Contract No. CVAG-22-002-02 Project: ATP – Arts and Music Line

AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO TO THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CVAG AND THE CITY OF COACHELLA FOR THE ATP – ARTS AND MUSIC LINE

This **AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO** is made and entered into this 4th day of December 2023, by and between the **Coachella Valley Association of Governments**, a California joint powers agency (CVAG), the **City of Coachella** (Agency) and is made with reference to the following background facts and circumstances. All other terms and conditions shall remain the same as stated in the original agreement dated September 30, 2019 for the ATP – Arts and Music Line Project.

- 1. This Amendment Number Two extends the term of the contract to December 31, 2025.
- 2. This Amendment Number Two authorizes the scope of services in accordance with the attached Anser Advisory Management, LLC Technical and Fee Proposal for the not-to-exceed amount of \$509,333, including 20 percent contingency, to provide preconstruction and construction management services.
- 3. This Amendment Number Two authorizes the scope of services in accordance with the attached T. Y. Lin International Technical and Fee Proposal for the not-to-exceed amount of \$50,000 to provide supplemental pre-construction and construction management services.
- 4. This Amendment Number Two authorizes the scope of services in accordance with the attached Chen Ryan Associates, Inc. Technical and Fee Proposal for the not-to-exceed amount of \$934,730, including 20 percent contingency, to provide professional engineering and public outreach services.
- 5. This Amendment Number Two increases CVAG's Regional Share to \$3,964,470, and the Local Share to \$1,321,490.
- 6. This Amendment Number Two authorizes CVAG to amend the cost-sharing agreements between CVAG and the Cities of La Quinta, Indio and Coachella for design costs related to the ATP Arts and Music Line, by adding \$1,494,063 to the total costs for a revised total of \$5,285,960 which represents an additional \$1,120,547 totaling \$3,964,470 for the 75 percent CVAG share and an additional \$373,516 totaling \$1,321,490 for the 25 percent local share.

		Amendment Amount	Regional <u>Share</u>	Local <u>Share</u>
Original Contract Amendment Number One Amendment Number Two	September 30, 2019 December 5, 2022 December 4, 2023	\$2,731,897 \$1,060,000 \$ <u>1,494,063</u>	\$2,048,923 \$795,000 <u>\$1,120,547</u>	\$682,974 \$265,000 <u>\$1,321,490</u>
Total Contract not-to-exce	ed	\$5,285,960	\$3,964,470	\$1,321,490

Based on the revised additional \$373,503 to the local share, the revised 25 percent local share which totals \$1,321,478 per this amendment will be split between the cities of La Quinta, Coachella and Indio as follows:

<u>La Quinta</u> \$330,372	<u>Indio</u> \$885,398	<u>Coachella</u> \$105,719	Total Local <u>Share (25%)</u> \$1,321,490
25%	67%	8%	100%

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The parties hereto have caused this **Amendment Number Two** to be executed by their duly authorized representatives on the above-reference date.

ATTEST	CITY OF COACHELLA
By: Gabriel Martin, City Manager	By: Steven Hernandez, Mayor
APPROVED AS TO FORM	
By: Carlos Campos, City Attorney	
ATTEST	COACHELLA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
By: Tom Kirk, CVAG Executive Director	By: Scott Matas, CVAG Chair

Attachment A-1

Anser Advisory Management, LLC Technical and Fee Proposal

Section 4: Work Plan



UNDERSTANDING OF SPECIAL ISSUES (IV)

Construction Management Reimagined

The Anser team is comprised of individuals who truly take ownership of the project and are willing to go the extra mile to ensure the project is built right the first time. We are constantly looking for design and construction enhancements that will result in a pristine finished product.

An example of this on the CV Link project was at the Palm Springs Visitor Center access point. The design drawings had laid out the top of footings in line with the proposed finished grades. Our Resident Engineer, Tyson Atwood, realized early that the visual roof line would look odd once complete. As such, he made slight modifications to the top-of-footing elevations so that the shade structures would visually be shaped like a "V," which also cast a much more appealing shadow.

It is this high attention to detail which separates the Anser team from any other construction management firm.

Plans are heavily scrutinized both in the office and in the field to ensure that the design intents are being met during construction. The Anser team is very accustomed to making minor design changes in the field as nearly all of the proposed tie-in elevations on the CV Link project have been significantly off. The way we have efficiently overcoming these challenges is by being very proactive. Once construction stakes are set, the Anser team will go out a minimum of two days ahead of the Contractor's planned activities to ensure design feasibility. Minor adjustments can then me made with have zero to minimal impacts to the contractors means and methods and schedule. We can make such adjustments easily because, as part of our standard tools, Anser has invested in a builder's laser level so that our inspection team can not only verify grades and forms without the assistance of a contractor. This also allows us to gather simple field topo without the need of additional survey costs.



Unique Design Elements

The AML has many unique features and elements which are being custom developed for the project. Anser has extensive experience in dealing with unique design elements and the challenges

that it brings to an owner. The first decision that CVAG must make is whether the agency should procure these items under a sole source agreement and then provide them to the contractor as owner furnished material. This is always heavily scrutinized by Caltrans and puts funding at risk if the proper procedures are not followed. Furthermore, California Public Contract Code

section 3400 also prohibits the use of specific brand names when bidding out work. On the CV Link project, Anser provided guidance to CVAG about the best way to procure specific design elements while still being in compliance with California Public Contract Code section 3400.



Through our guidance, the Segment 1 contract was able to procure the exact benches, trash receptacles and bicycle racks that were desired by CVAG.

As part of the Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA), the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) was enacted in November of 2021. This act greatly increased the number of products which now fall within the Buy America requirements. This may include many of the fiberoptic and specialty lighting that is currently shown in the AML drawing package. During the pre-construction phase, Anser will ensure that all specified products meet the BABA requirements. The newly updated Caltrans 2023 standard specifications largely incorporate all these new Buy America requirements, however at this time it is unclear what the base specifications will be. If the Caltrans Standard Specifications are not used, the Anser team will ensure that all the newly updated Buy America language is in the contract specifications so that the contractor may accurately bid the project. Finally, during construction, our Resident Engineer will ensure that all Buy America requirements are being met and the paperwork is meticulously filed in preparation for any audit.

Understanding of Regional and Community Needs

Anser has worked extensively in the region for over five years and has had an established local office for over three. Over 75% of the daily Anser team staff that will be working on the Art and Music Line Project call the Coachella Valley home.

As such, we have a strong understanding of the unique community needs of the Art and Music Line project, both as it relates to its local residents and tourism, driven in large part to the music festival season and other special events.

Connections to Schools: The AML will connect to over half a dozen schools, all of which are within disadvantaged communities where over 80% of the children are on Free and Reduced Priced School Meals. Many of these children rely on public or active transportation to get to school. The AML will provide safer routes to children who are already using active transportation means to get to and from school each day.

Tourism: April is one of the most important months to the region. Each weekend, over 100,000 festival goers visit the Empire Pole Grounds to attend Coachella Music and Arts and Stagecoach music festivals. This is not including the thousands of vendors that it takes to support these events. These grounds are also increasingly the home to additional festivals taking place in October. Consideration for these high traffic events must be accounted for both during the design and construction phase. The design must be thoughtful enough to recognize that there are 10's of thousands of people who would use the facilities no more than once a year. Likewise, during construction, we must ensure that our project is of minimal impact to the traveling public, espcially during these high-volume weekends. The Anser team is well experienced working within the region during these timelines.

During construction of our CV Link project, we ensured that our contractor took extra precautions by utilizing a combination of chain link and snow fence to keep tourism out of the construction zones. We also added additional signage above and beyond the requirements of the CA MUTCD to ensure clear communication to all tourists.



Understanding of the Dillon Road Connection

The Dillon Road connection is the eastern most connection to CV Link. Anser is aware that the existing Dillon Road Bridge over the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel is structurally deficient and functionally obsolete. Dillon Road is also a principal arterial serving the two tribal reservations: Cabazon Band of Mission Indians and Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians, and is the only access to the City of Coachella connecting to Interstate 10 freeway. The risks and reliabilities are extremely high and Anser is ready to work through any and all challenges, including:

- Coordination with Caltrans, Coachella Valley Associations of Governments, Coachella Valley Water District, City of Indio, City of Coachella, Cabazon Band of Mission Indians, Twenty-Nine Band of Mission Indians, utility companies and school districts on a consistent
- Possible closing of Dillon Road Bridge during construction which may require long detours through Avenue 50 via a low-water crossing (not accessible during flood event) or Avenue 52, which will significantly increase emergency response time.
- Understanding that there is a Joint Powers Authority between the City of Indio, City of Coachella, Cabazon Band of Mission Indians and Twenty-Nine Band of Mission Indians, established in September 2018, related to the Dillon Road Bridge Project.
- Understanding that the Dillon Road Bridge Project is one of Coachella Valley Associations of Governments transportation projects in the Transportation Project Prioritization Study and how this relates to the Art and Music Line Project which is funded by federal ATP and local funds.
- Managing environmental clearances (i.e., AB52 and Section 106 consultations).
- > Managing and conducting biological studies during breeding seasons only which may cause delays.
- → Strategizing the political process and facilitating discussion among stakeholders that may have differing opinions or priorities.

Anser has built a team who is ready to take on these challenges. Martin Magaña of Magaña Consulting Services joins the Anser team with extensive existing relationships and knowledge of the rich history of the surrounding area. We will guide CVAG in addressing these challenges by including City and Tribal staff in pre-construction meetings and progress meetings, implement City and Tribal punch list items during project closeout and coordinate acceptance walks with the City and Tribal staff as part of the final punch list process.



Design and Practical Experience

Anser has extensive knowledge of the ADA requirements and bikeway construction as outlined in the California MUTCD. We've also kept up on all changes as these

manuals are updated. This gives us a strong understanding of the critical elements not only during the constructability review phase, but also during construction. For example, we understand that there has to be 2-foot clear zone from the edge of path from any obstacles while the path.

During the construction of CV Link behind the Palm Desert High School, this understanding of design criteria was critical as the proposed pathway alignment encroached into this buffer zone against an CVWD chain link fence. Since our contract stated to protect the fence in place, the Anser team made alignment modifications in the field to ensure that our edge of pathway was at least 2-feet away from the existing fence. This change was made a zero cost to CVAG. Had we not had this understanding, post solution would have certainly cost tens of thousands of dollars.

Anser also understands that even though a design may work on paper and is within the guidelines of design standards, new features may cause confusion with drivers. As new sections of travel are opened, Anser will observe how traffic reacts to the changes, recognizing that there is a typical time period where locals will need to adjust to the changes. If any element of the design is not working as intended, Anser will take immediate action to add any temporary fixes as necessary while the design team provides a final solution. Signal timing adjustments are frequently required on these types of projects. Anser will work with the local agency to ensure that signals are adjusted ahead of opening new routes to traffic.

Levee and Undercrossing Construction

One of the more important connections to the Arts and Music Line is connectivity with CV Link at the La Quinta Promontory Point Access Point. In order to make this connection, the proposed pathway will travel from Avenue 48 along the La Quinta **Evacuation Channel** and then drop under both the Highway 111 and Jeferson bridges. Anser has unmatched knowledge of the challenges of obtaining both design approval and constructing within Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) right-of-way.

Our Resident Engineer, Tyson Atwood, has spent the past three years working very closely with CVWD, especially David Wilson and Chad Austin, in getting both design approvals, as well as construction coordination within the channel. Anser recognizes that CVWD has strong reservations about constructing the under crossings as proposed due to both safety and engineering concerns.

Engineering Concerns. One example of the engineering concerns CVWD will likely have is with capacity and scour analysis. The proposed design will reduce capacity of the existing channel by the addition of a retaining wall, and/or fill slope. As this channel is designated as a Zone A by the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM), CVWD will likely require a hydrologic/ hydraulic (HH) analysis which shows that the impacts have negligible effects on the existing water surface elevations and scour depths. CVWD traditionally has Northwest Hydraulic Consultants (NHC) complete their third-party review of all HH studies. Through this process, Tyson has working knowledge of the types of analysis that NHC will be looking for, as well as how they prefer the data presented. Having previously worked as a HH design engineer, Tyson has a strong understanding of the software and types of analysis used to complete these studies.

During the approval process of the CV Link under crossings, Tyson performed Quality Assurance of the designers' analyses and report prior to submitting to CVWD for review. During this process, he caught several inconsistencies in the report which had traditionally been flagged by NHC; avoiding an additional costly round of reviews and loss in schedule.

With his extensive knowledge of what kinds of issues CVWD and NHC traditionally look for in their review, the Anser team will be able to perform independent Quality Assurance checks ahead of design submittals to CVWD which will cut down on the number of submittal reviews required ahead of CVWD approval.

Safety Concerns. Through our conversations with CVAG, we also understand that CVWD has safety concerns about building the pathway underneath the Jefferson and Highway 111 bridges, respectively. During our field visit, the Anser team did observe one homeless encampment in the Jefferson bridge abutment, opposite of where the pathway is proposed.

The Anser team has vast experience in working with the homeless of similar under crossings during construction of CV Link. The Monroe under crossing had proven to be the most challenging location as there was a very well establish encampment within our construction limits. Prior to construction of the under crossing, Anser teamed with the CVAG Homeless outreach team so that contact could be made with the individuals. Once that initial contact failed, Anser worked with local law enforcement to have the individuals removed. Anser also came up with some additional design elements which helped as homeless deterrents. Through persistent work, there are no longer homeless encampments at any CV Link under crossing locations.



Anser will work closely with CVAG to help ensure the safest possible route to access CV Link at the La Quinta Access Point. We will look at all options, including additional lighting which would not have adverse environmental impacts while enhancing the safety of users after dark.

Retaining Wall Construction

The current plan shows two different types of walls being constructed within the channel, a tieback wall and a cast-inplace wall. In our initial review of the plans, as demonstrated in Figure 1, it appears that CVAG may need to acquire additional right-of-way in order to construction the tiebacks. This appears to be most prominent at the Highway 111 undercrossing, especially towards the northerly side where there is an existing shopping center adjacent to the channel. These kinds of rightof-way constraints will be one of our top priorities during our constructability review. It will be critical to both the schedule and design that these kinds of restrictions are identified early so that proper action can be taken to mitigate the design.



Figure 1

Another challenge that the project may face is with the current design of the cast-in-place (CIP) wall. In order to cost effectively construct the CIP wall, the contract will need room to excavate for the footing. This is demonstrated in Figure 2.

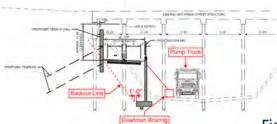


Figure 2

As demonstrated in this figure, this back cut will likely affect the columns of the existing bridge. During the constructability phase, we would review the both the Jefferson and Highway 111 as-build drawings to ensure that future construction would not impact the structural integrity of the bridges and that any potential back cuts would be above the existing pile caps. Additionally, access during construction of the CIP wall will be restrictive due to the placement of the existing columns. Extreme caution must be maintained at all times so that equipment does not strike and damage any of the structural components of the bridges. The Anser team will also ensure

that the environmental clearance areas also accurately account for construction activities

As a lesson learned from the CV Link project, the environmental boundary of the under crossings did not account for the back cut required for the cutoff wall construction. The Anser team has worked with both CDFW and CVWD to mitigate these impacts so that the project could be built per plan.



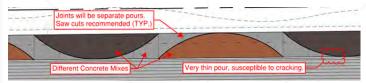
On-Street Construction

While the levee and undercrossing may appear to be the most technically complex component of the project, the

on-street work will have its own unique set of challenges, from both a constructability and engineering perspective.

Project Staging and Schedule. One of our lessons learned from our City of Indio Herbert Hoover Pedestrian Improvement project is the success of breaking the project in to manageable stages of work. Because the project is spread out through commercial, residential, and school zones, it is important that the contractor is diligent when they start construction. For example, we would not want the contractor to start demo work in La Quinta, near Desert Sands Unified School District and then move into the City of Indio, and not complete the work within the City of La Quinta for weeks, or even months later. We will work with CVAG and the design team to establish reasonable work zone areas which would not substantially drive costs, while minimizing impacts to the public as much as possible.

Prior to starting the project, we will review and agree on the Contractor's baseline schedule. Our team will discuss the project schedule with the contractor prior to mobilization and listen to any concerns or enhancements they have relating to the schedule. When both Contractor and Construction Manager agree on a schedule prior to starting the project, the project has a much higher rate of success!



Patterned Colored Concrete. The ambition of the AML is to truly live up to its name to where it will be a piece of art. The pathway will create an amazing user experience with its blends of colors and shapes. The issue is that each one of these colors and shapes will require separate concrete pours, which drives up costs and can lead to challenges with differential settling, joints/cracking, and color inconsistency between pours. The Anser team is very familiar with these types of challenges through our work on the North Park Mid-City project and the CV Link project.

Our Lead Inspector, Kenny Casados, has worked through all these types of challenges during the construction of the CV Link access points and branded banding. These sections consisted of similar intricate patterns which required their own separate pours. We worked hand-in-hand with the contractor to develop pour plans and methods to cut relief joints which have avoided over 95% of cracking.

Prior to bid, Anser will share our lessons learned with the design team to ensure contract specification language requiring sample panels, pour plans, doweling and saw cutting are all in the bid package. In addition, we'll recommend that language is in the contract which requires that the same mix design be used in sections, which ensures a consistent color product throughout the project

Coordination with Cities, Utilities, and Future Projects

We recognize the need to coordinate with many different stakeholders on this project, all of which the Anser team has existing working relationships with. A detailed description of our communication plan is discussed later. We also recognize that the AML is not the only planned project within the same footprint of work and that other agencies have their own projects to manage.

The AML project is not scheduled to go to construction until Q2 of 2025, meaning there is ample time to coordinate any future projects currently planned with the stakeholders. However, this also means that it's likely that projects within our work limits will be completed ahead of the AML going to construction. The Anser team has extensive experience coordinating these kinds of efforts on many different projects including North Park Mid-City, Bayshore Barrio Logan, and of course CV Link.

- On the North Park Mid-City project, we actively had to coordinate with the City of San Diego for outside projects such as annual slurry seal maintenance, installation of fiber optics lines, and new building development; all of which impacted our work zones. Our proposed Assistant Resident Engineer, Brandon McKay, actively managed each of the conflicts with our contractor. Preferred critical path activities were altered, and re-design work arounds were just some of the solutions the Anser team came up with.
- On the Bayshore Barrio Logan project, we are actively managing a scenario where a local City sewer project within our work limits has been substantially delayed, which in turn has caused the Anser-managed project to pivot. We have proactively worked with our contractor to sequence the preferred critical path components of the project, so that construction activities could continue.

We have many similar experiences on the CV Link project. CVWD has had two projects within the channel which have affected our ability to perform work in the areas, causing us to re-sequence work. The Dune Palms bridge replacement falls within the footprint of the current Segment 1 project which required the Anser team to revise start/stop locations.

In the City of Palm Springs, the City had completed a small traffic calming project within the CV Link limits which was unknown to CVAG and the design team. Once construction began, our proposed Resident Engineer, Tyson Atwood, and Lead Inspector, Kenny Casados, actively worked with Donn Uyeno, then with Palm Springs, to incorporate the existing speed humps into the CV Link project.

The Anser team is prepared to actively deal with any curveball that the AML project throws our way and our proposed team has a proven record of success in keeping projects actively progressing through all of these types of scenarios.

ADA Compliance

Public safety is a key component to the success of this project. Nearly every aspect of the project has to be within compliance of ADA standards. That means pathway cross slopes cannot exceed 2% and anything over 5% in the travel path is considered a ramp and must be treated as such in the design. Through our workon many projects, but especially on CV Link, our inspection team has developed comprehensive spreadsheets which ensure compliance with all ADA standards, while being able to complete the checks in a timely manner. Our inspection team will document all ADA components using tape measures to a 1/16 of an inch and smart levels to the tenth of a degree to ensure features do not exceed the maximum allowable slopes.dimensions. If features are found to be out of toerance, the Contractor will not be compensated for the work until the ramp meets protect requirements. In addition to permanent ADA facilities, temporary facilities may be needed to guide pedestrians during stage construction and closed ramps. We could not find any mention of how the Contractor should contruct temporary ADA facilities in the contract documents, therefore we recommend that these temporary facilities follow the Caltrans Temporary ADA Facilities Handbook.



APPROACH/ WORK PLAN TO SCOPE OF **SERVICES**



Bid Administration and **Pre-Construction Assistance**

Schedule (a): Anser currently employs a team of critical path method (CPM) scheduling experts who are experienced in a variety of scheduling

software, including Primavera P6 and Microsoft Project. For the Art and Music Line project, there will be three critical phases to completing the project which are: Completion of Design, Obtaining E76/Advertise/Award, Construction. A detailed schedule is shown toward the end of the proposal.

Completion of Design is much more than simply just how long it will take for the designer to complete the drawings. This is the critical phase in which all the project stakeholders will have the majority of their input on the design. Anser has extensive experience working with all of the stakeholders on the project, including: Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD), Cities of La Quinta, Indio, and Coachella, as well as coordination with the Cabazon Tribe. Having worked with these agencies, Anser has extensive working knowledge of which agencies tend to stretch beyond their initially stated review period. We also have a strong understanding that it will likely take multiple reviews before obtaining approvals. In order to setup an accurate schedule, it is critical to set realistic activity durations, as well as allowing for multiple reviews.

Obtaining E76/Advertise/Award. There is an extensive package which is required as part of the approval package from Caltrans. The proposed Anser team are subject matters experts which in comes to the Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) has successfully supported CVAG on a number construction package related to the CV Link program.

