



Engineering Services Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: 11 February 2025

Hurricane Helene Debris Removal Management

ISM Support Services- Supplement 1

RFP 22-304

File Reference: 24-014 (A)

Department:	Engineering & Environmental Services
Presenter:	Dr. Hameed Malik
Caption:	Approve supplement funding (SA1) in amount not to exceed \$874,319.88 for Hurricane Helene debris removal coordination support services with Infrastructure Systems Management, LLC. Also approve use General Fund-fund balance to fund these services. AE/22-304
Background:	Hurricane Helene passed through Augusta-Richmond (ARC) last week (September 26-27, 2024). The entire ARC service area was severely impacted. Hurricane strength winds caused significant trees and infrastructure damage. Emergency Protective Measures response was initiated immediately utilizing contractors that are under contract with Augusta, Georgia providing services either as on-call contract services or capital infrastructure improvements construction services. In addition, one on-call Emergency Engineering Professional firm/ Infrastructure Systems Management, LLC (ISM) was engaged too for assisting Augusta Engineering coordination debris removal operation. Emergency Protective measures later transitioned to Disaster debris removal/Category A and ISM support services continued to ensure time & cost efficient coordination of debris removal & monitoring contractors and documentation of debris activities per FEMA requirements. In addition ISM coordinated communication and meeting with contractors and FEMA assigned Augusta area project manager.
Analysis:	The magnitude of the disaster is beyond the capacity of routine maintenance resources. Timely emergency protective measures are critical to protect public health & safety and ensure receiving federal financial assistance available for such purposes. Continuity ISM support services is essential for effective management of daily filed operations, correct information flow to the Augusta elected official, Citizen & Media, relevant federal agencies meeting and request for information, debris volume estimation and documentation, etc. Supplemental funded is needed to cover cost of ISM services beyond emergency protective activities support. ISM is providing

service under Augusta Engineering & Environmental Services on-call Professional Services Contract (RFP 22-304).

Financial Impact:

Funds – General Fund fund-balance.

Alternatives:

N/A

Recommendation:

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Funds are available in the following accounts:

(\$874,319.88) General Fund-fund balance - 220041252-52.2111 / 814000003-52.21111

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

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