as was the case. Since physical construction had yet to begin, staff and legal counsel determined that it would be in the Districts' best interest for the contractor to execute a *Release Agreement* to formally settle all matters, terminate the contract for convenience, modify the

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specifications with regard to working day requirements, and rebid the Project. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness).

6. Re: Calabasas Landfill

- (a) Approve [*Amended and Restated Calabasas Landfill Joint Powers Agreement*](#) (Agreement) with County of Los Angeles (County)
- (b) Authorize Chief Engineer and General Manager (Chief Engineer) to Execute Agreement and Incorporate Any Minor Revisions Requested by County
- (c) Introduce *An Ordinance Prescribing Fee and Charge Rates for Solid Waste Management Activities at the Calabasas Landfill* and Waive Reading of Ordinance in its Entirety

Summary: The Calabasas Landfill (CALF) is owned by the County and operated by the Districts under a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) approved in 1966 that has been amended six times to reflect changes in the responsibilities of the County and the Districts. The Districts and the County have negotiated the proposed Agreement, which consolidates the original JPA and all previous amendments into a single document. Under the terms of the Agreement, the Districts will continue to operate the landfill at the County's sole cost until the landfill closes and will not be responsible for post-closure maintenance or development. Additionally, as requested by the County, the Agreement will transfer rate-setting responsibility to the Districts to allow for more efficient rate setting and will create two additional post-closure funds requested by the County. The Agreement is pending final review by the County's Chief Executive Office and minor revisions may be requested in the coming weeks prior to approval by the Board of Supervisors. Authorizing the Chief Engineer to execute the Agreement and incorporate any minor revisions will expedite its implementation and avoid further delays. The proposed ordinance, which is required because the Districts is taking over rate-setting responsibility, specifies the current tipping fee rates at CALF. The rate ordinance would go into effect the day after the County approves the Agreement and repeals its own rate ordinance for CALF. In the future, when a rate adjustment is deemed necessary by the Districts and the County, a new rate ordinance will be adopted by the Districts. Staff has determined that approval of the Agreement does not constitute a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21065 and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations ("CEQA Guidelines") Section 15378. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle of commitment to continual improvement.

7. Approve Settlement with District Employee Hector Cardenas and Authorize District Counsel to Execute Compromise and Release in Connection with Pending Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Proceedings

Summary: During employment with the Districts, Hector Cardenas sustained an injury to left hip and other parts of the body after falling off a truck. Hector Cardenas' attorney and District Counsel have agreed on a proposed settlement in the form of Compromise and Release in the amount of \$150,000. Approximately \$90,000 is required for future medical care. The remaining approximately \$60,000 represents the settlement amount for permanent disability. District Counsel believes the settlement is cost effective and recommends that the proposed settlement be approved.

Adjourn

Status Report:

Prior to or during the meeting session, the Chief Engineer and General Manager may update the Directors on various matters concerning the Districts that may be of current interest to the Directors.

Public Comment:

Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on any item shown on the agenda or matter under the Board's authority. A "Request to Address Board of Directors" form is available. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you require special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Secretary to the Boards' Office (562) 908-4288, extension 1100. Notification of 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable staff to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. (28CFR 35.101 et seq. ADA Title II).

Document Requests:

Links to supporting documents are available online at the time of posting. Agendas and supporting documents or other writings that will be distributed to Board members in connection with matters subject to discussion or consideration at this meeting that are not exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act are available for inspection following the posting of this agenda at the office of the Secretary to the Boards of Directors located at the Districts' Joint Administration Building, 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California, 90601, or at the time of the meeting at the address posted on this agenda.

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COUNTY SANITATION
DISTRICT NO. 2 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

RE: AGENDA ITEM NO. R-1

FOR BOARD MEETING JULY 12, 2023

BIDS were received at the District Office on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

FOR FURNISH AND DELIVER CATIONIC EMULSION POLYMER FOR DEWATERING SLUDGE

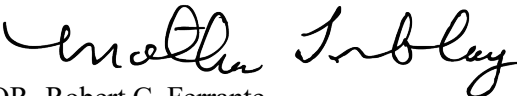
No. of Bids Received: 2

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>TOTAL BID AMOUNT</u>
Polydyne, Inc.	\$459,391.32
Solenis, LLC.	497,408.58

RECOMMENDATION:

Award purchase order to Polydyne, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in the amount of approximately \$459,391.32 to furnish and deliver cationic emulsion polymer for dewatering sludge.