Most recently, Anser was asked by CVAG to put plan packages and provide cost estimates for multiple Caltrans packages with just a few days turnaround deadline. Anser was able to quickly allocate resources and completed over 80 manhours of work in just 48 hours.

Once the E76 is obtained, Anser will support CVAG in putting the bid package out for construction. Again, there are strict guidelines which must be followed in accordance with the LAPM. The advertise and award package is always the first item which is reviewed by Caltrans auditors during the initial project audit.

Construction. Having managed dozens of bikeway projects, the Anser team are experts in not only putting together but managing these linear projects in which the critical path activities may frequently change. As part of this procurement, Anser has developed a probable construction sequence which the contractor would likely follow. This schedule will be further

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updated as we progress from 65 to 100% design drawings. Additionally, as discussed in our Special Issues section, we will be sure that we capture any outside agencies projects which could potentially affect our project.



Bid Processes (e): Once our constructability review is complete, Anser will then assist CVAG with putting out a bid package. As discussed above, Anser has extensive experience putting together bid packages in conformance with

the Caltrans LAPM. Once the project is advertised, as we did with CV Link, we can take the lead in answering any questions which may arise from potential contractors during that process. Once bids are open, Anser will complete a comprehensive analysis of the bid items to ensure that there are significant bid items which are unbalanced. We will also review each bidder package to ensure that they submitted complete and responsive bids. A large part of that review will be to ensure that the contractor has made accurate claims of the DBE goal participation, or a review of the "good faith effort," which would ultimately need Caltrans approval.

Budget (b): Every successful construction project starts with a great estimate! Financial expectations determine which projects are started, but only accurate cost estimates determine which are completed within budget. Our in-house Cost Estimating group lead by Andy Kleimola, recognizes the importance of having reliable construction cost estimates before a shovel ever hits the ground. Accurate cost estimates are required to create project budgets, evaluate cost implications of numerous design decisions as design advances and to analyze the accuracy and fairness of contractor's estimate submissions.



Not only does the AML add complexities to standard concrete pathway construction, it also incorporates a number of unique fiberoptic and other unique lighting elements, all of which are key to making the pathway a work of art. This is all in addition to the structural elements that will need to be built to connect the AML to CV Link at the La Quinta Access Point. These elements all come at a cost where budgets are limited. The success of a project hinges on getting the alignment of budget, scope, and quality right at the beginning of the project, as well as the maintenance of that alignment as design progresses. Our team of estimators will help confirm engineer's estimates, and when needed we can provide guidance to any discrepancies so that CVAG may have the most accurate information to make decisions from.

Communication Plan. Given the number of stakeholders on the project, having a formal communication plan and having contact information for all members is critical. The Anser team is unmatched not only its understanding of this, but also with having already established much of the groundwork required as part of this project.

Through our work on the CV Link project, Anser and Burke Rix have already developed a communication plan which contains most contacts which will be part of the AML communication plan.

We will work with CVAG to refine this list and ensure that contact information is captured in an organized manner in a way that anyone new to the project could be brought up to speed with who the key stakeholders are by simply reviewing the document. Given the length of the project, it's likely that key stakeholders may move positions. As such, we recognize that our communication plan will always be a working document which will need to be updated throughout the life of the project.

Constructability Review (c): As discussed in the Special Issues section, the Anser team brings knowledge of not only constructability issues, but also design guidelines, especially as it relates to bikeway facilities. As shown in the appendices, Anser has already began its initial list of field observations with the provided 65% drawings. A thoughtful review of work adjacent to right-of-way lines will be required throughout the project.

During the construction of CV Link, Anser was able to identify several areas which required either a Temporary Construction Easement or Slope Easement. By identifying early, Anser was able to put all the document required in order to obtain these easements with zero delay to the project.

In addition to constructibility review, Anser will utilize Steve Latino from Michael Baker to perform a comprehensive engineering review. Steve has recently worked side-by-side with Tyson on a number of bikeway project for the City of Palm Desert. Their different backgrounds allow for highly detailed review of drawings which far expand beyond the typical constructibility review comments.

Bluebeam RevuTM has become the standard software for constructability review comments, however not all firms use it to its full capabilities. Effective use of studio sessions, thoughtful layers, and summary reports are what set Anser constructability reviews apart. Anser will mark up a set of plans on the PDF editor. There are two benefits with this software which can improve efficiency and reduce review times between the project team. First, we can place the drawings in a cloud-based server where multiple team members can comment directly on the PDF. This will allow simultaneous reviews rather than back and forth commenting between the team.

Second, once all the comments are compiled on the markedup pdf set, the software can export a review sheet, which clearly identifies the page number, comment and most importantly a picture of the item being discussed. This report is to supplement or replace the excel spreadsheet typically issued as the tracking log for the constructability comments. When reviewing comments, there is no need for a set of plans and excel sheet. This report will combine both and make for more efficient, productive meetings with the team. Additional sketches and drawing details containing recommendations for package improvements will be provided to supplement the comment log to ensure clarity. The comment/response log will be supplemented with full-size sheet plans with markups for each project.

Mitigation Measures and Environmental Requirements (d): Through our experience on CV Link and other projects, Anser has a strong understanding of the environmental requirements required to complete the Art and Music Line. These will include mitigation measures for burrowing owls, nesting birds, and bats, among others. Additionally, there will be cultural requirements, at minimum, for work that takes within the Cabazon and Twenty-Nine-Palms right-of-way. Anser has teamed with LSA who has a local office in Palm Springs and had been providing local support to the Coachella Valley for years. Along with Anser, LSA has personal working relationships with the local agency representatives, including Jacob Skaggs with the Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW).

Anser, with the support of LSA, will complete a thorough review of all environmental documents and place relevant items in our CPM schedule. A risk analysis of the current construction schedule will be reviewed with the CVAG so that thoughtful decision on when to release projects to bid can be made. We will take extensive care to ensure that all environmental requirements are capture in the projects Special Conditions and the time of bid.



Construction Management



Project Administration (3)

Procedures Manuals (c, g, h): The Anser Team understands that we will have to create and maintain hundreds of documents throughout

the project duration to provide proof that the project was administered in accordance with Local, State and Federal guidelines. The requirements of the Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) provide the minimum filing system that we must adhere to. However, a project of this size will require that we implement the full filing system established in the Caltrans Construction Manual. Anser's Resident Engineer, Tyson Atwood, and Document Control specialist, Amelia Fitchett, have expansive experience utilizing the Caltrans filing system and together have successfully passed many Caltrans audits, including ones for CVAG, typically with just minor comments.

Coordination & Reporting (b, d, j): Open communication is one of the keys to success of any project. The Anser team has an existing working relationship with not only CVAG, but the majority of stakeholders on the project. As discussed above, Anser understands the importance of having a written plan when dealing with so many stakeholders and partners on the project.

Once the project is awarded, the Anser team will kick-off the project with a pre-construction meeting which will include all project stakeholders. Clear lines of communication through the Anser construction management team will be reinforced at this meeting. During the construction phase, it is crucial to keep all stakeholders informed of the progress of the project. In order to manage the flow of information and keep the focus on the important issues, Tyson will institute weekly contractor progress meetings. Again, all stakeholders, such as the contractor, CVAG, the design engineer, CVWD, RCTD, and all Cities and Public Relations Officers will be invited to attend. Minutes of issues, discussions, statements, and commitments will be recorded and distributed after every meeting. Weekly and monthly Construction Progress Report will be provided to CVAG staff and other stakeholders as approved by CVAG identifying the progress made, upcoming work, and any issues that have or may be developing.

Anser is very familiar with the formatting requirements for these reports as Anser helped develop many of the standard reports still used by CVAG as part of setting up the document control system on the CV Link project.

<u>Progress Payments (a, e, f):</u> Prior to bidding the project, Anser will ensure that there is specification language which clearly define the payment schedules of the project. Anser will follow the time-tested procedures established in the Caltrans Construction

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Manual for the tracking and payment of materials placed by the Contractor each month. Daily reports become the basis of documenting the material placed by the Contractor. This information is transferred to quantity (or Q) sheets that are established for each item of pay. All quantity sheets are backed up with calculations, photos or other means of verification, and are checked by an independent party prior to being submitted to Tyson. Payment vouchers are generated, along with a breakdown of reimbursement from the various funding buckets on the project. Monthly estimates are submitted to CVAG after discussion with the Contractor and confirmation that payment items are accurate. A detailed discussion on the process can be found in the Cost and Schedule section.

Monitor Contractor's Schedule (i): We will ensure that the Contractor is complying with the requirements of the monthly schedule updates and closely monitor the critical path to avoid delays and disruptions whenever possible. Non-working days and days added by the change order process will be incorporated into schedule updates. Our unique approach to scheduling is discussed in detail in the Cost and Schedule section.



Partnering (I): Anser firmly believes and practices proactive management on the job and will make every attempt to resolve issues at the lowest level possible. As discussed later in our approach to claims, even when there

are disputes on a project, Tyson maintains the highest level of professionalism and never takes a difference of opinion personally. While we have a proven track record of being able to resolve disputes, should CVAG feel that a partnering session is needed, Anser will participate with an open mind.

Quality Assurance Program (QAP) Manual (m): Anser has managed hundreds of millions of dollars in federally funded projects, as such, we are extremely familiar with the Caltrans Quality Assurance Program in addition to the approved CVAG Quality Assurance Plan (QAP). The Anser team is currently administering the CVAG QAP by accurately tracking the quantities of all materials placed on the project to ensure that we are meeting the minimum testing requirements as outlined in the CVAG QAP. To increase cost effectiveness, Anser has teamed with Earth Systems who will perform all of our Quality Assurance Material Testing. Earth Systems has a Caltrans accredited laboratory locally in the Coachella Valley, along with local staff who are also Caltrans certified. It is through these accreditations that we will comply with the Independent Assurance (IA) requirements of the QAP Manual.

Labor Compliance (n): Standards established by the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) require that Contractors adhere to specific pay requirements and submit certified payrolls to the managing body. Daily reports, along with employee EEO

interviews form the basis for reviewing contractor certified payrolls. During audits of construction records, certified payroll records are an area that is most often reviewed. Tyson has extensive experience providing Labor Compliance administration and will be supported by Chia-Chi Wang of our DBE subcontractor, DESI. Any deficiencies will be reported and pursued. Withholding of payment may be utilized to achieve compliance.

Environmental Compliance (k): As previously discussed, Anser and LSA will ensure that we are meeting all the environmental requirements set forth in the environmental documents. In the construction phase, we will ensure that our contractor is complying with all of the environmental requirements for the project that would now be in the special provisions. We are anticipating that the majority of the environmental monitoring will be required to take place at the two ends of the projects which tie into CV Link.

Through our work on CV Link, we know that the surrounding area around Promontory Point has cultural resources which require additional monitoring. We also know of similar requirements at the Dillon Road connection, which takes place on tribal lands.

In addition, monitoring of burrowing owls, bats, and other nesting bird will be required along the channels and under the bridges. From our initial site walk of the evacuation channel, we did notice a nest inside one of the bridge abutments which will need to be addressed prior to construction.



SWPPP, AQMD, and Environmental Coordination (0, p): Construction activities are ever changing for various reasons throughout a project, thus the reasons for continuous monitoring on a project. Knowing the appropriate BMP's for various construction activities is key to properly implementing a SWPPP and Dust Control Plan, especially on a project with so many working locations. Our team is extremely experienced in both Storm Water and Air Quality as Tyson is a Qualified SWPPP Developer's (QSD) and is also SCAQMD Coachella Valley Fugitive Dust Control certified. Tyson and members of the Anser team are well versed in the new requirements set forth in the 2022 Construction General Permit which will become effective September 1, 2023.

Project dust is always a challenge when working in the Coachella Valley, thus the additional requirement unique to the Coachella Valley in which the contractor will be required to submit a Dust Control Plan to AQMD. We have found that dust can be

especially challenging when working within the channels. Often times, dust complaints are blamed on the project, when in fact the dust in large part is a biproduct of high winds and regional dust. Anser has extensive experience with managing dust throughout the valley.

On the CV Link project, Anser wrote a change order to the contractor to apply temporary tackifier to areas within the channel so that it could be proven to AQMD that the project was doing everything possible to stay within compliance. We will take this lesson learned and ensure that such dust control measures are requirements in the contract documents during the constructability review phase.

In addition, Anser will ensure that the Contractor maintains properly permitted dust levels, as well as minimizes project track out from the site. Each project will have some scope of work requiring concrete, so our inspectors will ensure the contractor has washouts set up to rinse out the trucks. Tyson will continually monitor the site for compliance and strictly enforce that all mitigation measures described in the Dust Control Plan and/or SWPPP are being implemented and documented on a daily basis.

As-Builts (q): As part of our daily and monthly documentation we will maintain "As-Built" drawings. Developing these items in a contemporaneous fashion ensures the most accurate memorialization of the activities as they occur in the event of a time impact or dispute. We will keep a "Live" as built set of plans using Bluebeam Studio Software. This will be a tool that each member of the Anser Team can utilize and will have access to the most current set of plans at any time. At the end of the project, these electronic files can easily be bundled and transmitted to be updated into the electronic plan set and transmitted to CVAG, and all applicable stakeholders, for archiving.



Construction Coordination (3)

Active construction coordination is discussed through various section of the proposal such as our under of project stakeholders, communication plan, and SWPPP coordination.

As demonstrated throughout this proposal, Anser has a strong understand of the coordination required to complete the AML project. Tyson Atwood, will lead the Anser Team as the Resident Engineer and looks forward to continuing his work as being the day-to-day contact with many of the same parties associated with the project which he is currently working with through his work with the CV Link project.



Construction Inspection (4)

Field Inspection (a-q): Anser offers experienced and qualified inspectors with extensive experience with Greenbook and Caltrans

standards. These individuals will provide daily on-site observation and inspection of required materials, equipment, and methods of construction and assure that the project remains in compliance with all contract documents, permits and regulations. Our inspectors are also cross trained and versed in compliance as it relates to ADA, traffic control, SWPPP and AQMD PM10 inspections. Our digital daily inspection reports discuss conversations, labor, equipment, quantities, location and full description of work completed during the shift, as well as adherence to the compliance aspects of the Contract backed up with photographs. These daily reports are the backbone of hour our quantity (Q-sheets) are generated during the progress payment, which is discussed in the above section.

Our work plan is to eliminate surprises to CVAG by being proactive in working with the Contractor to identify and resolve deficiencies or problems as quickly as possible at the field level. Our inspectors will utilize the three (3) week-lookahead-schedule to properly advance the construction effort by looking ahead, and by assisting the Contractor in resolving issues before they become problems. All work will be inspected for conformance with contract plans, specifications, and current specified and standards. Inspection documentation, processes, materials testing, and quality assurance will all be in accordance with CVAG and Caltrans Quality Assurance Manual.

Comprehensive and accurate daily records of field activities become the go-to document when a dispute comes to light. Early recognition of an issue allows added opportunities for resolution. If extra work is required, accurate documentation is critical to determine the actual costs incurred and come to an accurate evaluation of cost. When disputed work is not resolved by change order, it must continue under a potential claim. In this case, the Anser Team will create a file number to track the Contractor's effort with added scrutiny. Accurate documentation of manpower, equipment, and materials will allow us to disallow or minimize the cost of disputed extra work.



Project Support (5)

Construction Surveys (a-d): Anser has teamed once again with the local branch office of Michael Baker International (MBI) to provide surveying services. MBI understands the importance in providing high quality services. The team we have assembled for this project propose to carry out those services to enhance the CVAG's outstanding reputation in providing the Coachella Valley with safe, reliable transportation and amenities throughout the

Valley. Our approach to the project is a proven and efficient team approach with California Licensed Land Surveyors engaged in every work task throughout the scope of work. The local Palm Desert Office currently has four (4) Licensed Surveyors and four (4) fully capable field crews employed full time working on Coachella Valley Projects.

Many times, it is the surveyor who discovers an inconsistency or deviation from design. While it is intended that deviations from plans do not occur, they inevitably may. Minor deviations are normal and can be dealt with routinely by the Party Chief and the Resident Engineer, who will keep the staff informed. When a plan deviation is other than minor in nature, the Party Chief will assess the problem and gather enough survey information for the Resident Engineer to resolve the issue without undue delay.

The Anser and MBI team have an extensive working relationship when it comes to fixing errors in the field, as the CV Link project has been rattled with elevation busts throughout the project. The Anser and MBI team have worked together to obtain additional pothole and elevation data ahead of when the contractor wants to begin their work. Working together, we have saved CVAG 10's, if not, 100's of thousands of dollars in additional re-work costs.

In addition to construction staking, the Anser and MBI teamed have worked through a number of right-of-way issues on the CV Link project as well. MBI has assisted Anser and CVAG in preparing legal documents which have enabled CVAG to get necessary temporary construction easements and slope easements which were not previously identified but required in order to complete the CV Link project.

Material Testing/Source Inspection (e): Anser has teamed with Earth Systems who will perform all material testing and source inspection. Earth Systems has extensive experience throughout the Coachella Valley and currently provides on-call geotechnical service to Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Riverside County Transportation Department, the Cities of Rancho Mirage and Indio. They also often work on projects for the Cities of Palm Springs, Cathedral City, Palm Desert, La Quinta and Coachella, as well as Coachella Valley Water District. They have a local, Caltrans certified laboratory located in La Quinta.



Public Outreach (c): Anser has once again teamed with local small business, Burke Rix Communications (BRC) to help support our public outreach effort. BRC has extensive experience in

providing a wide array of community outreach services on large infrastructure projects. Their team maintains relationships with community leaders and stakeholders throughout the region and particularly in the Eastern Coachella Valley. BRC has a positive track record in working closely with CVAG on CV Link and has demonstrated to the public that the agency can deliver quality transportation projects with a community driven approach that is transparent and timely. The Anser and BRC is able to hit the ground running in providing timely and efficient outreach and communication services for the AML project.

Public Outreach

BRC is currently provides public outreach and communications services with Anser on the construction management of the CV Link project. In this role, BRC closely coordinates with local agencies that include the AML cities of La Quinta, Indio, and Coachella. BRC also coordinates with many of these cities police departments as well as with other stakeholders such as the Desert Sands Unified School District, Desert Healthcare District, SunLine, property owners, chambers of commerce, community-based organizations, and bicycle groups. BRC proactively coordinates with these stakeholders and the public to inform and raise awareness regarding project updates. The BRC team has developed and disseminated bilingual notices, social media tool kits, and signage. They also regularly maintain the project website and social media channels. BRC manages the construction project hotline coordinates with our team on quickly responding to inquiries. As a local firm, BRC can connect with residents and businesses on a personal level and immediately respond in person. All calls and any subsequent response are logged for the record and maintained.

Construction Communication Plan

As discussed in preconstruction, BRC will develop a Construction Communications Plan for the AML that will be a comprehensive document designed to guide construction communication and outreach in a timely and easy-to-understand format that leads to public understanding and support of the project. The Construction Communications Plan will also address planning for project-related emergencies, notices, website content, newsletters, social media, coordination with local agency PlO's on outreach, coordination with the AML Non-Infrastructure Program Manager, and presentation materials for various audiences. BRC provides most of these services now for the CV Link project and can streamline these efforts for the AML project.

Community Meetings and Events

The BRC team will help plan, facilitate, and promote community meetings and presentations prior to construction and throughout the project as needed. BRC has extensive experience leading virtual and in-person meetings for CV Link and many other projects. BRC worked closely with CVAG staff on the first CV Link ribbon cutting ceremony in Palm Springs and Cathedral City as well as the groundbreaking ceremonies in Palm Desert, La Quinta, and Indio. All of the ceremonies were promoted by BRC in partnership with CVAG and were very well attended! The BRC team handed event logistics and marketing that included rentals, signage, colleterial materials, and photography/video

services. BRC offers full-service in-house event services that include:

- » Event Planning & Logistics
- » Program Development
- » Design and Production of all Collateral & Marketing Materials in English and Spanish
- » Event Marketing, Advertising and Public Relations

Public Outreach Events and Stakeholder Management

As part of the team that launched the CV Link project, BRC helped lead the unique approach in utilizing the many community events in the Coachella Valley to help educate, raise awareness, and receive support about the project. BRC strategically identified community events throughout the Valley and created

an engaging booth with project literature and promotional items to engage visitors. BRC staffed dozens of events over the years for CV Link and created a large database of people interested in the project that were segmented and contacted for various communications. The BRC team

includes bilingual speakers that can help interpret at events and translate materials. This experience gives BRC the ability to fully support the AML project and the Non-Infrastructure Program with any public event.





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COLLATERAL MATERIALS

BRC has an in-house award-winning graphic designer with extensive experience developing all types of bilingual collateral materials that can include:

- » Project Factsheets, FAQ's, and Notices
- » Signage and Posters
- » Promotional Materials
- » Direct mail
- » PowerPoint presentations

Our team can also provide in-house photography as well as project management on video and drone services.

BRC currently maintains the CV Link project website and can quickly with the CVAG Public Information Office to create content for the AML tab on the CVAG site. The BRC team's experience working with CVAG IT and managing the CV Link and other program sites will allow work on the AML to be seamless and consistent

Permits (d): Having worked extensively throughout the Coachella Valley, Anser is well versed in the various permits required to complete a project such as the AML. We anticipate that there will be dozens of permits required to complete the project. Each City will require multiple permits to complete work within their right-of-way; as will CVWD, County of Riverside, and the Tribes. In addition, there will be environmental permits such as the stormwater general permit, AQMD permit, as well as requirements not yet know which will be identified in the NEPA documents, which our teaming partner, LSA will identify and ensure compliance with.

While this may be significantly higher than the average number of permits required for a typical construction project, the Anser team is managing twice as many on the CV Link project. We have existing relationships with all of the permitting agencies and have built a level of trust with all those which administer these permits.

The Anser team will continue fostering those relationships and ensure that we are in compliance with all permits throughout construction. We will continue to review all permits at minimum of a monthly basis to ensure that extensions are filed and executed well ahead of the expiration date, ensure no lapses in permits.

Cost and Schedule (6)

<u>Cost Control (a)</u>: At the beginning of the project, Anserwill set up a master spreadsheet which tracks payment quantities of each bid item, as well as total payment amounts each month to the contractor. Change Orders,

Extra Work, and Potential Change Orders will all be tracked in their own report. Additionally, payment for Owner Furnished Materials and Materials on Hand will be separately reported on. A monthly project summary report of all these items will be provided to CVAG on a monthly basis. Tyson will closely monitor the project contingency and report on it on a monthly basis. We will analyze both bid items and CCOs to estimate the total contingency used. It is imperative to communicate the project's budget with CVAG so that project mitigation measures can be made and/or additional contingency funds can be secured.

At the end of each pay period our inspectors will prepare Quantity (Q) Sheets that clearly and accurately calculate the quantity of work completed in the past period. The quantity sheets will show calculations or field measurements to justify proper payment to the Contractor. Upon completion by the field inspector, the Office Engineer will check the Q-Sheets for accuracy and input the quantities into the Anser tracking log spreadsheet. Prior to finalizing the payment and submitting to CVAG each month, Tyson will perform a final check of complete payment package. With multiple locations and various site conditions on each project, it is possible that some items may experience quantity overruns. The Anser team will closely monitor each item of work and look for trends early in the operation that could raise red flags of an overrun. If that does happen, Tyson will immediately bring it up to CVAG and begin to form mitigation ideas in order to save project costs.

Tyson has had great past success managing cost overruns. While a Resident Engineer on the County of San Diego AC Overlay project, Tyson accurately forecasted that the asphalt concrete (AC) quantity was going to be severely overrun. Due to this, the design engineer was able to revise originally proposed treatment types from mill and inlay to overlay, saving on AC tonnage. Ultimately all planned roadways were completed with an AC treatment and the project finished slightly under budget.



Schedule Control (b): Minimizing impacts to the traveling public, local residents, and businesses will be critical to the success of this project. There are time sensitive notifications, submittal review times, and utility notifications that will need to be incorporated into the project specifications so that the Contractor can list these critical items into the CPM baseline schedule and tie them to a specific activity. During each monthly update review, the engineer and Contractor can look at these items to ensure the team is making the proper notifications to the utility or turning in and reviewing submittals.

We ensure that the Contractor is complying with the requirements of the monthly schedule updates and closely monitor the critical path to avoid delays and disruptions whenever possible. Our unique approach involves analysis of the Contractor's schedules on a weekly basis, using the information from our inspectors' daily reports, meeting minutes, submittal logs and other project records. This schedule analysis approach

is extremely proactive and provides CVAG with notice of any potential delays. We believe the project schedule is a critical tool for managing project completion, when fully integrated into the project's requirements. Our experience indicates that a proactive scheduling approach with clear specifications and effective administration is a proven method to reduce risk and liability on the successful completion of the project for both CVAG and the Contractor. The construction management team enforces the scheduling requirements in the Contract provisions, which are key to place the project in a positive position in case of claims. Our team is versed in Primavera P6, Phoenix, Expedition, Claim Digger, MS Project and other programs. We have experience dealing with various schedule types, and specific analytical approaches, including CPM, fragnets, move in schedules and contemporaneous period analysis as an effective method of characterizing and quantifying delays.



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and other project records. This schedule analysis approach is extremely proactive and provides CVAG with notice of any potential delays. We believe the project schedule is a critical tool for managing project completion, when fully integrated into the project's requirements. Our experience indicates that a proactive scheduling approach with clear specifications and effective administration is a proven method to reduce risk and liability on the successful completion of the project for both CVAG and the Contractor. We have experience dealing with various schedule types, and specific analytical approaches, including CPM, fragnets, move in schedules and contemporaneous period analysis as an effective method of characterizing and quantifying delays.

CM Staffing Plan (c): During the Baseline review, our Resident Engineer, Tyson Atwood will sit down with our Project Manager, Lucas Rathe and CVAG to discuss potential staffing needs. We will identify key activities in which part-time personnel will be required. We will also analyze the anticipate location of each overlapping activity to ensure that we have adequate resources to ensure Quality Assurance of the project. Anser field personnel are well cross trained and can many times fulfill multiple project roles. We will look for opportunities to utilize staff in this manner, reducing the total number of hours required on the project. Our proposed resource plan will be shared with CVAG for additional input and approval. Should major changes be made to the project schedule, Tyson will again work with Luke to ensure that we have the proper amount of resources on the project.



Contract Change Order and Claims (7)

Change Orders (a-d): Whether it be an unknown utility, design omission, or Owner requested design modification; change is an inevitable part of construction. Anser will advise CVAG of all situations when a contract change order should be submitted to the contractor. Proper backup documentation, emails, approvals, relevant photographs, and reports are always kept in the project file to support the terms of the Change Order. Anser's primary mechanism for change management will be a negotiate lump sum agreement. For these agreements an independent cost estimate (ICE) will be provided with each change order. If the scope cannot be clearly defined, or if Tyson cannot agree to a cost with the Contractor, then a Force Account Contract Change Order (CCO) will be issued. Tentative agreements will be issued daily by our inspector to the contractor for all work which is being tracked under force account, for any work which may later be disputed. Anser will write the change order, accompanying memorandum, and package all backup necessary prior to submitting to CVAG for final approval.

Claims (e): Anser believes and practices proactive communication and proactive management which promotes collaboration on the job and will make every attempt to resolve issues before they become disputes. However, we will vigorously defend the interests of CVAG and explicitly enforce the contract documents.

Our Team employs claims experts with a proven track record with Caltrans and other public agencies on projects of all sizes. The Anser Team brings valuable "lessons-learned" and asneeded advice on resolving and mitigating potential contractor claims. The core of the Anser Team Risk Management strategy is to ensure assembling a well-defined bid document. We will monitor all site records of events, labor, materials and equipment for potential claims or delay issues. This contemporaneous data will be essential when analyzing a contractor's claim and crucial to refute parts of it. Our team will assemble complete "issue binders" of every issue that will contain all relevant RFI's, change orders, correspondence, pictures, inspector's dailies, cost analysis and schedule analysis. These documents will be electronically linked in our document control system for easy retrieval by CVAG staff for review. Our objective will be to minimize misunderstandings by providing clear and concise analysis of all the major issues on the project.



Safety (8, a-d)

Safety is Anser's number one priority. This includes the safety of the travelling public, the contractor, and our team. We adopt a zero-tolerance culture for preventable accidents to ensure that every team member and public drivers

go home at the end of the day. Every member of our construction team has an obligation to never walk by an unsafe act. We will require the contractor to submit an Injury and Illness Protection Plan (IIPP) for all their operations for the project and make sure the contractor is held accountable for enforcing their plan. If we see something that goes against the Contractor's plan, we will shut down the operation and call a meeting to make sure safety is the number one goal of the project. Safety is the responsibility of everyone on the team and, at minimum, we will perform document weekly and monthly safety checks which will be sent to our contractor and filed as part of our construction files.

For the Art and Music Line project a few of the high priority safety items the Anser team will look out for are machinery working in close proximity to each other; traffic control; fatigue due to hot weather conditions, and slips, trips, and falls.

Additionally, there will be added safety requirements when working in the La Quinta Evacuation channel. This includes fall protection, both during and after the CIP retaining wall construction, carbon monoxide monitoring for equipment uses underneath the bridges, and low objects as we will be in close proximity to the existing bridge decks and hanging utilities.

Finally, it's likely that we will need to remove some hazardous materials/waste as a result of the existing homeless encampments. The Anser team has experience with this on the CV Link project and will ensure that there is a bid item allowance for such cleanup at the time of bid to ensure the safety of our workers

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SharePoint example - Project Closeout

Project Closeout (9, a-h)

Anser believes that punch list items should begin well before the near completion of a project. Following this logic, Anser has established an innovated way to streamline this process utilizing an interactive, "live" and always up-to-date punch list. This web-based punch list (using a cloud-based software such as Microsoft SharePoint; please reference the bottom left example) can be viewed by anyone at any time and is always current. Anser has even developed an app for easy data entry. The benefit is that the CM, contactor, and other agencies can have certain permissions to view, update and status the log. The CM inputs items on the log which the contractor can view, correct the items, and update the log once the item is complete. The CM will receive notification that punch list items are completed and can verify completeness in the field and update the list. This log can be accessed and modified in the field using a smart phone or other mobile device. This streamlined process eliminates the needs for meetings, reduces the number of transmittals to/from the contractor and increases efficiency of the project team.

Anser has had a lot of success using this feature on the Segment 1 CV Link project. The punch list has evolved into a project completion list with several different ways to filter the data that make management of long, linear project much more feasible. We would implement a similar system which would be tailored for the features of the AML project.

As discussed early, throughout the duration of the project, our Resident Engineer will keep an electronic set of "as-built" plans utilizing the Bluebeam software previously described. In utilizing the Bluebeam software, this ensures that A) our Field Inspector always has the latest information, and B) as-built packages are complete and ready to send to the design engineer for review at the click of a button

Tyson will complete both a proposed and final payment to the contractor. He will assist CVAG with filing of all required closeout documentation, including the "Notice of Completion." He will supply CVAG and applicable stakeholders with a separate package containing all manuals, warranties, and other such guarantee's as they relate to the individual project. As part of the final deliverable of all project files, a final project report, which will include lessons learned, will be reviewed with CVAG. Anser will complete all project closeout activities in accordance with Caltrans LAPM requirements.

Anser has provided the following Responsibilities Matrix on the subsequent page.

Responsibility Matrix



The following includes a detailed breakdown of key responsibilkities by personnel.

Arts & Music Line Responsibility Matrix

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	SWPPP Monthly Check List	С	Α	R	P									
	Field Daily Report	С	Α	R	S	R	P	Р						
	Construction Staking/Cut Sheets	С	Α	R	S	S							P	
	Safety Review/Reporting	С	А	R	S		P	S						
٦	SWPPP Field Review	С	А	R	S		P	S						
Field	Labor Compliance Interview	С	А	R	S		P	S		R				R
Ē	Environmental Compliance	С	Α	R		S						P		
	Punchlist & Completion List	С	Α	R		S	P	S						
1	Non-Conformance Report	С	А	P	S	S	S	S						
1	QA Material Testing	С	С	R	S	S	S	S						P

METHODS FOR QUALITY, BUDGET AND SCHEDULE CONTROL

Anser prides itself in successfully delivering projects with the highest quality of work product while meeting our clients' needs and expectations. Our quality procedures encompass all aspects of our performance. We implement project management procedures to assure accountability of the team using the project control methods described below to keep this project on schedule and within the authorized budget. Additionally, we have quarterly internal audits that vet the completeness of daily reports and confirm that only relevant and contractual information is recorded.

Project Management Plan for Successful Delivery

In accordance with Anser standard procedures, Lucas Rathe, PE, our Project Manager, develops and issues a Project Management Plan (PMP). The PMP details our management and technical plan for successfully delivering your project, including quality procedures, and details the following subjects:

Project Overview. Describes the overall project, your project goals, your expectations of Anser, and our scope of work.

Organization/Roles and Responsibilities. Provides for a clear chain of command, confirms the role and decision-making authority for team members. This can also be used as our communication plan.

Deliverables/Schedule. Ties deliverables to the schedule, details deliverable requirements and standards, and includes a copy of the contractor's detailed schedule once it is issued.

Document Control Procedures. Details how we will manage hard copy and electronic files and provides a quick reference sheet for the filing system.

Inspection and Sampling/Testing Procedures. Provides a quick reference sheet for inspection protocols with references to standards, forms, and requirements.

Standard Forms. Provides easy access to all forms we will use on this project. All forms will be in accordance to the Caltrans Manual.

The PMP is issued to every project team member, including CVAG, and we ask team members to review and sign it to confirm that they have read and understand our approach to delivering the project. The PMP is regularly updated to reflect the current status of the project and any changes that have occurred, such as changes in standard forms. Using the PMP we align the entire team around your goals, objectives, standards, and requirements. This approach enables us to achieve consistent and predictable results the first time and helps us avoid costly and time-consuming rework.

In addition to planning for quality, we regularly verify that we are following the plan and meeting your expectations. Verifying compliance is the responsibility of our Resident Engineer, Tyson Atwood, who performs periodic quality assurance audits to confirm that procedures we comply with all project standards and procedures, including:

- » Field Safety
- » Office Procedures
- » Submittal tracking and review
- » Timely schedule review and monthly updates
- » Project file organization
- » Timely daily reports
- » Timely RFI review and response
- » Timely response to claims notices
- » Accurate monthly progress payments with support documents
- » Timely meeting minutes
- » Material testing requirements and resolution of disputed test results
- » Documentation for project permits
- » Timely contract change orders and independent estimates review
- » Current As-built status
- » Timely issuance of Relief of Maintenance

Following the audits, improvement notifications are issued for any deficiencies and Luke will follow up with the CVAG PM to confirm that appropriate corrective action is taken. To meet or exceed your expectations, Luke will meet with CVAG every six months to perform an evaluation of our team where we ask you about our performance. Following this discussion, Luke will meet with Tyson to provide feedback and help the team adjust how we perform our work so that we provide you greater satisfaction with our services. The end result of our approach is continuous performance improvement over the duration of the contract.

In addition, the Anser team will work closely with CVAG to verify and monitor contractor's adherence to the contract Special Provisions, Plans, Standard Plans and Caltrans Manuals as it pertains to Quality Assurance (QA.) QA testing and inspections will take place to ensure the accuracy and compliance of the work. QA sampling and testing will be in accordance with Caltrans Test Methods (CTMs) per the frequencies dictated in the Caltrans Construction Manual, Testing Frequency Tables. Test that are not covered by CTM will be covered by American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) International. A Caltrans certified laboratory shall always be utilized to perform soils and material service testing to validate contractor's test results. The Anser team will ensure that all test machines are calibrated annually or more frequently using devices of accuracy traceable to the National Bureau of Standards. Batch plant and source inspections shall take place by individuals that are certified for this type of sampling.

Anser will keep daily reports and logs to track the stages of the work, progress, and any required Quality assurance testing. The logs will track test performed and their results, samples taken, and any test or samples taken by the construction management team will assure current status of certifications, non-compliance reports (NCRs), submittals, and any other aspect of quality assurance and inspection that should be tracked for compliance and proper record keeping.



Document Control

The Anser team, led by Tyson Atwood, will establish, manage and coordinate a document control system to manage and store all project-related information for the Project. We are well

versed with the Caltrans uniform filing system and intend to use the same system both electronically and hard copy.

A unique tracking number system will be implemented to provide control of all documents, records, reviews, and writings, and to provide for expediting the transmittal of all construction documents. This tracking system will account for all letters, memos, submittals, shop drawings, change orders, Requests for Information, Request for Qualifications, notice of potential claims, suspended correspondence, and all other pertinent sources of information. Tyson will also establish and maintain an issue tracking system. Both tracking systems will use a unique numbering system to ensure document control. The system will contain all issues requiring the attention of all stakeholders. All meeting minutes will be recorded sequentially to ensure that all actions items are tracked and completed in a timely manner to avoid potential project delays.

We will utilize an electronic system to allow complete storage of all project documents electronically in addition to customary storage of hardcopy documents in accordance to the Caltrans uniform filing system. Upon completion of each project, all hardcopy and electronic documents will be transmitted to CVAG.

Cost Control

We understand the importance of delivering projects within budget. We have a history of completing construction projects on time and within budget. Value engineering is an excellent method to reduce the project costs.

We constantly look for means and methods to reduce the project cost while being thoughtful to not create impacts to the public or the cities. Our team is experienced in identifying and quantifying items to enhance the quality of the project while reducing lifecycle costs. Through partnering, the contractor is encouraged to also find ways and means that benefit both the contractor and CVAG, providing a win—win situation. Using

experience, the CPM schedule and a five-week look-ahead schedule, we are proactive in "looking ahead" of the contractor's operations to identify issues that may impact costs, and we make every effort to provide solutions and present them to CVAG. If an extra cost item cannot be completely eliminated, we evaluate the contractor's change order requests to ascertain validity, merit and appropriate costs based on an independent cost estimate. Contractor monthly pay estimates are reviewed for content and financial accuracy and are certified.

Schedule Control

As discussed in the Cost and Document Control section, our team will review and provide comments to the baseline schedule submitted by the contractor. The team will review and monitor progress on a weekly basis by walking the site and recording actual status and developments. All inspectors will be required to note down the accuracy of the milestones, start and completion dates indicated in the approved baseline schedule.

Anser will review the monthly updates in a timely manner. These updates are critical not only to establish exactly how the project is being built, but also to flag emerging issues and trends. Trend reporting will be used to track the changes in float for all areas of the project, flagging those areas where the available float is indicates lack of progress or exceeding planned progress and to further identify the specific factors that caused the occurrence of the change. This method ensures that problem areas are not overlooked by all stakeholders and are identified prior to the activity becoming critical. The report also provides the explanation of the root causes for a delay in the project and makes it an important defense for future claims.

Any proposed change resulting in altering the critical path or near critical path or extending the schedule completion date that was originally identified in the approved baseline, the contractor will be required to submit a revised schedule and a time impact analysis (TIA) immediately in accordance to the special provisions. Anser will immediately analyze the TIA after an event occurs, and, if possible, prior to the start of the additional work. We will ensure that the review of the TIA is completed prior to the start of the additional work in order to recommend the issuance of the change order to increase the contract duration and price, prior to performing the additional work. We will analyze the effects of events and added work in a timely manner.



PROPOSED ENHANCEMENTS, PROCEDURAL OR TECHNICAL INNOVATIONS (V)

Approach to Civil Integrated Management

Anser effectively leverages tools available today, including bringing our projects successfully into the future by implementing Civil Integrated Management (CIM). CIM is the technology-enabled collection, organization, managed accessibility, and the use of accurate data and information throughout the lifecycle of a project. Our aspirations are to make incremental improvements to functions in workflow and enable full digital workflows from project inception to project delivery.

Our team is encouraged to always find cost and time savings on all projects and CIM is proving to be a true value add to our clients that brings those benefits. We have and continue to work with different technologies that best fit our projects and have identified OpenSpace technology and C-MIS project management software technology to be two tools that we believe can bring value to this project.

Openspace.Ai

OpenSpace is a document control that captures 360 degree images which are then stitched to site plans allowing users to locate exact locations on the plans via the site plan and giving you split screen images of current days activities and any other past day activities in the same exact area. This tool has been proven invaluable in pre-construction services, claims avoidance or dispute resolution and being a historical record, which provides information for as-built designs in the future if needed. Anser is currently using the software on a number of projects including: CV Link with CVAG, the Landis and Georgia-Meade bikeways project, and the Bayshore Bikeway Barrio Logan project, both administered by SANDAG.

By utilizing this software, Anser was successfully able to defend SANDAG who was named as part of a larger accident within the City of San Diego. The claim was made that the George-Meade project had left uneven sidewalk elevations after the project. Through the use of OpenSpace, we were quickly able to go to the exact spot of the claim, pull our pre-construction records, and prove that the uneven sidewalk was an existing conditions within the City right-of-way and that SANDAG was not responsible for any of the damages.

CMIS

CMIS is an online project management software that manages all basic construction management services, such as RFIs, Submittals, Change Orders, and Progress Payments. In addition, all inspector daily diaries are entered through the online system in the field. The major advantage is in searchability of information



which is accessed remotely and immediately. For inspectors this means more field time inspection and less time in the office doing administrative work. This information is accessed by all authorized staff which allows expeditious flow of information thereby expediting responses to questions RFIs and any other question that may impede real time delays to construction. With this software, data can be mined in minutes instead of days, making it much more cost feasible to fight frivolous claims. In addition to using the software for the CVAG CV Link program, Anser is currently utilizing this software for a number of other clients including the County of San Diego and the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority.

Our commitment to our clients is always being proactive in seeking solutions that bring our clients value in assuring project delivery success.