Engineer's Estimate: \$450,000.00


FOR Robert C. Ferrante
Chief Engineer and
General Manager

**AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING FEE AND CHARGE RATES
FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES
AT THE CALABASAS LANDFILL**

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1 SHORT TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known as the *Calabasas Landfill Solid Waste Rate Ordinance*.

SECTION 2 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish the fee and charge rates prescribed by County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County for the Calabasas Landfill, and to provide for customer credit agreements.

SECTION 3 FEES AND CHARGES

The following fee and charge rates are hereby prescribed for the Calabasas Landfill, effective 30 days following the adoption of this Ordinance or at midnight on the day following amendment by the County of Los Angeles of County Code Section 12.48.050 to delete all references to tipping fee rates for the Calabasas Landfill, whichever comes later:

Municipal Solid and Inert Waste (1-ton minimum)	\$ 60.32	per ton
Hard-to-Handle, Bulky Items (1-ton minimum)	\$ 70.32	per ton
Tires	\$ 165.56	per ton
Special Handling	\$ 70.32	per ton
Pull-offs	\$ 47.75	per load

SECTION 4 UNCOVERED LOADS AND NON-MANIFESTED TIRE LOADS

A surcharge of \$4.40 per ton, subject to a minimum charge of \$4.40 per load, will be charged with respect to all uncovered loads capable of producing litter.

A surcharge of \$4.40 per ton, subject to a minimum charge of \$4.40 per load, will be charged with respect to all non-manifested tire loads.

SECTION 5 RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

5.1 The District's Chief Engineer and General Manager shall have the authority to adjust any fee or charge rate for the acceptance of materials determined to be of benefit to the operation of the facility, or which would promote solid waste management alternatives. These materials may include but are not restricted to dirt suitable for cover material; segregated shredded or unshredded organic material suitable for composting, cover material, or recycling; broken asphaltic concrete; various other recyclable materials; and like substances.

5.2 The Chief Engineer shall determine the materials and services that are eligible for a rate adjustment and the amount of the rate adjustment. The Chief Engineer shall make the determination in writing, and it will be made available to members of the public on request.

SECTION 6 CREDIT AGREEMENTS

The Chief Engineer may offer credit agreements to solid waste facility customers for payment of fees and charges. The Chief Engineer shall establish and enforce policies for administration of credit agreements, subject to all applicable laws and regulations.

SECTION 7 COLLECTION OF FEES PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

All fees and charges specified in Section 3 of this Ordinance include an amount necessary to cover fees required pursuant to Sections 48000 through 48008 of the Public Resources Code (imposed by the State of California under Section 48000), Sections 40900 through 41956 of the Public Resources Code (imposed by the County of Los Angeles under Section 41901), and Sections 43200 through 43610.1 of the Public Resources Code (imposed by the County of Los Angeles under Section 43213).

SECTION 8 COLLECTION OF FEES AND TAXES PURSUANT TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY ORDINANCES

All fees and charges specified in this Ordinance include an amount necessary to collect fees imposed by local, state, and federal agencies with jurisdiction over the Calabasas Landfill.

SECTION 9 COLLECTION OF REVISED OR NEW FEES AND TAXES

The District's Chief Engineer and General Manager shall have the authority to increase or decrease, as appropriate and at any time, any fees and charges specified in Sections 3, 4, or 5 of this Ordinance by an amount estimated to equal any revision in the fees or taxes specified in Sections 7 and 8 of this Ordinance, or by an amount estimated to equal any mandatory new fees or taxes imposed by federal, state, or local government which must be paid by County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County as operator of the Calabasas Landfill.

SECTION 10 SUPERSESSION

This Ordinance shall supersede and replace any financial obligations, fees or charges relating to waste disposal and solid waste management activities at the Calabasas Landfill imposed pursuant to the *Sanitation District No. 2 Solid Waste Materials Recovery, Transfer, and Disposal Facility Fee and Charge Rate Ordinance* adopted September 22, 2004, amended July 1, 2005.

SECTION 11 EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective as provided in Section 3 above.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Directors
County Sanitation District No. 2
of Los Angeles County

Chairperson, Board of Directors
County Sanitation District No. 2
of Los Angeles County

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County on _____, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Secretary of the Board of Directors
County Sanitation District No. 2
of Los Angeles County