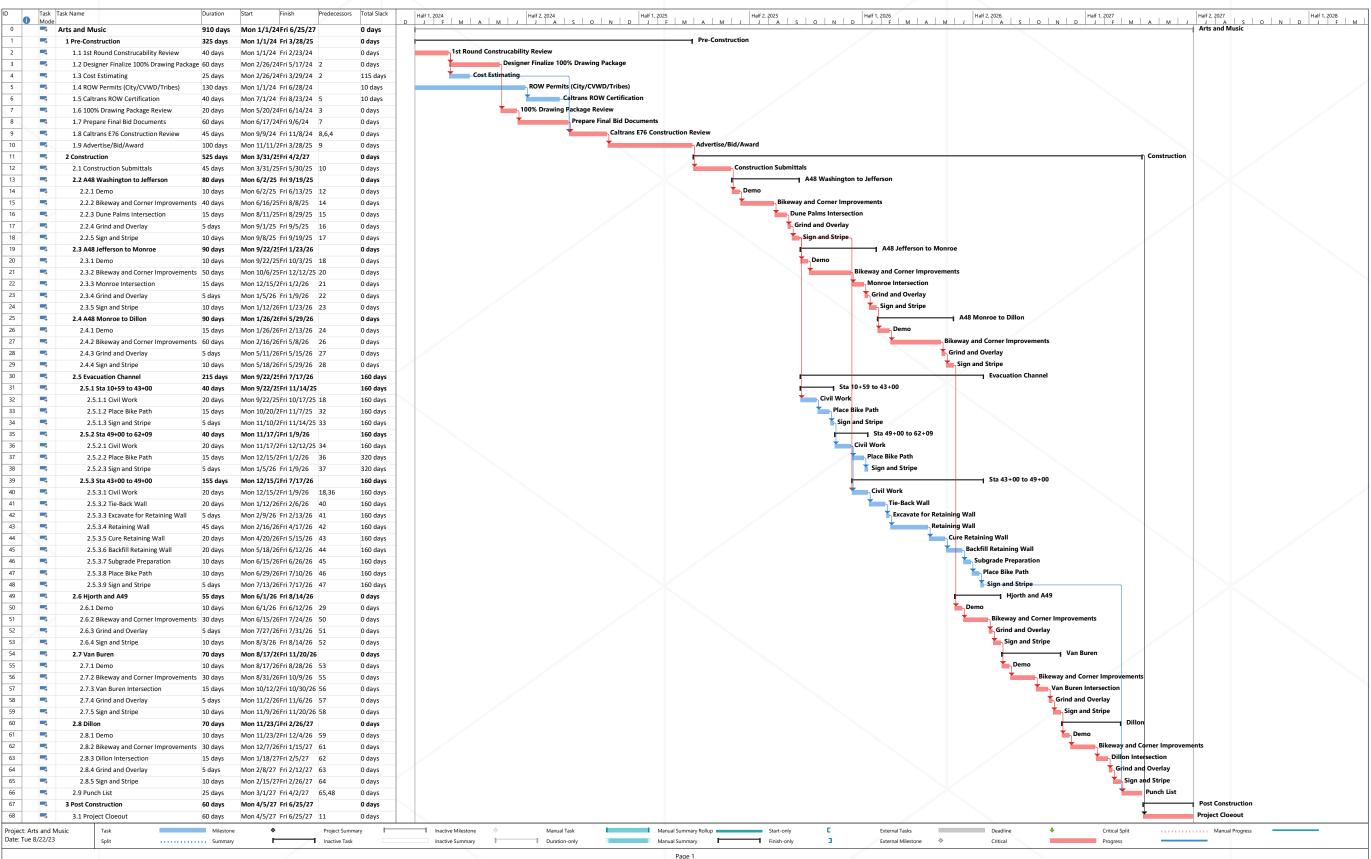
SCHEDULE AND DEADLINES (VI)

As demonstrated throughout various section of this proposal, the Anser team is ready to hit the ground running once we receive our NTP. There is much work to be done so that the project can be advertised in January of 2025 so that construction can begin in Q2 2025. We will immediately begin our constructibility review of the design drawings and provide comments back to the designer. In parallel with our constructibility review, we will also begin our cost estimating services to ensure that costs are lining up with the engineer's estimate. Because there are federal funds on the project, prior to advertisement, a complete package will need to be submitted to Caltrans for review prior to receiving our E76 for construction. Typically this review takes a minimum of 8-weeks, so this package must be submitted by October 2024 to meet the current project schedule.

Below, we have detailed out a preliminary schedule for both pre-construction and construction services. Once additional information is known, this schedule can easily be manipulated and refined for use as we move forward with the project.

Schedule





COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Professional Engineering Services, Arts and Music Line Project



AML SUMMARY OF COSTS

	Pre-Construction &
Company	Bid Services
Anser Advisory	\$314,170.00
Labor	\$299,170.00
ODC's	\$15,000.00
Escalation	
Danken	\$23,061.60
Labor	\$23,061.60
ODC's	
Escalation	
Michael Baker International	\$11,400.00
Labor	\$11,400.00
ODC's	
Escalation	
Burke Rix	\$32,440.00
Labor	\$25,240.00
ODC's	\$7,200.00
Escalation	
Dynamic Engineering Services, Inc.	\$1,482.40
Labor	\$1,482.40
ODC's	
Escalation	
LSA Environmental	\$9,540.00
Labor	\$9,540.00
ODC's	
Escalation	
Earth Systems	\$0.00
Labor	\$0.00
ODC's	
Escalation	
Magana Consulting	\$24,850.00
Labor	\$24,850.00
ODC's	
Escalation	
MLA Consulting Services, Inc.	\$7,500.00
Labor	\$7,500.00
ODC's	
Escalation	
TOTALS:	\$424,444.00
Contigency (20%):	\$84,888.80

Total: \$509,332.80

Attachment A-2

T.Y. Lin International Technical and Fee Proposal





PROJECT UNDERSTANDING

The Arts and Music Line (AML) is a multi-benefit project that will make public safety enhancements for pedestrians and bicyclists, encourage modes of alternative transportation, and create connectivity to local and regional bike and pedestrian infrastructure. When completed, the 10 miles of protected Class I and Class IV bicycle facilities will connect services, and amenities in the area and add to the CV Link's 40-plus mile alternative transportation corridor.

The alignment follows Avenue 48 and Dillon Road through the Cities of La Quinta, Indio, and Coachella. These are busy thoroughfares with vehicle speeds in excess of 50 miles per hour. The much-needed project will create safer routes to schools, promote outdoor recreation, while improving health and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The AML will upgrade the current Class II bike lanes along Avenue 48 to a fully protected Class IV bike lane; construct new Class IV lanes along Hjorth Street, Van Buren Avenue, and Dillon Road; and construct a Class I bike lane along the La Quinta Evacuation Channel, connecting to the CV Link at the Whitewater River. The AML will provide a safe backbone that connects existing Class II bike lanes to provide safe and efficient alternative transportation options to schools, residences, shopping, entertainment, and employment centers. In addition to the transportation benefits, the AML offers architectural features that draw attention and interest while promoting safety. The completed network will be recognized as a nationwide model of alternative transportation.

The work along Avenue 48 involves removing the existing bike lane along Avenue 48, constructing the concrete separation, replacing the road pavement, placing the new bike lane behind the separation, and completing a full width grind and overlay along Avenue 48. This work is



Figure 1. Rendering courtesy of CVAG website

performed on both sides of Avenue 48 for about 2 miles and a single side for about 3.5 miles. It will impact intersections, access to shopping, as well as restrict traffic with construction activity and extended lane closures.

Work along Hjorth Road and Van Buren Street is similar, though these roads are not as busy as Avenue 48. Dillon Road will be reduced from four lanes to two lanes to accommodate the added bike lane and will likely be the least impactful construction location for the project. Work along the La Quinta Channel includes a significant amount of import material and retaining wall construction prior to constructing the bike path base and surface.

A dedicated, focused, and proactive CM team will be needed to smooth the way for the contractor to successfully construct this project. The project success will be largely defined by the timely completion of a quality product and public's perception of the progress and productivity seen during every week of construction.





The TYLin Team has a proven track record of proactive leadership, foreseeing and addressing potential challenges to allow the contractor to continue their work without delay. Typical delays may include unresolved utility conflicts, right-of-way encroachments, inaccuracies in the project plans, alignment issues, unanticipated delays caused by

changes to accommodate public traffic, or extreme weather conditions. Each of these situations can be anticipated and a plan can be formulated to specifically mitigate the impact. Mr. Smith, Mr. Nowak, and the team have demonstrated problem solving skills on these and other similar project impacts throughout their careers.

APPROACH TO COMPLETING THE WORK

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Strong and proactive project management is needed to efficiently execute the required scope of services and successfully construct this project within budget, schedule, and minimal impact to the public. Project Manager, Joseph Smith, PE, has a demonstrated record of meeting and overcoming the issues that will be encountered on this project. Mr. Smith is an experienced construction manager and can quickly understand project issues. He also has personally selected the members of this team, both TYLin staff and sub-consultant support, to meet the specific challenges that may be encountered throughout the project duration.

As Project Manager, Mr. Smith will have ultimate control over the TYLin Team budget. He will also have oversight over Resident Engineer, Thomas Nowak, as he monitors and manages the construction schedule and construction budget. In our experience, cost and schedule control must be exercised every day and be regularly evaluated to assure the final costs are within the budget and the schedule is acceptable once all the unforeseen contingencies are considered. TYLin has maintained our reputation for smooth and efficient project delivery throughout Southern California for 50 years by developing, deploying, and adapting project control tools to monitor budget, schedule, and documents. Each of these is discussed below:



Budget Monitoring & Control I To manage the budget of a given project, TYLin's engineers and project controls staff use data from TYLin's internal accounting system, Deltek Vision, to evaluate progress. The information is updated monthly for the overall scope of services.



Schedule Monitoring & Control I On contractor driven projects, TYLin uses scheduling tools, including Microsoft Project and Primavera P6, for Critical Path Method (CPM) scheduling of the work. The schedule is used to monitor progress throughout the project and is updated monthly or more frequently as needed. Various metrics are analyzed to track schedule performance.



Document Control I TYLin implements a uniform filing system for all documents associated with each task order, including prime agreement; amendments; subconsultant contracts; prevailing wage documents; timesheets and receipts for ODCs.





Managing the contractor's schedule is directly related to managing our level of staffing and the resulting budget.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Nowak will work together to provide an efficient and effect level of staffing to meet the project needs.

Mr. Smith will remain in regular and close contact with Mr. Nowak to provide supervision, consultation, and staffing support to assure that the TYLin work plan is effectively implemented to the satisfaction of CVAG and involved cities. Mr. Smith has worked closely with the Cities of La Quinta, Coachella, and Indio, as well as RCTD, and has a proven reputation of partnering with client agencies to overcome project challenges and deliver successful projects. With Mr. Smith's oversight, Mr. Nowak will provide the level of staff needed to effectively manage the contractor's activities.

Serving as the prime CM firm on more than a dozen projects within Coachella Valley, TYLin has gained experience working closely with IID electrical transmission and distribution divisions; CVWD sewer, irrigation, and potable water departments; and personnel that monitor the CVSC. We have gained experience working in challenging hot-weather and windy conditions, and understand some materials in the region may not be suitable for structure foundations or bike and roadway construction and know when suitable material must be imported.

Mr. Nowak is currently serving as the Resident Engineer and Structure Representative on the Dune Palms Road Bridge project. To allow construction of the bridge within the alignment of the existing roadway, the project utilizes a temporary roadway shoo-fly and temporarily relocates IID distribution to the south within the CVSC. Additionally, Mr. Nowak is overseeing relocation of both water and sewer services at each end of the project, as well as relocation of existing dry utilities in the project footprint.



Figure 2. I-10/Jefferson Street Interchange

Mr. Smith served as Resident Engineer on the Madison Street Canal Improvement project in the City of Indio, responsible for overseeing the construction of a large double-box channel, extension of the canal to the south, temporary relocation of the existing channel utilizing temporary bridges and allowing for upgrades to many of CVWD's existing utilities.

As Project Manager for the I-10/Jefferson Street Interchange (Figure 2), Mr. Smith presented to the leadership team of Golden Voice, the promoter that spearheads the Coachella and Stagecoach music festivals, multiple times over three years to update the group on the changes to traffic patterns within the interchange and to obtain feedback on how the CM team could help improve movement of concertgoers through the interchange over the multiple weekends that are so vital to the economy of the Valley.

Through these many projects TYLin has gained experience with the many stakeholders of the AML and will point this experience towards establishing the best bid set possible and constructing the high-quality transportation link the residents of La Quinta, Indio, and Coachella envision.





BID ADMINISTRATION AND PRE-CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE

Immediately following authorization, the TYLin Team will begin the duties outlined as "Bid Administration and Pre-Construction Assistance." Primary duties include conducting a thorough constructability review of project plans at the 65%, 90%, and 100% level of completion, creating a Construction Communication Plan, and reviewing all environmental permits and required mitigations. Following advertisement, the team will assist with contractor bid administration, to assure all funding requirements are met in accordance with the Caltrans Local Assistance Manual (LAPM) and the manual of Special Funded Projects.

Resident Engineer, Mr. Nowak and Scheduling and Claims expert, Wade Durant, PE will lead the constructability review effort. Both Mr. Nowak and Mr. Durant have over 30 years of road, highway, bridge, and related construction experience with a diverse range of projects. Every one of these projects has included constructability reviews, whether a formal review prior to the start of work, or an ongoing weekly look-ahead review to anticipate potential

contractor problems and solutions. Mr. Nowak and Mr. Durant are intimately familiar with Caltrans standards and specifications and the LAPM.

Their reviews will start with a field visit to understand field conditions and include a complete review of project plans, looking for conflict in details, or the constructability of the work within the actual constraints of the site. Additionally, the plans will be reviewed for "bid-ability" to assure the contractor can be confident that the work is clearly defined, the quantities are accurate and all accounted for, thus reducing risk and yielding a lower bid. At times, if a contractor finds an error in the plans, instead of asking for clarification, they will lower a bid, knowing a contract change order will likely be required from which they will benefit. TYLin has already flown the alignment of the project and has captured video and photos of the project footprint with a drone (Figure 3). This information is always valuable when reviewing project plans and determining whether the design intent can be implemented considering actual field conditions that may have changed during plan development.









Figure 3. Drone images of AML project site.



Project specifications will be reviewed to assure all project special situations or conditions are addressed and captured in bid quantities. This will provide the contractual muscle to the Resident Engineer to enforce the intentions of CVAG and the cities. Typical issues may include allowed hours of work, accommodations for public traffic, or advance notification requirements. Additionally, material specifications may need to be amended to account for extreme desert weather conditions. Examples might include concrete or hot mix asphalt (HMA) placement, visibility of traffic cones and other control materials, limitations to sun exposure of plastic materials such as drainage pipe or wire, or application temperatures for pavement striping.

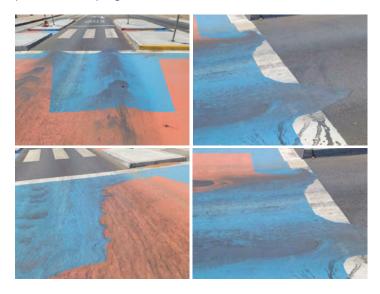


Figure 4. Extreme heat caused thermoplastic melting. To prevent this, we will assure manufacturers provide necessary details for the application processes, including minimum and maximum temperature application, type of application method, thickness tolerances, and protection time before traffic allowed on the applied markings.

Project quantity estimate will be verified. A savvy contractor will over-bid items that will likely over-run and under-bid items that will likely under-run. This practice is a form of unbalanced bidding and can occur on seemingly minor items such as temporary pavement striping. It is bad enough if the final quantity is twice the estimated amount, but when the contractor has increased his bid, knowing that the quantity would over-run, the cost impacts are significant. A confirmation of the estimated quantities will eliminate this opportunity for the contractor and assure

a balanced and competitive bid from all contractors. As one of the premier engineering design firms in California, TYLin has a depth of resources available for analyzing plans and bid documents. Our CM team enjoys a symbiotic relationship with TYLin civil and structures designers, routinely exchanging ideas and seeking solutions to challenging project issues. In addition, TYLin has a national cost estimating and risk management group within the CM sector that will be available to Mr. Nowak and Mr. Durant as they verify estimates and appropriate bid values.

TYLin has provided support to many agencies through the advertisement, pre-bid meeting, bidder questions and addenda, bid opening, bid analysis, and recommendation for award. The process is well defined in the Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual (LAPM) (Figure 5). Additionally, Mr. Magaña with Magaña Consulting Services will assist the team with reviewing any specific funding requirements are implemented to assure all requirements are met prior to recommendation for award of the construction contract.



Figure 5. TYLin and its subconsultants are all familiar with the Caltrans LAPM and processes.

Mr. Smith, Mr. Nowak, and Mr. Durant will work side-by-side with CVAG and the design engineers as questions come in during bid time. They will assist in validating questions from contractors and provide content for appropriate responses along with recommendations of where plans, specifications, and bid quantities must be revised. Time is of the essence when a project is out to bid, and our team will work as



many hours as necessary to allow CVAG to maintain timely responses to questions and the overall bid schedule.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Nowak will conduct the pre-bid meeting along with CVAG representatives and design personnel. Exhibits will be created to clearly define the project and an agenda will be created for review and approval by CVAG prior to issuance in the meeting invite.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Public outreach will be a critical component of the preconstruction activities. An effective project communication plan will inform and excite the public for the upcoming project and provide a proven framework to communicate throughout the duration of the project. The TYLin Team includes Connect and Company (Connect) to develop and lead an effective outreach plan for the AML. The plan will follow proven protocol used on the Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project in Mecca; the Herbert Hoover Pedestrian Improvement Project with a Safe Routes for All outreach in Indio; and currently on the Dune Palms Bridge Replacement project with TYLin in La Quinta. The protocol includes:



Develop a targeted, measurable Construction Communications Plan in coordination with the client/CVAG.



Research key stakeholders and the target audience to develop and maintain a solid working database.



Reach out and host meetings early to inform key contacts (emergency services/key stakeholders) and to establish communication, address concerns, build trust, and tap into their network.



Complete boots-on-the-ground outreach to impacted residents and businesses (door-to-door, pop-up events, community events/meetings). This may occur in phases based on the construction schedule.



Provide timely, accurate and accessible information for the duration of the project using collateral with clear and concise text and simple graphics.



Respond immediately to questions and concerns; document resolution.



Serve as both a community resource and a liaison to the construction team representing public point of view.

We've found that if we do the work to know our audience and make connections up front—fostering two-way open communication with the public—our team is able to build trust and troubleshoot small problems before they escalate.

Project Pacing

Following this tested outreach protocol, we typically spend a large chunk of time completing the first 4 steps shown above, followed by a groundbreaking event before construction starts. As the project moves out of the start-up phase, outreach moves into "maintenance mode" and our monthly budget reduces. The team remains ready to

ramp-up outreach efforts for traffic pattern changes, large paving operations or any outreach needs that come up as the project continues. When the project nears completion, Connect will start planning a unique, interesting, and safe ribbon cutting event, coordinating with local organizations and giving back to the community when possible.

Communications Plan

Connect will draw on the team's years of experience working with cities, public agencies, non-profits and on transportation infrastructure projects to design a unique, measurable and appropriate communications plan for the AML.





- The plan will follow our protocol and include a groundbreaking event, collateral development and project start up; an emergency services and stakeholder meeting; community meetings and/or popup events; ongoing outreach as the project progresses to different locations; and ongoing coordination with emergency services, local cities, public information officers (PIO) and City Engineers.
- Connect will also include a media relations section to engage local media through photo opportunities, events or tours; and an emergency communications plan that will include protocol about notifying and speaking with the media, working with local PIOs and internal emergency communications protocol.
- Connect recently completed a project in the City of Indio with the County Health Safe Routes for All program and is incorporating the program into two additional projects currently under construction. Our team will coordinate with CVAG and County Health to incorporate the non-infrastructure activities and possible media opportunities.



Figure 6. Connect & Co has extensive experience developing outreach materials in both English and Spanish.

COLLATERAL

Connect's public outreach manager and in-house graphic designer will develop and deliver clean and clear, English and Spanish collateral materials to meet the unique needs of the AML project. The Connect team will work closely with the CM team and CVAG staff with approval processes in place to assure collateral are accurate and meet expectations.

- » Collateral could include a fact sheet, door hangers, post cards, construction alerts, construction cards, signs/banners, newsletters, advertisements, PowerPoint presentations, project boards, etc.
- » We will also develop and manage a webpage on the CVAG website to provide the most updated information.
- » Our team will create unique project social media pages and create weekly social posts with video photos and will monitor the comments to respond if necessary.
- » Connect can also manage social media boosting/ advertising if agreed upon with CVAG.

ADDRESSING ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS AND MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS

The TYLin Team includes ECORP to lead in understanding all environmental restrictions and concerns and enforce the required mitigation. ECORP has assisted TYLin on numerous projects in the lower desert over the past 10 years, including I-10/Jefferson Street Interchange, City of Indio Retrofits, and Dune Palms Road Bridge.

environmental conditions stipulated in regulatory permits and/or agreements for specific projects, plans, and programs. Their team includes senior and expert personnel with experience with the federal Clean Water Act, Porter-Cologne Act, federal and state ESAs, the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and the California Fish and Game Code. ECORP's project managers and technical experts routinely meet with regulatory agency personnel on site or in meetings to negotiate, review and discuss permit conditions and the associated schedules, monitoring, and





implementation. ECORP routinely assists with creation of a permit compliance matrix for clients.

ECORP's compliance specialists prepare and implement worker education programs in English and Spanish, conduct comprehensive pre-construction surveys, and monitor during construction activities, as well as prepare the associated survey and monitoring reports. The firm works closely with the client and the construction contractors to establish the correct timing, schedule, and level of effort required for both pre-construction surveys and construction monitoring. ECORP's compliance specialists and monitors are well-informed about all aspects of the projects and permit conditions prior to the implementation of the projects so they can ensure compliance with the permit conditions. They also prepare the variety of plans typically required by permit conditions, such as Nesting Bird Management Plans, Protected Species Plans, Habitat Restoration Plans, HMMPs, Invasive Plant Species Management Plans, and Conceptual Mitigation Packages. ECORP's biological monitors are also experienced in conducting species relocation, monitoring the installation and maintenance of Best Management Practices (BMP) and exclusion devices, and completing all reporting prior to the due dates listed in the permit conditions.

A cursory review of the project documents indicates the following potential environmental restrictions that may constrain the construction schedule:

Biological

Burrowing owl (Athene cunicularia): a State Species of Special Concern, breeding season is generally Feb 1 to August 31 (CDFW Staff Report). If burrowing owls are found within the vicinity during pre-construction biological surveys, then the project has a limited time of the year that work could occur within so many feet of the owls (this would be in the Streambed Alteration Agreement (1600 permit). From our knowledge of the area, we do know burrowing owls occupy the Whitewater River/CVSC at Dillon Road and Jefferson

Street. Project permits may require a 250-foot buffer during breeding season and a 160-foot buffer during non-breeding season (can vary depending on the permit). CDFW coordination and concurrence to either passively relocate the owls or negotiate a reduced buffer may be required for work to occur in these areas adjacent to occupied owl habitat. Passive relocation of burrowing owl typically can only occur outside of their breeding season and requires the creation of a Burrowing Owl Exclusion Plan for the project.

Nesting birds: Cliff swallows nest at many of the bridges along the Whitewater River/CVSC. They typically arrive in March and nest until the end of June/ beginning of July. There could be seasonal restrictions related to work occurring within a certain distance of Dillon Road and Jefferson Street/La Quinta Bridges. With other projects, it has been easier to avoid their nesting season for those areas rather than implement abatement measures.

Cultural

Our cultural resources team did a preliminary review and did not find any seasonal restrictions related to cultural or tribal resources other than weather which could affect the project schedule overall.

General

From ECORP's knowledge and experience of projects in the area, the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival (typically in mid-April) can cause schedule delays due to traffic issues and restrictions upon limiting traffic in the area.

Each environmental permit must be closed to the satisfaction of the issuing agency prior the completion of the project. ECORP specialists including biologists and archaeologists will review all important permits related to environmental compliance for this project and determine which requirements need to be met during project closeout. ECORP will conduct final site inspections and will provide the necessary final reports and annual reports to meet close-out conditions as required by project permits.





These reports will first be provided to CVAG for review and approval, before submission to the appropriate agency.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT - RESIDENT ENGINEER

Following the award of the construction contract and prior to the first working day, Resident Engineer, Mr. Nowak, PE, will prepare the TYLin Team for the task of providing professional and consistent construction management. Processes will be implemented, forms will be created, recurring tasks will be identified and assigned with defined deadlines and deliverables. Mr. Nowak is perfectly suited for this role. As demonstrated by his wide variety of experience, he has the ability to implement comprehensive QA, financial management, and communication practices,

while at the same time, working closely with the contractor in partnership to deliver the most practical and effective solutions to daily project challenges.

Prior to the Notice to Proceed (NTP), Mr. Nowak will schedule a pre-construction meeting with the contractor and all stakeholders. Contract expectations will be clearly laid out during this meeting. Contractor responsibilities will be identified that conform with the Caltrans Construction Manual. Practices following a regular monthly schedule throughout the contract with required deliverables will be defined and clearly communicated to the contractor, with defined responsibilities.

Typical recurring tasks throughout the project are listed below, with frequency, and responsibility identified:

		DELIVERABLE				
ITEM	FREQUENCY	CONTRACTOR	CM TEAM			
Monthly estimate	Monthly	Quantity request	Quantity authorization			
Coordination meetings	Weekly	Look ahead schedule	Minutes			
Certified payrolls	Monthly	Payroll records	Review and confirm			
SWPPP review	Annual, at events, weekly	Required report	Review and confirm			
Partnering	Quarterly	Project status	Project status			
Requests for information (RFI)	As needed	Clear question	Timely and clarifying response			
Submittals	As required	Timely, complete submittal	Timely response			
Progress schedules	Initial baseline with monthly updates	Monthly	15 days following submittals			
Record drawings	Regularly	Maintain current markups	Maintain current markups			

Additionally, during this pre-construction period, templates will be developed, and file folders will be created to manage the information developed throughout the duration of the project. Financial oversight and quality control of materials and workmanship are based upon monitoring activities every day and having the ability to access the detailed information and confirm the quality of workmanship and materials is satisfactory, any errors have been corrected, and quantities to be paid for the month are constructed in accordance with the project specifications.

The TYLin Team regularly uses the Caltrans filing system with 63 different categories to comprehensively track

the progress of the project and confirm the quality of construction and the financial accuracy of all payments.

Following the Notice to Proceed (NTP), project pre-planning and preparation is complete, and it is "Go Time." The project moves forward per the contractor's approved baseline CPM schedule and a rhythm of daily, weekly, and monthly duties begins to develop. Local traffic impacts due to school schedules and music festivals will be factored into the contractor's work schedule. As Resident Engineer, Mr. Nowak will be responsible to confirm and assure that the contractor is meeting all contractual obligations, QA, and at the same time eliminating obstructions to project progress, partnering contribution.





QUALITY, SCHEDULE AND BUDGET CONTROL

TYLin implements a quality control plan on all projects consisting of construction services that follow recognized procedures including detailed checklists and documentation that closely follow the Caltrans Construction Manual. The first page of TYLin's Construction Management Quality Assurance Plan summarizes our plan as follows:

TYLin's quality assurance program (QAP) is employed to ensure a successful and correctly managed construction

project and to assure our client's best interests are being cared for. Our QAP is separated into three segments to validate documentation, submittals and the inspection of field work and materials. The first segment addresses the overseeing of the office level documentations, the second segment is employed to ensure all submittals are properly reviewed and verified prior to approval. The last segment is to verify all field work and materials are being approved and documented.





Submittals



Contractor Performance and Incorporated Materials

Documentation

QA of the CM process ensures all office level documentations are reviewed and verified by a colleague for accurateness and completeness. Examples of documents slated for this level of review are CCOs/RFIs, monthly billing estimates and quantity sheets. Also periodic spot checking of daily documentation to ensure that the record of activities and work completed is well documented in writing and pictures at the Resident Engineer's discretion.

Submittals

The second segment of our QAP is the validation of our submittal review process. TYLin has QA checklists for various submittals set up to ensure that all aspects of a submittal have been checked and verified and the review has been conducted accurately and in its totality. Some examples of checklists for submittal review are: posttensioning shop drawing, falsework submittals, temporary shoring, MSE walls, pile placement plan, and concrete mix designs. These QA checklists will be filled out by the reviewer and placed in the job files. When submittals are reviewed by a junior engineer, a licensed engineer will spot check their work and verify any comments.

Contractor Performance and Incorporated Materials

The third segment of our QAP is the inspection and verification of all materials and work that occurs on the job site. We have modified our construction procedures manual to encompass all tasks associated with bridge and roadway related inspection work. This is the first line of reference to execute our tasked duties. This manual, coupled with the contract specifications and the agency's governing specifications, will ensure all work is inspected and verified to an acceptable level.

The utilization of our QAP will ensure a successfully managed project and assure our clients that we are correctly overseeing and controlling the project.

TYLin team members understand the importance of delivering quality services and products for our clients. Our team understands the connection between quality and cost control on a project, and we believe work must be performed, inspected, and documented properly the first time to avoid errors and schedule delays to successfully deliver a project.

The practice of quality assurance is accomplished by review of the contractor's submittals and field work to assure





the contractor's Quality Control Plan is being followed. A sufficient level of qualified staffing needs to be maintained to meet the varying levels of work that is ongoing. A proposed staffing plan is included in this proposal to reflect how CM staffing might be scheduled to meet a proposed contractor work plan. However, Mr. Nowak will regularly review the workload facing his team and assign duties to qualified staff to confirm contractor adherence to project specifications.

TYLin's workplan to assure compliance to the contract standards is based on the Caltrans Construction Manual and recognized professional practices to meet the needs of CVAG, the Cities of La Quinta, Coachella, Indio, RCTD, as well as residents and business owners.

Quality oversight duties of the Resident Engineer and CM team include:

- » Project Safety
- » Stormwater Compliance
- » Contract Change Order Control
- » Submittal Review
- » Material Testing
- » Monthly Progress Payments

- » Traffic Control
- » Environmental Compliance
- » Payroll and DBE Compliance
- » RFI Review and Response
- » Public Safety
- » Impacts to Local Schools

Partnering

Whenever unforeseen conditions are discovered that could possibly impede the contractor's work, it is Mr. Nowak's project centered priority to help resolve the situation to eliminate, or minimize additional cost, or project delay. These conditions are typically documented by a formal RFI from the contractor, but are initially identified by either the contractor, or the CM team. Most often these issues come to the attention of the team following careful review of project plans in anticipation of the upcoming work considering potential impediments.

Along with implementing formal partnering in accordance with the project specifications, Mr. Nowak will demonstrate his "project first" priority and proactively work to address

challenges to the project. This priority will build trust between the contractor and the TYLin Team, resulting in swift conflict resolution, fewer change orders, and a collaborative work environment.

As a good project partner, Mr. Nowak will work with the contractor and other stakeholders to resolve conflicts and provide the contractor a path to continue his work without delay or added effort. Some sources of conflict may include:

- » Delayed utility relocations
- » Differing site conditions
- » Plan changes initiated by the owner
- » Special public events

Reporting

Mr. Nowak will produce a monthly report to update CVAG on the project status. The report will include the status of the project schedule, (days completed versus days remaining), project budget, (dollars spent, versus dollars remaining), and percent of work completed to date. There will be a description of the location and type of work completed during the past period, and the work expected to be completed during the upcoming period. The report will also include a listing and status of all project change orders and any potential change orders, as well as a discussion of current or anticipated project issues and any potential claims.

Construction Management - Construction Inspection

The TYLin team's primary responsibility is to assure project plans and specifications, including all referenced standards, are safely performed in the field every day. This and in-person oversight is performed by our field inspectors. Typically, our field inspector will meet with the contractor's field crews at the beginning of each shift and gain a clear understanding of the work planned for the day including what items of work are planned to be accomplished. They will learn the names of the crew that is working, the









Figure 7. The planned dramatic outcome for the CV link will be achieved by daily, consistent, and professional oversight and construction management. Renderings courtesy of CVAG website.

equipment that is to be used, any traffic control that will be implemented, any anticipated closures to roads or private access, what potential critical operations are anticipated, if specialty subcontractors are anticipated, what material testing is anticipated, and what full-time inspection will be required. A field inspector may be covering two or more different crews and need to alternate attention between different activities throughout the day. Field Inspectors will work with assistance of our Resident Engineer and Office Engineer to ensure approved submittals are being followed and approved and accepted materials are being incorporated into the work and plan changes are being implemented.

Material testing will be scheduled in advance to assure materials are installed to the proper compaction and grade, concrete is the approved mix design and within specification for temperature and age, and HMA is the approved mix design and placed per project specifications for temperature and compaction. In the event of full-time inspection for placement of concrete or HMA paving, the team will coordinate staffing to meet project requirements and assure contractor compliance.

The activities of each day of contractor work will be fully documented on inspector daily diaries. Daily diaries will include all contractor staff and equipment, the hours worked, which items of work were performed, and the limits of work. The quantities of work will be documented as well as any testing that was performed, any non-

conforming work that was corrected, any discussions with the contractor that were held, and any issues or potential issues that were encountered or anticipated. These daily diaries are the foundation of our QA oversight. Based on the daily activities, summary sheets are built to document material testing, monthly payments, Q-Sheets, payroll monitoring, safety compliance, and tracking the beginnings of contract change orders.

Our Field Inspectors will provide daily photographs that document the existing status of landscaping, pavement, concrete, and other facilities prior to construction activities. If the contractor's work unnecessarily damages existing facilities, the daily report will prove highly valuable in resolving any dispute by the contractor. Equally, the contractor will be protected from false accusations if existing conditions are sub-standard.

The material testing schedule is typically the responsibility of the contractor. Tests are required to be scheduled 48 hours in advance to assure that testers can be on site. Our Field Inspector will work with the contractor to be sure delays to testing avoid impacting the contractor's schedule. In the same way, he will also assure the contractor does not over-schedule testers for his convenience and impact the tester's (and CVAG's) budget.

All non-conforming work will be immediately communicated to the contractor and asked to be removed or corrected. It is typically corrected immediately; however,





when correction is delayed, our inspector will document the location and the issue with a non-conformance-report (NCR), which will require a specific and documented reinspection prior to acceptance of the work.

In addition to the daily ongoing items of work, our inspectors will continually review traffic control, SWPPP compliance, and safety practices throughout the project. Depending on the specific issue observed, the inspector will direct the contractor to correct an infraction immediately, by the end of the day, or by the end of the week. These observations will be forwarded to Mr. Nowak to be noted and addressed at the weekly construction progress meeting.

PROJECT CLOSEOUT AND ACCEPTANCE:

As the project approaches completion, Mr. Nowak and the team will begin the process of project closeout. Material testing sheets will be reviewed to assure there are no outstanding NCRs, submittal and RFI logs will be reviewed for completeness, payroll logs will be reviewed for completeness, and a proposed final estimate will be compiled for the contractor's review.

The contractor's acceptance of the final estimate is his acknowledgement that he agrees to the payment for all the work performed including all change orders and claims. Any outstanding payroll records will be submitted, and potential liens will be released.

All maintenance and operation manuals will be confirmed to have been submitted. The final project walk will generate a final punchlist. The Cities of La Quinta, Coachella, and Indio will have input for their jurisdictions. Once the work is satisfactorily completed, the project can be recommended for acceptance to CVAG.

SCHEDULE

Our proposed project schedule can be found on the following page.

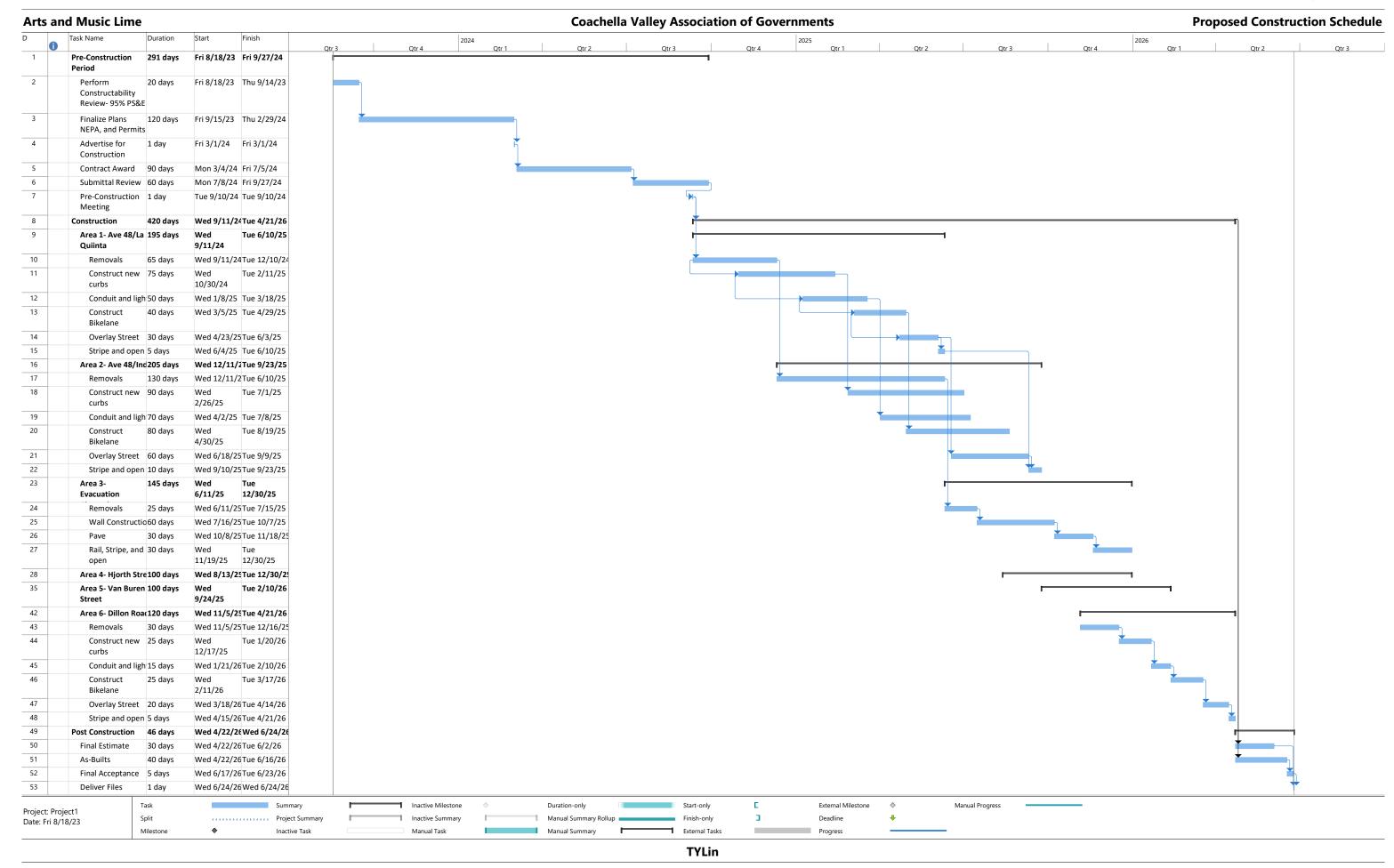
ASSUMPTIONS

- » The contractor will perform work during the Caltrans Working Day calendar.
- » The contractor will procure long lead items as early as possible. (e.g. traffic signals)
- » City and County Traffic Control Plans will need City and County approval prior to construction.
- » All utilities (electrical, irrigation piping) will be installed after surface removals for the various areas are complete but prior to construction of roadways.
- » The grind and overlay work performed near active roadways, (single lane), will minimally disrupt traffic.

- » Grind and overlay, construction of the new bike paths, retaining wall construction, bridge, and traffic signal work may take place concurrently in different locations.
- » The NEPA permit will be obtained after 90% design is reviewed but before 100% design is submitted.
- » The contractor will have multiple crews available to work at any given time.
- » No dewatering is required.
- » The total duration for construction including closeout activities will be 21 months, about 420 working days.
- » TYLin constructability reviews will take place after 65%, 90% and 100% design is submitted.
- » The contractor will need 2 months for submittals and City and County Traffic Controls Plan approvals after contract award and prior to NTP









HOURLY RATES

		20	25	20	26
NAME	TITLE	FULLY LOADED HOURLY RATE	FULLY LOADED PREVAILING WAGE RATE	FULLY LOADED HOURLY RATE	FULLY LOADED PREVAILING WAGE RATE
TYLin					
Joseph Smith, PE, CCM	Project Manager	\$326.81	-	\$339.88	-
Thomas Nowak, PE, QSD	Resident Engineer/Structure Rep.	\$256.20	-	\$266.45	-
Abigail Manriquez	Office Engineer	\$129.56	\$178.00	\$134.74	\$178.00
Alejandro Armendariz	Structural/Const. Inspector	\$149.43	\$182.73	\$155.41	\$182.73
Curis Musashi, EIT	Structural/Const. Inspector	\$129.35	\$176.70	\$134.52	\$176.70
AIX					
Robert Delgado	Inspector/Safety	\$205.70	-	\$213.93	-
Frank Duffy	Lead Inspector	\$205.70	\$178.50	\$213.93	\$178.50
CONNECT AND CORPORATION					
Andrea Suarez	Outreach Director-FT	\$170.00	-	\$176.80	-
Jessica Sanchez	Outreach Specialist- FT	\$90.00	-	\$93.60	-
Christine Feldman	Creative Director/Graphic Design- PT	\$110.00	-	\$114.40	-
Jenessa Sanchez	Outreach Coodinator- PT	\$51.00	-	\$53.04	-
DESI					
John Kannor	Sr. Electrical Inspector	\$162.14	\$178.50	\$168.63	\$175.50
Michael Roush	Electrical Inspector	\$162.14	\$178.50	\$168.63	\$175.50
Chia-Chi Wang	Labor Compliance Officer	\$185.32	-	\$192.73	-
ECORP					
Kevin Israel	Environmental Manager	\$160.00	-	\$166.40	-
Wendy Turner	Senior Biologist	\$160.00	-	\$166.40	-
Sonia Sifuentes	Cultural Resources Task Manager	\$160.00	-	\$166.40	-
Jesus "Freddie" Olmos	Principal Environmental Planner	\$210.00	-	\$218.40	-
Seth Myers	Air Quality/Noise Task Manager	\$195.00	-	\$202.80	-
Caroline Garcia	Lead Biological Monitor	\$106.74	-	\$111.01	-
Robert Cunningham	Archaeology Support	\$110.50	-	\$114.92	-
Julian Acuna	Lead Archaeological Monitor	\$106.74	-	\$111.01	-
Scott taylor	Aquatic Resources Specialist	\$161.73	-	\$168.20	-
Samantha Alfaro	CEQA Support	\$90.83	-	\$94.46	-
Marc Guidry	GIS	\$158.63	-	\$164.98	-
Torrey Rotellini	GIS	\$96.33	-	\$100.18	-
Jackie McComas	Admin	\$110.56	-	\$114.98	-
Laura Hesse	Publications	\$112.66	-	\$117.17	-
GEOCON					





		202	25	202	26
NAME	TITLE	FULLY LOADED HOURLY RATE	FULLY LOADED PREVAILING WAGE RATE	FULLY LOADED HOURLY RATE	FULLY LOADED PREVAILING WAGE RATE
MICHAEL BAKER					
Jarrad Truman, PLS	Lead Surveyor	\$275.00	-	\$286.00	-
Christopher Albert, PLS	Lead Surveyor	\$300.00	-	\$312.00	-
Steven Chi, PLS	Field Supervisor	\$185.00	-	\$192.40	-
ZT CONSULTING					
Farzad Tabihgoo	Principal Engineer	\$206.30	-	\$214.55	-
Derick Hobbs	SMR/ Quality Engineer	\$128.36	-	\$133.49	-
Andrew Soria	Lead Precast QA Inspector	\$136.39	-	\$141.85	-
William Kent	Lead QA Inspector	\$173.06	-	\$179.98	-
Eric Sanabria	QA Inspector	\$120.34	-	\$125.15	-
Nathan Liszewski	QA Inspector	\$128.36	-	\$133.49	-
MAGANA CONSULTING					
Martin Magana	President/ Construction Liaison	\$175.00	-	\$182.00	-







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GEOTECHNICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MATERIALS

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	
Word Processor/Non-Technical Assistant/Draftsman	
Engineering Assistant/Lab Technician	\$90/hr.
Engineering Field Technician	*80/hr.
Senior Field Technician	*80/hr.
Special Inspector (Concrete, Rebar, Masonry, Welding, etc.)	*90/hr.
Field Technician Supervisor	*120/hr.
Staff Engineer/Geologist	*125/hr.
Sr. Staff Engineer/Geologist	*135/hr.
Project Engineer/Geologist	*145/hr.
Senior Project Engineer/Geologist	*155/hr.
Senior Engineer/Geologist	*165/hr.
Associate Engineer/Geologist	*175hr.
Principal Engineer/Geologist/Litigation Support	400/hr.
Attorney Fees (General)	
Deposition or Court Appearance	
Overtime/Saturday Rate/Night Rate (7pm – 6am w/ 8 Hr minimum per call out)	1.5 X Regular Hourly Rate
Sunday and Holiday Rate	2 X Regular Hourly Rate
Minimum Field Services Fee per call-out, 4 hrs (if 4 hrs or less), 8 hrs (if more than 4 hrs and less than 8 hrs)	
Short-Notice Cancellation 4 hrs (if after 4 pm of the day prior to the scheduled inspection time)	
Short-Notice Cancellation, 4 hrs (upon or after arrival at jobsite)	
*Prevailing Wage (PW) California Labor	Code §1720, et. Seq. add \$45/hr.

TRAVEL	
	Regular Hourly Rate Ouote Based on Location 0.75/mile
EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS	
*Nuclear Density Gauge/Sand Cone Testing Equipment\$10/hr. *Vehicle\$10/hr.	Water Buffalo\$75/ea. Battery-Powered Pump\$100/day
*Special Inspection Equipment\$5/hr.	Water Level Indicator\$50/day
Coring Machine (concrete, asphalt, masonry)\$285/day Generator\$150/day	Perforated 3" PVC Pipe
Double Ring Infiltrometer\$200/day	Sand\$30/bag
GPS Unit\$175/day Pick-up Truck\$150/day	AC Cold Patch\$30/bag Quick Set PCC Patch \$30/bag
Mobile Laboratory with Lab Technician\$1,650/day	Temp Marking Paint\$15/can
Drive-Tube Sampler	Lath Bundle \$100/ea. Air Compressor \$150/day
Dynamic Cone Penetrometer \$250/day	Soil Sample Tube\$15/ea.
Manometer\$100/day Schmidt Hammer\$100/day	Percussion Hammer Drill ^{\$} 125/day
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GEOTECHNICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MATERIALS

LABORATORY TESTS

COMPACTION CURVES	
(D698/D1557/T99/T108) 4-inch mold	\$220
(D698/D1557/T99/T108) 6-inch mold	\$230
(CT 216) California Impact	\$230
Check Point	\$100
(D1632/CT312) Soil Cement Cyl. Fabrication (Set of 3)	\$150
(D1632/CT312) Soil Cement Cyl. Fabrication (Addtl. Spec.)	\$50
(D1633/CT312) Soil Cement Comp. Strength (Set of 3)	\$300
(D1633/CT312) Soil Cement Comp. Strength (Addtl. Spec.)	\$100
SOIL AND AGGREGATE STABILITY	
(D2844/CT301) Resistance Value	\$290
(D2844/CT301) Resistance Value, Treated	\$295
(D1883) California Bearing Ratio	\$530
(C977) Stabilization Ability of Lime	\$185
(D1883) Calif. Bearing Ratio (Army Corp of Engineers)	\$105
CHEMICAL ANALYSIS	
(G187/CT643/T288) pH and Resistivity	\$135
(D4972/T289) pH Only	\$30
(CT417) Sulfate Content	\$100
(CT422) Chloride Content	\$55
(D2974) Organic Content	\$50
PERMEABILITY, CONSOLIDATION AND EXPANSION	
(D5084) Permeability, Flexible Wall	\$270
(D5856) Permeability, Rigid Wall	\$260
(D2434) Permeability, Constant Head	\$280
(D2434) Permeability, FHA Slab-on-Grade	\$110
(D2434) Permeability, Hourly	\$55
(D2435/T216) Consolidation (6 pts. w/ Unload)	\$350
(D2435/T216) Consolidation Additional Point w/ Unload	\$65
(D4546) Swell/Compression Testing & Density	\$120
(D4546) Swell/Settlement Testing & Density (ea. addtl. pt.)	\$85
(D4546) Swell/Settlement Testing & Density (County)	\$100
(D4546) Swell/Settlement Testing & Density (FHA)	\$90
(D4829) Expansion Index of Soils	\$160

SOIL AND AGGREGATE PROPERTIES	
(D422/T88) Particle Size, Hydrometer w/out Sieve	\$165

(C136/D6913/T27) Sieve, Coarse to Fine w/ #200 Wash	\$150
(C136/D6913/T27) Sieve, Coarse or Fine w/ #200 Wash	\$115
(C136/D6913/T27) Sieve, Coarse or Fine No #200 Wash	\$100
(C117/D1140/T11) Materials Finer than #200	\$90
(D2216/T265/CT226) Moisture Content	\$30
(D2487/D2488) Visual Soil Classification	\$30
(D2937) Density of In-Place Soil, Drive-Cyl. Method	\$45
(D4943) Shrinkage Factors of Soils, Wax Method	\$55
(C131/C535/CT211) L.A. Abrasion Resistance	\$200
(C142/T112) Clay Lumps and Friable Particles	\$170
(C123/T113) Light Weight Particles	\$245
(D3744/CT229/T210) Durability Index Fine	\$190
(D3744/CT229/T210) Durability Index Coarse	\$225
(CT227) Cleanness Value	\$170
(D4791) Flat & Elongated Particles	\$165
(D693/CT205) Percent Crushed Particles	\$145
(D5821) Percent. of Fractured Particles, Coarse Aggregate	\$140
(C40/CT213/T21) Organic Impurities	\$75
(C235) Soft Hardness (Scratch Hardness)	\$100
(C88/CT214/T104) Sulfate Soundness	\$410
(C1252/T304) Uncompact. Void Content, Fine Aggregate	\$150
(C127/CT206/T85) Coarse Specific Gravity	\$125
(C128/CT207/T84) Fine Specific Gravity	\$150
(D854/CT209/T100) Specific Gravity of Soil	\$150
(C29/CT212/T19) Unit Weight & Percent Voids	\$90
(D2419/CT217/T176) Sand Equivalent	\$110
(D4318/CT204/T89/T90) Plastic Index (Plastic/Liq. Limit)	\$165
(D4318/CT204/T89) Liquid Limit	\$95
(D4318/CT204/T90) Plastic Limit	\$95
(C330) Spec. for Lightweight Aggregates, Struc. Concrete	Quote
SHEAR STRENGTH	
(D2166) Unconfined Compression	\$100
(D3080/T236) Direct Shear (3 points)	\$295
(D3080/T236) Remolded Direct Shear (3 points)	\$300
(D3080/T236) Direct Shear Addtl. Points/ea. residual pass	\$115
(D2850) Unconsolidated-Undrained Triaxial Shear	\$160
(D2580) Unconsolidated-Undrained Triaxial Staged	\$160
(D4767) Consolidated-Undrained Triaxial Shear	\$26 ⁵
(D4767) Consolidated-Undrained Triaxial Staged	\$340
(EM1110) Consolidated-Drained Triaxial Shear	\$375
(EM1110) Consolidated-Drained Triaxial Staged	\$480





LABORATORY TESTS (CONTINUED)

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GEOTECHNICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MATERIALS

(A370) Bend Test • #11 Bar & Smaller......\$50 (A370) Tensile - Mechanically Spliced Bar • #11 Bar & Smaller.....\$150 • #14 Bar & Larger.....\$190 (A370) Tensile – Electric Resist. Butt Splice w/ Control...............\$150 (A370) Straightening of bar (if required)......\$25 Structural Steel Tests: • (A370) Machining & Prep of Test Specimen Cost + 20% • (A370) Tensile Strength & Elongation Up to 200,000 lbs.....\$100 200,000 – 300,000 lbs. \$125 300.000 – 400.000 lbs. \$150 Pre-stressing Wire & Tendon Tests: • (A421) Tensile Strength, Single Wire.....\$150 • (A416) Tensile Strength, 7-Wire Strand......\$175 High Strength Bolt, Nut, & Washer Tests: • (A563) Proof Load Test on Nuts\$100 • (A325/A490) Hardness Test on Bolts\$50 • (A536) Hardness Test on Nuts.....\$50 • (F436) Hardness Test on Washers......\$50 Weld Specimen Tests: • (E164) Ultrasonic Examination......Quote Machining & Prep of Test Specimen Cost + 20% • (E381) Macrotech Test (3 Faces)\$355 **ASPHALT TESTING** Asphalt Properties: • (D2726/CT308/T166) Bulk Spec. Grav., Compacted HMA \$100 • (D2041) Theoretical Max Specific Gravity\$145 • (D5444) Sieve Analysis of Extracted Asphalt......\$150 • (D6307/CT382) Percent Asphalt, Ignition Method\$150 • (D1188) Unit Weight of Asphalt Core......\$65 MISCELLANEOUS TESTING SERVICES • Emulsion......\$300 Wet Track Abrasion \$175 Calibration of Hydraulic Ram: • 100 Ton & Under.....\$200 • 101 Tons – 200 Tons......\$300 Use of Universal Testing Machine: • UTM with One Operator\$320

Additional Technician...... Regular Tech Rate

• (E605/E736) Fireproofing Oven Dry Density/Thickness...... \$90

Spray Applied Fireproofing:

MASONRY**
Concrete Block Test (Sets of 3 Required):
• (C140) Unit Weight Moisture Content & Absorption\$195
• (C140) Moisture Content/Absorption (ea. addtl. specimen)\$65
• (C140) Compression Test\$195
(C140) Compression Test (ea. addtl. specimen)
(C426) Linear Drying Shrinkage\$285
• (C109/UBC 21-16) Mortar Cylinder (2"x4")\$30
• (C942) Grout Prism (3"x3"x6"), trimming included\$3!
Masonry Prism (Assemblage):
• (C1314) 8"x8"x16" – 8"x12"x16"\$200
• (C1314) 8"x16" x16" - 10"x12"x16"\$225
• (C1314) 12"x12"x16" – 12"x16"x16"\$250
• (C1314) Larger than 12"x16"x16" Quote
Brick Test (Set of 5 Specimens):
• (C67) 24-Hour Absorption, Cold Water\$225
(C67) 5-Hour Absorption, Boiling Water\$225
• (C67) Compression Test or Modulus of Rupture\$255
· (C67) Each Additional Specimen\$45
CONCRETE**
Mix Designs:
• (ACI211/ACI214) Concrete Mix Design\$350
• (ACI211/ACI214) Review of Concrete Mix Design\$350
• (C192) Concrete Trial Mix (includes equipment & labor)\$495
Concrete Properties:
• (C39/CT521/T22) Comp. Strength, Concrete Cyl\$30
• (C42/CT521/T22) Comp. Strength, Concrete/Gunite Core\$60
• (C78/CT523) Flex. Strength of 6"x6"x21" Concrete Beam\$165
• (C174) Length Measuring of Drilled Cores
• (C1140) Shotcrete Panel-Coring & Testing (Set of 3)\$290
• (C1140) Shotcrete Panel (each addtl. specimen)\$90

• (C496) Static Modulus of Elasticity.....\$200

• (C496) Drying Shrinkage (Set of 3, up to 28 days)......\$395

• (C642) Spec. Gravity, Absorp., Voids in Hardened Concrete..........\$95 • (F1869) Moisture Vapor Emission Rate, Concrete Subfloor...........\$50



^{*2}X Surcharge on rush turn-around for laboratory testing.

^{**}Fee applies for sample storage, testing, or disposal.





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GEOTECHNICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MATERIALS

- Listed are typical charges for the services most frequently performed by Geocon. Prices for unlisted services as well as special
 quotations for programs involving volume work will be provided upon request. Laboratory test prices shown are for laboratory
 work only and include reporting of routine results not calling for comments, recommendations or conclusions.
- Sampling and testing are conducted in substantial conformance with the latest applicable or designated specifications of the American Society for Testing and Materials, Caltrans, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, or other pertinent agencies.
- 3. Saturday, night work, and overtime hours are charged at time and one-half; Sundays and holidays at double time. Per diem is based on the local costs per day when location of work dictates.
- 4. Equipment and materials will be billed at cost plus 15%. Outside services including subcontractors and rental of special equipment are billed at cost plus 15%. Hourly services are billed portal to portal from closest office in accordance with the stated hourly rates herein.
- 5. Invoices will be submitted at four-week intervals. Terms of payment are met upon presentation of invoice. Invoices become delinquent thirty (30) days from invoice date and subject to one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) service charge per month, or the maximum rate allowed by law, whichever is lower. If Client objects to all or any portion of any invoice, Client will so notify Geocon in writing within fourteen (14) calendar days of the invoice date, identify the cause of disagreement, and pay that portion of the invoice not in dispute. The parties will immediately make every effort to settle the disputed portion of the invoice. Payment on delinquent invoices will first be applied to accrued interest and then to the principal amount. All time spent, and expenses incurred (including any attorney's fees and costs) in connection with collection of any delinquent amount will be paid by Client to Geocon per Geocon's current fee schedule.
- 6. Client and Geocon's hall allocate certain of the risks so that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Geocon's (the term "Geocon" includes Geocon's partners, officers, directors, employees, agents, affiliates, subcontractors and subconsultants) total aggregate liability to Client is limited to the greater of \$50,000 or the total compensation received from Client by Geocon for services rendered on this project, for any and all of Client's injuries, damages, claims, losses, expenses, or claim expenses arising out of this Agreement from any cause or causes, including attorneys' fees and costs which may be awarded to the prevailing party, and Client agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Geocon from and against all liabilities in excess of the monetary limit established above.
- 7. Client and Geocon shall allocate certain of the other risks so that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Client shall limit Geocon's total aggregate liability to all third parties, including contractors, subcontractors of all tiers, materialmen, and others involved in Client's project, as well as persons and other entities not involved in the project, to the greater of \$100,000 or the total compensation received from Client by Geocon for services rendered on this project, for any and all injuries, damages, cause or causes, including attorneys' fees and costs which may be awarded to the prevailing party, and Client agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Geocon from and against all liabilities in excess of the monetary limit established above, including all liability incurred by Geocon for acts, errors, or omissions, pursuant to entering into agreements with third parties on behalf of Client in order to obtain access or entry onto property not owned by Client. Client agrees to notify all contractors and subcontractors of any limitation of Geocon's liability to them and require them to abide by such limitation for damages suffered by any contractor or subcontractor arising from Geocon's actions or inactions. Neither the contractor nor any subcontractor assumes any liability for damages to others which may arise on account of Geocon's actions or inactions.



Attachment A-3

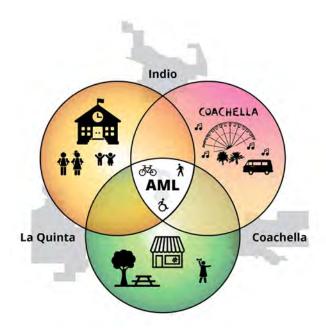
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The CVAG Arts & Music Line: The nexus of transportation planning and the arts

The approach that informs our vision for the CVAG Arts and Music Line (AML) Active Transportation Plan (ATP) Non-Infrastructure Program is the nexus of active transportation planning and the arts. If infrastructure is the physical manifestation of the AML, then the arts, education and encouragement elements that define the Non-Infrastructure Program are the cultural manifestation of the AML.



Coachella Valley has experienced a steady growth over the last fifteen years that has increased vehicular traffic, collisions, and air pollution. The AML ATP Non-Infrastructure Program (AML NI Program) focuses on moving youth, seniors, and the mobility-challenged community to parks and activity centers including recreation centers, schools, and commercial centers. The AML NI Program also incorporates arts into the design of the AML and will deploy active transportation education curriculum and community encouragement campaigns. The scope, scale, and holistic approach of the AML has the potential to be highly transformative for residents, visitors, and businesses with impacts and effects far reaching throughout the Coachella Valley.

The CRA team knows the history of the AML; CRA and Arellano Associates (AA) helped conduct community engagement and supported the Caltrans ATP Cycle 6 grant application submittal. The CRA team recognizes the importance of the AML for connecting transportation planning and the design process, as well as changing people's minds and transportation choices.

The overarching goal of the AML is to improve health and increase safe mobility for residents, workers, students and visitors (particularly vulnerable populations reliant upon walking/biking for transportation) to jobs, schools, and activity centers through the AML. The AML will facilitate improved public health, social equity, and provide other important community benefits. The AML will be used to achieve the following objectives:

- A. Enhance multimodal neighborhood mobility by strategically identifying street and sidewalk connections, crossings, gaps, and identifying how residents can better access businesses, retail centers, schools, parks, recreational facilities, and community services, through a seamless active transportation network.
- B. Improve active transportation safety by exploring linkages of residences, schools, and other activity centers via pedestrian and bicycle corridors and the AML, assessing the conditions of the streets and sidewalks connecting these places, and by identifying countermeasures to target the main causes of bicycle and pedestrian-involved traffic collisions in the region.
- C. Foster equitable, livable and healthy communities by improving walking and bicycling access to desired destinations, building upon existing plans and public health programs that not only identified destinations to implement changes for social equity, but also provide the framework to identify more destinations for future work in expanding such initiatives. This project focuses on providing people opportunities to achieve a healthier lifestyle and create a sense of community using pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure with the AML.

The construction of the AML will create a high quality pedestrian and bicycle corridor through Coachella, Indio, La Quinta, and unincorporated Riverside County. The AML will connect to eleven schools from the Desert Sands Unified and Coachella Valley Unified School Districts, the Coachella Valley Link (CV Link, the regional multi-use trail) and Bear Creek Trail, as well as connections to nine different neighborhoods and community parks including Rancho Las Flores Park, Dr. Carreon Park, Hijorth Park, Saguaro Park, La Quinta Park, De Oro Park, Shields Park, South Jackson Park, and Civic Center Campus. CRA will work with staff to determine a clear set of performance metrics that will be tracked through a two-year arts, education and awareness program with the goal of creating a system for measuring mode shift and active transportation change over time in the Coachella Valley. At the center of this curriculum is a community-wide bicyclist and pedestrian safety and education awareness campaign that will include instructional activities throughout the community reaching students, residents, visitors, commuters, and other community stakeholders. The CRA team will leverage its relationships it has built with Desert Sands Unified and Coachella Valley Unified, as well as the 11 schools making up the project area, through outreach in the community in 2021 and 2022 and through other CVAG projects.

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DESIRED OUTCOMES OF THE AML

The AML's origins come from the communities of Coachella, Indio, and La Quinta, CVAG, area schools, and other stakeholders. They have expressed the desired outcomes of the AML, which we understand to be:

- Access to amenities of daily life through active transportation (parks, grocery stores, pharmacies, employment, etc.)
- Active transportation safety and enjoyment
- Community/public health through active transportation
- Educational and skill development of students and the broader community about active transportation and the arts
- Promotion and support for the arts

- Positive experience in communities' relationship with public agencies through collaboration
- Enhancing the icon of Coachella Valley as an arts destination
- Improved aesthetic experience of Avenue 48 and the "spurs" connecting to project area schools
- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions through increasing active transportation

The AML's NI Program will contribute to the identity of the region as an arts destination and draw people from all over the world. The AML is a tool for capitalizing on state, national and international interest in the Coachella Valley. While there are many positive economic benefits to hosting the Coachella and Stagecoach festivals, there are also environmental impacts to the Valley. CRA will work with CVAG to collaborate with each festival's organizers to develop an active transportation plan to improve mobility options during the periods when festivals are being held, with materials that will encourage festivalgoers to use active transportation while attending. As is the case with cities who have seasonal influxes of visitors due to regularly scheduled and seasonal events, the AML is a strategy to address the transportation and arts needs of communities throughout the year, and visitors on festival occasions.

Scope of Work

TASK 1: PROJECT MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

CRA Project Manager, Jenny An, will organize and facilitate the AML NI Program project kick-off meeting. That meeting will establish project direction, communication protocols, and refine the project schedule and scope. The kickoff meeting will introduce the approach and plan for outreach and engagement, data collection and analysis, as well as the preparation of associated public facing materials including the project promotion toolkit, maps, and visuals. A meeting agenda will be submitted by CRA in advance of the kickoff meeting and presumably include a review of the project scope, budget, schedule, establish a bi-weekly check in meeting, and

a preliminary discussion of branding, project look and feel, and communication protocols. After the kickoff meeting, CRA will develop and submit minutes within five business days focusing on key decisions, action items, and next steps.

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Jenny will maintain a detailed project schedule and budget consistent with this proposal (pending any changes at the kickoff meeting), with careful attention to the allocation of resources and control over task execution. CRA has proposed a schedule (see GANTT Chart at the end of this section) to establish a logical task sequencing including outreach activities, which will be further refined in the opening month of the project. The CRA team has led many projects of this scale, vision, and scope, and has the multidisciplinary staff to deliver.

CRA recognizes the importance of presenting detailed and technical materials in an intuitive and aesthetically attractive format to the public. After the schedule has been confirmed at the kickoff meeting, CRA will develop a simplified version of the project schedule for use in the Promotional Toolkit, for the purpose of public presentation.

CRA and CVAG will hold biweekly, primarily virtual meetings with partner agencies and stakeholders. In addition to these regular meetings, CRA will support and facilitate meetings of the existing Ad Hoc Committee and other already-committed stakeholders with the goal of maintaining existing AML public outreach providing continuity for the AML NI Program. Additionally, CRA will assemble and maintain a list of AML stakeholders. This list begins with the Ad Hoc Committee and currently active stakeholders and will be further developed as the AML reaches more people within the project area communities and people throughout the cities of the Coachella Valley. The AML NI Program is ambitious to a degree that knowledge of it could become a household conversation, and thus we expect stakeholder interest to increase qualitatively and quantitatively. AA will recruit participants for the Stakeholder Advisory Group from the stakeholder pool, City staff, and potentially from other communitybased organizations in underserved communities. The CRA team will prepare Stakeholder Advisory Group meeting invitations and track invitations and RSVPs.

CRA will facilitate 8 meetings with the Ad Hoc Committee, Transportation, and Executive Committees. To inform as well as draw upon assets within CVAG, CRA will make presentations to CVAG's Transportation Committee meetings and Executive Committee meetings throughout the three-year duration of the AML NI Program at key decision making points. The CRA team will prepare presentation content related to outreach efforts for Transportation, Executive, and Ad Hoc Committee, and other stakeholder meetings.

TASK 1 DELIVERABLES

- Meeting agendas, minutes
- Technical memos
- Staff reports and attachments
- Stakeholder list
- Ad Hoc Committee list
- Grant reporting materials
- Presentation materials
- Biweekly project meetings (in-person or remote, as approved by CVAG)
- Ad Hoc Committee, stakeholders and member agencies meetings (8 meetings)
- Transportation Committee (2 meetings)
- Executive Committee (2 meetings)

TASK 2: COMMUNITY **OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT**

Prior engagement on the AML has been extensive, robust, and impressive and this is the foundation of the AML since 2018. The Ad Hoc Committee and active stakeholders comprising the Stakeholder Advisory Group will continue to be engaged and will include community-based organizations (CBOs), schools, communities in the project area including families living in affordable housing. The diversity of publics engaged in the AML includes generational diversity, which has been facilitated by intentional collaboration with institutions and organizations for the young and elderly. The Stakeholder Advisory Group is best positioned for understanding how, when, and where outreach in the project area will be most effective, and whose networks will be a vital

asset for achieving broad-based public engagement.

AA has been our engagement partner on the AML throughout the earlier phases of the project. Continuity and a track record of successful collaboration with CVAG is a major asset that we bring to the project. We have already achieved project collaboration efficiencies – relationships, communication protocols, and unparalleled project understanding – that allow us to hit the ground running with CVAG.

TASK 2.1: OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT PLAN

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CRA and AA, in collaboration with the stakeholder group, will launch a new phase of outreach and community engagement for the AML NI Program, leading to the creation of an Outreach and Engagement Plan (OEP) (draft and final). AA, with input from CVAG, will prepare a detailed OEP that will include parks' and recreation centers' information as well as data from the technical team and community engagement events throughout the development of the AML NI Program. This OEP will identify outreach methods and activities, as well as new stakeholders to engage including students, residents, advocates, and CBOs not previously involved in the project. The OEP will consist of a strategy to fully engage disadvantaged communities, including outreach in multiple languages and through nontraditional means to reach groups that may not typically participate in the urban planning process. The OEP, utilizing AML branding and visual approved as part of the Promotional Toolkit (see examples below), will present engagement dates informed by the Coachella Valley communities. Schedules will include established community events as well as potential events at ideal locations for community engagement. The OEP will include timeline and strategies for how to integrate the project promotion and outreach events including up to 22 pop-up events, 10 community events, participatory challenges such as Bike to Work Day, Bike to Work Month, or National Walk and Bike to School Day. The Project will also work integrate the SCAG Go Human toolkit for demonstration/safety education classes/assemblies.

The OEP schedule will also be informed by the academic calendar as part of the school-based

programs associated with the AML NI Program. Outreach and engagement events will also be timed with families' working schedules and availability in mind. The activities and materials of engagement will be in formats appealing to the community, and with an understanding of diverse learning styles for widespread appeal. The goals for each outreach activity will be defined by the project leadership, informed by local communities and stakeholders.

A key piece of the OEP will be ongoing surveying throughout all engagement activities for the duration of the project. A paper and online survey tool will be promoted at events, on the project website, and distributed via all available electronic means of communication (email, social media outlets).

The input generated through outreach will be documented as part of the project process. The input we hear from community members and other stakeholders will continually inform the project as it develops, particularly in terms of the conceptual development of the educational curricula and encouragement campaigns, the aesthetic/artistic development of the AML, and subsequent outreach opportunities and methods. As part of the initial review of contacts AA will identify missing key stakeholders in the communities of the project area and recommend their inclusion in the project contacts database. Identified groups will be considered for specific targeted notification and engagement during the outreach process. AA will maintain the database throughout the Project and add contacts as stakeholders join the project's electronic mailing list. The totality of the OEP along with the database of stakeholders and their input will be reported in an Appendix of Program Evaluation Report. This information will also inform CVAG and advisory committees, as appropriate.

TASK 2.2: PROJECT PROMOTION

At the onset of the project, CRA and AA will develop a branding and style guide for use in the AML Communications and Promotions Toolkit. This will include branding and a project logo that refers to the aesthetics of the natural beauty of the Coachella Valley as well as the centrality of the arts to the region and to the AML NI Program. CRA's graphic designer will produce copy of public facing materials (draft

and final) that can be presented in multiple forms (for screen viewing, physical copies, etc.) and through a diversity of outlets (traditional media, online/social media, and local media including school newspapers/ newsletters, etc.). Project promotion is essential to inform stakeholders about the AML clearly and coherently. The CRA team are experienced in developing various strategies and collateral materials based on and tailored to the needs of the project. All materials will be translated into Spanish, following English content approval. The Communications and Promotions Toolkit will present a plan for the strategic targeting of audiences, scheduled according to the timing of engagement events, and according to project milestones. The following materials will be developed:

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- Project Branding: AA will create visually engaging project branding in alignment to enhance project recognition and resonance. CRA and AA will listen closely to the community about the brand identity of the AML NI Program, such that it will be context-sensitive and appealing to residents and visitors alike. The brand will reference the region as an icon of arts and music, as a region that supports the arts from within (uplifting local artists) and from without (showcasing talent from beyond the Coachella Valley). Materials utilizing project branding will include promotional items, tabling materials including posters, banners, or tablecloths. AA will work with the Project Team to ensure graphics are consistent with the CVAG's branding guidelines.
- Communications and Promotional Toolkits:

AA will develop two Communications and Promotional Toolkits, one for schools and one for employers. The Toolkits will focus on encouraging participation and feedback from program partners and participants. Anticipated partners include Riverside County Public Health, Coachella Valley and Desert Sands Unified School Districts, Cities of Coachella, Indio, La Quinta, and Riverside County. Public facing materials will be bilingual (English and Spanish) and include an 11x17 poster, postcards, online/paper survey, data gathering tools, and other items.

- Social Media: AA will develop, at minimum, one social media post per month that can be shared across social media platforms for CVAG and partner cities' accounts. Posts will be visually appealing, informational, and provided in both English and Spanish.
- Project Website: AA will develop a project website for the AML NI Program to promote outreach and education materials, document activities, promote community events, participatory challenges, pop-ups, walk audits, and to facilitate data gathering for the AML NI Program. AA will host the website and post information about the project timeline, background information, and toolkit resources. There will also be opportunities to solicit feedback from visitors on various elements of the project. The website will also allow stakeholders to submit feedback without attending outreach events. It could include a simple online mapping tool to identify current barriers and recommendations for suggested improvements around a given park, school, or community activity site, and allow the ability to rank improvements. Other interactive website activities will be developed in coordination with CVAG and the technical team.
- Traditional Media: AA will develop promotion for radio, door to door notification, and telephone and SMS campaign in coordination with CVAG.
- Youth Focused: The project team will work with schools, recreation centers, public works, and parks and recreation departments in the partner cities to promote the project website and AML NI program. The project website will be promoted through each of the project schools through school newsletters.
- ▶ Employer Focused: The project team will work with employers, the Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce, and local businesses to promote the project website and AML program. Additionally, "business cards" which will contain a high-level summary of the project, the project's web address and a QR Code will be handed out at the outreach events. At the conclusion of the survey period, the Consultant will prepare a

memorandum outlining the findings of the virtual engagement platform.



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TASK 2 DELIVERABLES

- Outreach and Engagement Plan
- Project Contact Database
- Communications and Promotional Toolkits and collateral materials

TASK 3: EDUCATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

AA will plan and lead engagement events for this program. This will include pop-up events, community events, and participatory challenges such as Bike to Work Day, Bike to Work Month, and National Walk and Bike to School Day. Outreach at these events will be conducted to promote the AML NI Program and gather data from the community about opportunities and challenges of active transportation in the Coachella Valley. As part of all outreach events, active transportation incentives (such as merchandise, bicycle helmets, lights and bells) will be incorporated to encourage participation.

TASK 3.1: COMMUNITY PARTNER COORDINATION

To encourage participation and increase program awareness, AA will utilize extended outreach through community partners. AA will collaborate with CBOs who will be compensated to implement the notification plan utilizing their local networks and communication tools. CBO partners will be confirmed and on-boarded during the development of the outreach and engagement plan and will be asked to support outreach notification, host or support facilitation at community events, and serve as strategic advisors. AA will identify potential CBOs based on their proximity and relationship to stakeholders within the project corridor, their interest in active transportation projects, and/or their ability to provide a local event venue to meet people where they are already going. A potential partner includes the Coachella Valley Housing Coalition, who can

assist with notifying stakeholders in their communities via pop-up events or by distributing door-hangers.

ASSUMPTIONS

- All collateral and notification materials will be translated into Spanish
- CVAG will share branding guidelines
- Technical consultants will contribute to the content of outreach materials
- Technical consultants will prepare maps and other technical materials

TASK 3.2: POP-UP EVENTS

The intent of pop-up events is to connect projectspecific engagement with standing community functions, meetings, and events which have existing audiences and participants. Pop-up events add great value to the engagement process because it enables the project to connect and interface with individuals who may have meaningful input, but would not have otherwise been interested in participating in standalone project events. For this project, pop-up events may include a safety demonstration events (e.g., teaching riders how to properly navigate across streets), bicycle rodeos, bicycle skills classes, bike safety assemblies, safety events in partnership with local fire and police departments. All pop-ups will have raffles and giveaways related to active transportation to incentivize participation. Outreach will integrate existing events such as at the Tamale Festival and Date Festival, as well as coordination with music and arts festivals (e.g., Coachella and Stagecoach festivals).

TASK 3.3: COMMUNITY EVENTS

AA will organize and lead ten (10) community events. This may include bike rides/trains, walking tours or walking school buses to help educate the community on roadway safety. The outreach team will engage with local schools, the YMCA, and Boys and Girls Clubs to promote safety and awareness to the youth population. In addition, AA will collaborate with CBO partners to assist with promoting the community events to their audiences. The outreach team will also seek to partner with the American Automobile Association (AAA) on their bike safety program.

Tabling at pop-ups and community events will involve project materials dissemination, appealing visuals, snacks and water, shade, and the opportunity to provide input on the AML NI Program via a survey or conversations with facilitators present . Promotion of the AML NI Program and events associated with the engagement campaign will also occur on public kiosks and in parking lots associated with community and arts events, through electronic communications means (messaging through SMS and robocalls), and through advertisements on radio stations such as KCRI, KVRA, KKUU, and KPST.

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The AML NI Program collaboration with area music and arts festivals is a key part of the engagement plan as it supplies the opportunity to simultaneously address the needs of festival organizers (with regard to transportation demand and environmental impact) as well the needs of local communities and the project team who are seeking the support of festival organizers and festivalgoers alike. With AA, CRA will lead in the planning and operations of bicycle services at music festivals of Coachella and Stagecoach, specifically by offering bike valet services as well as bicycle maintenance services for festivalgoers. As we elaborate in the Innovations section below, we foresee student involvement in the festival's bike elements in the form of assisting with bike valet and assisting with bicycle maintenance (the skills for which students will develop as part of the bicycle mechanics after-school program).

TASK 3.4: COMMUNITY CHALLENGES

The project team will help organize and promote two community participatory challenge events, such as a Bike to Work Day, Bike to Work Month, or National Walk and Bike to School Day. The goal of the these activities is to ignite a sense of enthusiasm within the community for walking and biking activities on one designated day. AA will explore multifaceted strategies including sustained promotional efforts, enticing raffles, and thoughtful giveaways. Collaborations with local businesses will be explored to provide attractive incentives, while also considering partnerships with employers to offer participationbased rewards. AA will prepare a media toolkit for local news stations to promote the challenges.

TASK 3.5: ARTS PROGRAM AND BIKE **MECHANICS COURSE**

CRA will collaborate with school's art programs and look for opportunities to incorporate art into the AML project. This will include coordination with arts instructors, students, administators to secure and incorporate art work into the project procss for marketing, visual materials.

The project team will work with CVAG to collaborate with music festival organizers to incorporate bicycle services. CRA will coordinate with a volunteer-run community bike repair shop to teach youth how to repair bikes and to educate interested community members on the the fundamentals of establishing and maintaining a volunteer-run repair shop that serves as a cooperative community space. To create efficiencies, the Team recommends collaborating with organizations with experience to utilize and build upon existing curriculum and models. This approach seeks to learn from proven models of success and is anticipated to help the CVAG region establish similar sustainable models and programs.

TASK 3 DELIVERABLES

- Planning and attendance of up to twentytwo (22) pop-up events, ten (10) community events, and two (2) community challenges
- Coordination with festival organizers for bike services
- Public facing materials needed per the outreach and engagement strategy including PowerPoint presentations, boards, posters, and incentives
- Event documentation including photos, summaries, and feedback received
- CBO partner onboarding and coordination
- Arts program
- Bike mechanics course

TASK 4: EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

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TASK 4.1: GIS DATA COLLECTION

CRA -- in coordination with CVAG, the Stakeholder Advisory Group, school districts and schools, the County, the Cities of Coachella, Indio, and La Quinta, and our project partners AA -- will conduct an inventory of project area physical conditions and assets of the project area, the neighborhoods of the project area and proximate neighborhoods, areas including the 11 schools that are part of the AML NI Program. The elements of the built environment that will be studied include sidewalks, street crossings, bus stops, and bikeways/bicycle infrastructure. Our analysis will include data on commercial and retail establishments, community spaces, parks, community centers, and religious facilities. Data collected will be relevant to metrics associated with Safe Routes To School, Safe Routes To Parks, and Safe Routes For Seniors planning and programs (see Task 5).

CRA will develop GIS maps using available data sources and some inventory for each of the 11 school's surrounding areas and the Empire Polo Fields (where both Coachella and Stagecoach festivals are held), displaying their mobility networks (including street system, bikeways, sidewalks or missing sidewalk locations, and bus stops). The maps will highlight key land uses, destinations, and other points of interest. Neighborhood boundaries, school enrollment areas, and/or other potentially informative administrative boundaries will also be displayed.

The maps will be used in the subsequent technical tasks and products of this study, including the collision analysis (Task 4.2), mobility assessments (Task 4.4), existing conditions (Task 4.6), and recommendations maps (Task 5).

TASK 4.1 DELIVERABLES

- Technical memos and reports
- GIS mapping with metadata

TASK 4.2: BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN COLLISION ANALYSIS

CRA will analyze a period of five years of recent pedestrian and bicycle collision history in the cities of the study area (which include the 11 schools served by the AML) using the client's preferred source of data, though if not otherwise specified then SWITRS/TIMS records. The analysis will help identify trends, issues, high collision locations, common collision causes, and help determine which user group(s), if any, are disproportionately represented among the collisions. The findings will be presented on collision maps and supporting tables and summarized in a technical memo according to Caltrans ATP guidelines.

The following attributes will be summarized by frequency:

- Intersection and segment locations
- Worst injury outcome
- Party at-fault
- Primary Collision Factors and/or CA Vehicle Code violations

Findings from collision analysis will be examined in relationship to other technical analysis performed as a part of this scope, including the existing conditions, bike/walk audits, and multimodal and summarized in a technical memorandum (draft and final). The project team will determine collision exposure rates from crash frequencies and AADT (derived from multimodal counts and "Big Data", see Task 4.3), and assess those local conditions relative to regional, state, and national rates and benchmarks; this comparative section of the analysis will be summarized into a scorecard of roadway health. CRA can monitor collisions post-project during the lifespan of the study, with the caveat that making conclusions about safety effects would require additional years of collection. One helpful strategy for post-project monitoring can be for the project team to set up an online collision GIS map with capabilities to filter, visualize and summarize the data by key attributes. CRA can provide guidance to CVAG on how to maintain this resource and update on an annual basis with new records to assist with post-project safety monitoring.



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TASK 4.2 DELIVERABLES

- Technical memos and reports
- GIS data, documentation, maps, and summary tables
- Presentation materials
- Online collision GIS map and guidance for maintenance

TASK 4.3: MULTIMODAL COUNTS

CRA will commission 24-hour multimodal roadway segment/mid-block active transportation counts at up to 45 locations. These include the AML "spurs" leading to the project area schools (11 counts), Avenue 48 between major intersections (10 counts), at the 10 highest frequency collision locations (10 counts, Task 4.2), and at each of the two festivals (4 counts). Other locations will be chosen based on results from Existing Conditions facility locations (z 10 counts, Task 4.6). We will deploy 24-hour counts because they eliminate the necessity of extrapolation relative to peak rates. Existing Conditions facility locations will also influence the number of counts. CRA will collect mode share data pre- and post-AML construction. CRA will present our analysis of count data by mode converted to annual average daily trips (AADT) for collision analysis, and provided in tabular and GIS data formats. To help estimate activity rates in areas where count data is not collected, CRA will use location-based services data (otherwise known as "Big Data") to extrapolate pedestrian and bicycle volumes in other parts of the study area. CRA will use ReplicaHQ to retrieve pedestrian and bicycling data, to supplement the counts for the development of the AADT estimates needed to determine exposure rates for pedestrian and bicycle collisions. The use of Big Data can also assist with post-project activity monitoring.



TASK 4.3 DELIVERABLES

- Technical memos and reports
- 24-hour counts in 45 locations

- GIS mapping with metadata
- ReplicaHQ Big Data to estimate pedestrian and bicycle activity throughout the project area
- Presentation materials

TASK 4.4: MOBILITY ASSESSMENTS

CRA will observe mobility conditions in the field at the 11 schools of the project area and the Empire Polo Club that hosts the Coachella and Stagecoach music and arts festivals. Mobility Assessments will include Pedestrian Environment Quality Evaluation (PEQE) as part of the analysis of pedestrian conditions, and Level of Traffic Stress (LTS) as part of the analysis of bicycling conditions.

During visits to each school, CRA will canvass the area surrounding the school, documenting the attributes and deficiencies of transportation assets, infrastructure, and presence of other support features (crossing guards, school chaperons, etc.) next to each school. Trip activity, routines and other travel behavior which occur during pick-up and drop-off periods will also be observed. During visits, CRA will meet with administrators deeply familiar with the school's transportation issues to supplement our understanding.

Similar efforts will be undertaken to do mobility assessments at the Empire Polo Club, and in coordination with festival organizers. In Year 1, CRA will canvass the areas surrounding access to the Empire Polo Club, documenting transportation assets and infrastructure. Trip activity and festivalgoers' routines will be observed. In Year 2, CRA, in coordination with festival organizers, will deploy a transportation plan and maps to test new active transportation access to the festivals.

The information gathered to produce brief mobility assessment reports for each school and the festival site with issues map and recommendations on how to improve their walking and bicycling conditions. These assessments may result in various types of recommendations such as new or improved crossing locations, sidewalk repair, new signage, suggested

routes to school or festival grounds, new bicycle parking, and changes in vehicle pick-up/drop-off routine.



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TASK 4.4 DELIVERABLES

- Technical memos and reports
- GIS mapping with metadata
- Presentation materials

TASK 4.5: WALK AUDITS

CRA will conduct Walk Audits as part of the mobility assessment. School administrators and other stakeholders at each of the 11 schools, and at the Empire Polo Club grounds that host Coachella and Stagecoach will be invited to participate. Walk Audits serve three functions for the AML NI Program: They are an engagement activity, particularly of students, parents, and educators, they are an educational experience as participants learn how to make systematic observations of roads and AT infrastructure, and they contribute vital data for understanding current AT conditions in the project area.

Tasks 4.1, 4.4, and 4.5 will be conducted on the same day.



TASK 4.5 DELIVERABLES

- Technical memos and reports
- GIS mapping with metadata

TASK 4.6: EXISTING CONDITIONS AND NEEDS ANALYSIS MEMO

Based on the data collection, evaluations, and assessments of the physical and built environment of the project area completed in the preceding tasks, including bicycle and pedestrian collision data, multimodal counts, mobility assessments and bike and walk audits, CRA will prepare an Existing Conditions and Needs Analysis Memo (draft and

final). Like the data collection process, this Memo will be prepared in collaboration with CVAG, school officials, city staff, and other stakeholders, and culminate in presentations to various stakeholders and project partners.



TASK 4.6 DELIVERABLES

- Technical memos and reports
- GIS mapping and metadata
- Presentation materials

TASK 5: ENGINEERING

TASK 5.1: SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL, SAFE ROUTES FOR SENIORS, SAFE ROUTES TO FESTIVALS MAPS

CRA will develop maps to convey the safe/suggested route recommendations identified in Task 4.4 for the 11 schools and the festival grounds. The purpose of these maps is to help guide people, particularly students, seniors, and visiting festivalgoers, to and from their respective destinations, along direct navigational routes from the destination's surrounding areas, along quality facilities, and which channel travelers to safe and preferred street crossing locations. The maps will be graphically appealing, using intuitive design and symbology, and be public facing. Formats will be optimized for screens and for physical copies.



TASK 5.1 DELIVERABLES

- Technical memos and reports
- GIS mapping with metadata
- User maps
- Website mapping
- Presentation materials

TASK 5.2: PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon completion of all data collection and analysis

CRA will develop a Project Implementation Strategy Recommendations Memorandum (draft and final). The Memorandum will summarize CRA's analyses of data collected through our outreach, engagement, education and encouragement efforts, as well as our analyses of active transportation conditions and the broader transportation network in the project area. Based on those assessments, CRA will make a prioritized recommendations list for infrastructure as it relates to school/park access and programmatic recommendations. This Project Implementation Strategy Recommendations Memorandum will be prepared in collaboration with CVAG, school officials, city staff, and other stakeholders. Near the conclusion of the project, CRA will develop and lead the presentation of the Memo to CVAG and project stakeholders.

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TASK 5.2 DELIVERABLES

- Technical memos and reports
- GIS mapping with metadata
- Presentation materials

TASK 6: PROGRAM EVALUATION

CRA will develop a comprehensive Program Evaluation Report (draft and final) that will supply a complete assessment of the effectiveness of the public engagement activities, before and after construction of the AML. Metrics for evaluation will include:

- Stakeholders and project team member feedback/evaluation
- Outreach results
- ► Effectiveness of Communications and Promotions Toolkit
- AML design including arts implementation along the AML
- Curriculum development at schools and for the community
- ▶ Community challenges results
- Festival active transportation analyses and results

 Summaries of all data collection results, including safety, multimodal counts, and mobility assessments

This critical Program Evaluation Report allows for continued learning of the AML project team and stakeholders in terms of how the project unfolded, identifying what was effective and what was challenging, how challenges were overcome, and documenting how project outcomes and goals were met.



TASK 6 DELIVERABLE

Program Evaluation Report

METHODS OF BUDGET AND SCHEDULE CONTROL, AND QUALITY CONTROL

BUDGET AND SCHEDULE CONTROLS

CRA has a track record of delivering high quality projects on-schedule and within budget. Our outstanding organizational skills and technical capabilities in combination with the strong support from our experienced and highly-qualified staff – including our seamless internal team communication developed over years of working together – will ensure successful project completion.



CRA prepares and tracks detailed project schedules for each task including a customized critical path driven schedule with a detailed list of subtasks, milestones, deliverables, and completion dates. Each task and subtask listed match the work outlined in the Scope of Services.

CRA uses an interactive web-based management system to assist our project and task managers to successfully maintain control of a project budget by providing real-time status reports on performance, variances, forecasts, and expenditures for all project tasks. We apply earned value management as the primary means of monitoring project progress and forecasting performance by integrating the three fundamental components of every task order — scope, schedule, and budget. This allows CRA to evaluate and control project risk by planning and monitoring project performance.

CRA prepares and tracks detailed project schedules through Microsoft Project. The schedule will typically consist of a customized critical path method schedule with a detailed list of subtasks, milestones, deliverables, and completion dates. Each subtask listed would match the work outlined in the Scope of Work.

QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL

CRA takes pride in providing quality services and products. Our firm was founded on a commitment to fostering a workplace culture dedicated to delivering products that are accurate, well-written, based on sound analysis and industry/city specific design standards, and an assurance that final products have been thoroughly reviewed by our assigned quality assurance/quality control manager before submission.

QA/QC Procedures

Kickoff Discussion

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Following contract authorization, the project team will begin with a kickoff meeting to establish client expectations, contract requirements, and task scheduling.

Work Products Checklist

Checklists for each technical group and project phase are used by QC leads to ensure accuracy and attention to detail. Edits and notes are digitally archived for accessibility.

Redlines, Reviews & Notes

QC leads provide feedback by "redlining" products and using review forms. Revisions are rechecked to ensure corrections have been successfully implemented.

Quality Close-Out Process

Principal verifies QC process implementation.
Check-ins culminate with a final meeting to ensure contractual obligations have been met and expectations have been exceeded.















Task & Review Scheduling

Schedules are designed to include internal and external reviews. This allows the project manager and QC reviewers to establish timing and duration for reviews.

Cross-Discipline & Compliance Reviews

QC leads perform compliance reviews before submission of deliverables to ensure regulatory compliance and alignment with constructability criteria.

Progress Discussions

CRA team meets to review comments and anticipated project challenges to ensure the project can proceed without hindrance.

We have the policies and procedures in place to ensure that our team delivers a quality product every time. We acknowledge that quality and schedule can compete — and, for us, quality always wins. As a result, our project schedules consider time for quality control and document revisions prior to each submittal.

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SPECIAL ISSUES OR PROBLEMS AND HOW THESE WILL BE ADDRESSED

The challenges we identify with the AML NI Program are associated with its ambitious scope and associated numerous elements to manage. It will take a team of experienced active transportation professionals spanning multiple disciplines to successfully manage this project so that it meets its goals and desired outcomes. With our partners AA, we present to CVAG a team assembled and equipped to handle this exciting and ambitious project. We are inspired by the ways in which public and community engagement has already developed and want to contribute our hands to the AML effort. The complexity of this project is the greatest challenge, but with our collective resources and assets, those challenges will not be insurmountable.

ENHANCEMENTS OR PROCEDURAL OR TECHNICAL INNOVATIONS (OPTIONAL)

CRA professionals express a scientific disposition to our projects, while also bringing artistic sensibilities forward as well. The AML project, occupying the nexus of transportation planning and the arts, supplies the opportunity for CRA to apply our insights and perspectives across a broad range of issues that the AML contains. For this reason, CRA is excited by the current structure of the AML NI Program as presented in the RFP. In the process of preparing our response, CRA developed additional enhancements and innovations that we present for CVAG's consideration. They are:

AML Promotional materials commissioned from student artists/musicians/videographers
As the project develops and word of the AML spreads through our various engagement events, the AML can become the inspiration for the creation of artworks. The education program discussed above could include commissioning

artworks about the AML and AT from local student artists/musicians.

After-school Bicycle Mechanics course

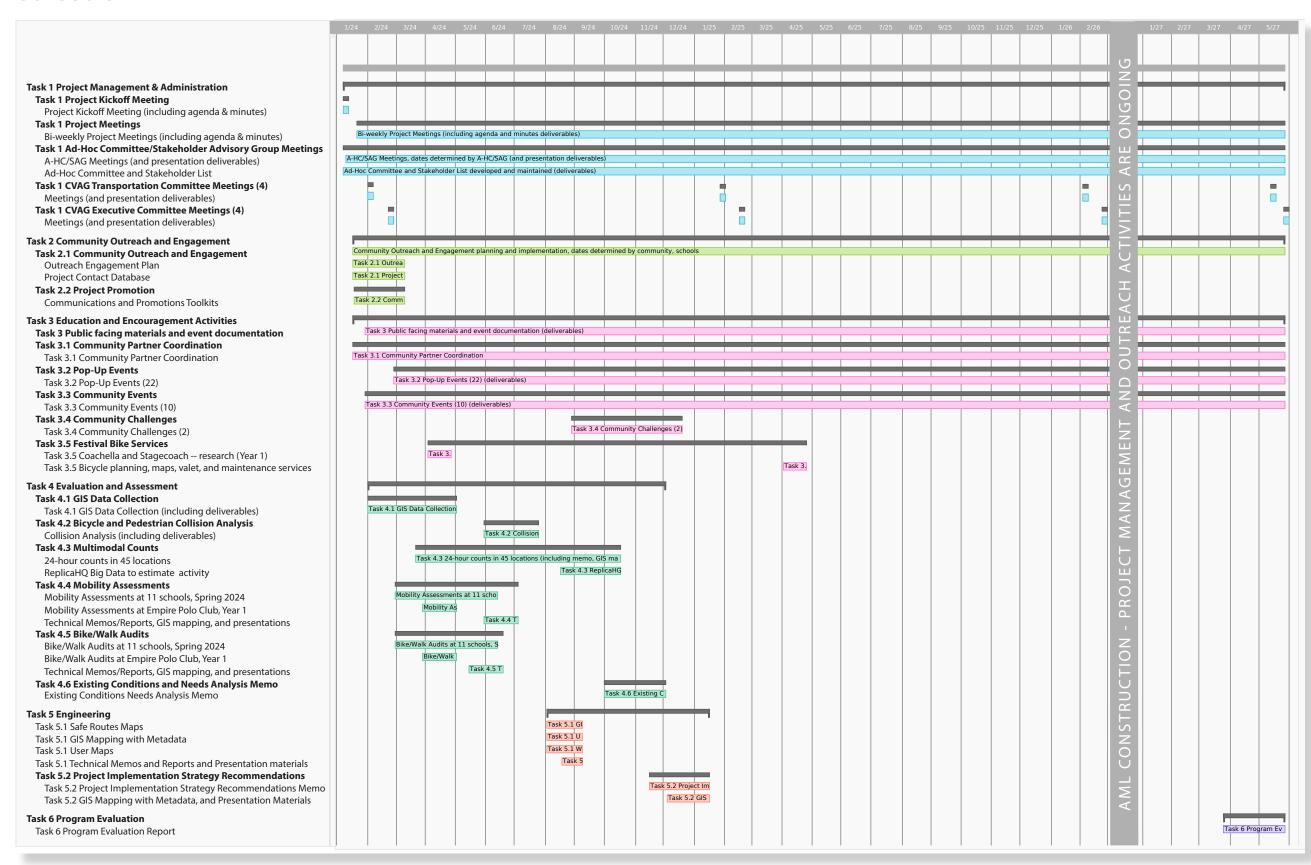
We see tremendous value and potential in helping to establish an after-school bike mechanics course as part of the education and encourage element of the public engagement of the AML NI Program. This would also serve as an opportunity for local professional bicycle mechanics to collaborate with schools and educators in developing a bicycle mechanics curriculum.

Students working at Bike Valet and Bicycle Maintenance at Music Festivals

As part of the educational element of the AML NI Program, students in the bicycle mechanics course will have the opportunity to apply what they are learning to serve festivalgoers with bicycle needs. The reward for taking this opportunity is free access to the festival.

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No.	Task Description	CRA	AA	1	Total by Task			
Task 1	Project Management and Administration	\$ 85,880	\$ 28,859	\$	114,739			
	Project Kick-Off Meeting	\$ 2,400	\$ 903	\$	3,303			
	Bi-weekly Project Management Meetings (up to 70)	\$ 32,820	\$ 5,729	\$	38,549			
	Ad Hoc Committee Meetings (up to 8)	\$ 9,660	\$ 12,201	\$	21,861			
	Transportation Committee Meetings (up to 2)	\$ 2,840	\$ -	\$	2,840			
	Executive Committee Meetings (up to 2)	\$ 2,840	\$ -	\$	2,840			
	Project Coordination and Invoicing	\$ 35,320	\$ 10,026	\$	45,346			
Task 2	Community Outreach and Engagement	\$ 23,780	\$ 57,359	\$	81,139			
2.1	Outreach and Engagement Plan	\$ 4,120	\$ 7,909	\$	12,029			
2.2	Project Promotion	\$ 19,660	\$ 49,450	\$	69,110			
Task 3	Education and Encouragement Activities	\$ 54,540	\$ 181,428	\$	235,968			
3.1	Community Partner Coordination	\$ -	\$ 11,068	\$	11,068			
3.2	Pop-Up Events (Up to 22)	\$ 10,840	\$ 36,955	\$	47,795			
3.3	Community Events (Up to 10)	\$ 22,000	\$ 88,446	\$	110,446			
3.4	Community Challenges (Up to 2)	\$ 1,720	\$ 20,944	\$	22,664			
3.5	Arts Program and Festival Coordination	\$ 11,040	\$ 11,426	\$	22,466			
3.6	Bike Mechanics Course	\$ 8,940	\$ 12,591	\$	21,531			
Task 4	Evaluation and Assessment	\$ 109,700	\$ -	\$	109,700			
4.1	GIS Data Collection	\$ 26,080	\$ -	\$	26,080			
4.2	Bicycle and Pedestrian Collision Analysis	\$ 15,100	\$ -	\$	15,100			
4.3	Multimodal Counts	\$ 10,630	\$ -	\$	10,630			
4.4	Mobility Assessments	\$ 19,260	\$ -	\$	19,260			
	Bike/Walk Audits	\$ 19,670	\$ -	\$	19,670			
4.6	Existing Conditions and Needs Analysis Memo	\$ 18,960	\$ -	\$	18,960			
Task 5	Engineering	\$ 47,285	\$ •	\$	47,285			
5.1	Safe Routes for Youth/Seniors/Festival Maps	\$ 19,540	\$ 	\$	19,540			
5.2	Project Implementation Strategy Recommendations	\$ 27,745	\$ 	\$	27,745			
Task 6	Program Evaluation	\$ 57,110	\$ -	\$	57,110			
	Draft Program Evaluation Report	\$ 34,240	\$ 	\$	34,240			
	Revised Program Evaluation Report	\$ 16,160	\$ -	\$	16,160			
	Final Program Evaluation Report	\$ 6,710	\$ -	\$	6,710			
	Labor Subtotal	\$ 378,295	\$ 267,646	\$	645,941			
	Direct Cost Subtotal	\$ 21,000	\$ 112,000	\$	133,000			
	CRA Total	\$ 399,295	\$ 379,646	\$	778,941			
	20% Contingency			\$	155,788			
	Grand Total			\$	934,730			

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	Bi-weekly Project Management Meetings (up to 70)	8		70	\$ 18,200	70	\$ 11,900	- \$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	148	\$ 32,820	
	Ad Hoc Committee Meetings (up to 8)	3		24	\$ 6,240	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	16	\$ 2,400	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	43	\$ 9,660	
	Transportation Committee Meetings (up to 2)	2	-	6	\$ 1,560	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	4	\$ 600	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	12	\$ 2,840	
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	Project Coordination and Invoicing	8	7 -/	60	\$ 15,600	60	\$ 10,200	- \$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	40	\$ 6,800	168	\$ 35,320	
Task 2	Community Outreach and Engagement	6	\$ 2,040	24	\$ 6,240	26	\$ 4,420	- \$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	30	\$ 4,050	-	\$ -	- \$ -	22	\$ 3,630	20 \$ 3,400	-	\$ -	128	\$ 23,780	
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2.2	Project Promotion	4	\$ 1,360	16	\$ 4,160	18	\$ 3,060	- \$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	30	\$ 4,050	-	\$ -	- \$ -	22	\$ 3,630	20 \$ 3,400	-	\$ -	110	\$ 19,660	
Task 3	Education and Encouragement Activities	-	\$ -	33	\$ 8,580	96	\$ 16,320	- \$ -	-	\$ -	79	\$ 11,850	62	\$ 8,370	-	\$ -	- \$ -	20	\$ 3,300	36 \$ 6,120	-	\$ -	326	\$ 54,540	
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3.3	Community Events (Up to 10)	-	\$ -	16	\$ 4,160	40	\$ 6,800	- \$ -	-	\$ -	32	\$ 4,800	16	\$ 2,160	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	24 \$ 4,080	-	\$ -	128	\$ 22,000	
3.4	4 Community Challenges (Up to 2)	-	\$ -	4	\$ 1,040	4	\$ 680	- \$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	8	\$ 1,720	
3.	Arts Program at Schools	-	\$ -	3	\$ 780	24	\$ 4,080	- \$ -	-	\$ -	3	\$ 450	18	\$ 2,430	-	\$ -	- \$ -	20	\$ 3,300	- \$ -	-	\$ -	68	\$ 11,040	
3.0	Bike Mechanics Course	-	\$ -	2	\$ 520	16	\$ 2,720	- \$ -	-	\$ -	20	\$ 3,000	20	\$ 2,700	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	58	\$ 8,940	
Task 4	Evaluation and Assessment	10	\$ 3,400	34	\$ 8,840	1	\$ 170	4 \$ 1,1	60 70	\$ 14,700	200	\$ 30,000	148	\$ 19,980	14	\$ 4,270	30 \$ 7,050	122	\$ 20,130	- \$ -	-	\$ -	633	\$ 109,700	
4.:	GIS Data Collection	1	\$ 340	4	\$ 1,040	-	\$ -	2 \$ 5	80 20	\$ 4,200	55	\$ 8,250	46	\$ 6,210	4	\$ 1,220	4 \$ 940	20	\$ 3,300	- \$ -	-	\$ -	156	\$ 26,080	
4.2	Bicycle and Pedestrian Collision Analysis	2	\$ 680	2	\$ 520	-	\$ -	- \$ -	16	\$ 3,360	64	\$ 9,600	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	4 \$ 940	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	88	\$ 15,100	
4.3	3 Multimodal Counts	-	\$ -	2	\$ 520	-	\$ -	- \$ -	2	\$ 420	4	\$ 600	8	\$ 1,080	-	\$ -	6 \$ 1,410	40	\$ 6,600	- \$ -	-	\$ -	62	\$ 10,630	
4.4	Mobility Assessments	2	\$ 680	6	\$ 1,560	-	\$ -	- \$ -	20	\$ 4,200	40	\$ 6,000	24	\$ 3,240	-	\$ -	4 \$ 940	16	\$ 2,640	- \$ -	-	\$ -	112	\$ 19,260	
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4.0	Existing Conditions and Needs Analysis Memo	4	\$ 1,360	12	\$ 3,120	-	\$ -	2 \$ 5	80 8	\$ 1,680	16	\$ 2,400	40	\$ 5,400	6	\$ 1,830	4 \$ 940	10	\$ 1,650	- \$ -	-	\$ -	102	\$ 18,960	
Task 5	Engineering	4	\$ 1,360	20	\$ 5,200	6	\$ 1,020	8 \$ 2,3	20 40	\$ 8,400	88	\$ 13,200	-	\$ -	8	\$ 2,440	28 \$ 6,580	41	\$ 6,765	- \$ -	-	\$ -	243	\$ 47,285	
5.:	Safe Routes for Youth/Seniors/Festival Maps	2	\$ 680	8	\$ 2,080	2	\$ 340	- \$ -	24	\$ 5,040	60	\$ 9,000	-	\$ -	2	\$ 610	2 \$ 470	8	\$ 1,320	\$ -	-	\$ -	108	\$ 19,540	
5.2	Project Implementation Strategy Recommendations	2	\$ 680	12	\$ 3,120	4	\$ 680	8 \$ 2,3	20 16	\$ 3,360	28	\$ 4,200	-	\$ -	6	\$ 1,830	26 \$ 6,110	33	\$ 5,445	- \$ -	-	\$ -	135	\$ 27,745	
Task 6	Program Evaluation	10	\$ 3,400	48	\$ 12,480	82	\$ 13,940	4 \$ 1,1	60 18	\$ 3,780	54	\$ 8,100	92	\$ 12,420	6	\$ 1,830	- \$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	314	\$ 57,110	
	Draft Program Evaluation Report	6	\$ 2,040	24	\$ 6,240	48	\$ 8,160	4 \$ 1,1	60 12	\$ 2,520	32	\$ 4,800	60	\$ 8,100	4	\$ 1,220	- \$ -	_	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	190	\$ 34,240	
	Revised Program Evaluation Report	3	\$ 1,020	16	\$ 4,160	24	\$ 4,080	- \$ -	6	\$ 1,260	16	\$ 2,400	24	\$ 3,240	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	89	\$ 16,160	
	Final Program Evaluation Report	1	\$ 340	8	\$ 2,080	10	\$ 1,700	- \$ -		\$ -	6	\$ 900	8	\$ 1,080	2	\$ 610	- \$ -	_	\$ -	- \$ -	-	\$ -	35	\$ 6,710	
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Task 1	Project Management and Administration	-	\$ -	130	\$ 23,274	30	\$	4,088	14	\$	1,496	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	174	\$	28,859
	Project Kick-Off Meeting	-	\$ -	2	\$ 358	4	\$	545	-	\$	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	6	\$	903
	Bi-weekly Project Management Meetings (up to 70)	-	\$ -	32	\$ 5,729	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	32	\$	5,729
	Ad Hoc Committee Meetings (up to 8)	-	\$ -	40	\$ 7,161	26	_	3,543	14	\$	1,496	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	80	\$	12,201
	Transportation Committee Meetings (up to 2)	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-
	Executive Committee Meetings (up to 2)	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-
	Project Coordination and Invoicing	-	\$ -	56	\$ 10,026		\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	56	\$	10,026
Task 2	Community Outreach and Engagement	-	\$ -	44	\$ 7,877	50		6,814	71	\$	7,588	120	\$ 17,636	192	\$ 17,443	477	\$	57,359
2.1	Outreach and Engagement Plan	-	\$ -	12	\$ 2,148		· ·	2,180	8	\$	855	-	\$ -	30	\$ 2,726	66	\$	7,909
	Project Promotion	-	\$ -	32	\$ 5,729		\$	4,634	63	\$	6,733	120	\$ 17,636	162	\$ 14,718	411	\$	49,450
Task 3	Education and Encouragement Activities	-	\$ -	204	\$ 36,522		_	35,160	398	\$		32	\$ 4,703	688	\$ 62,505	1,580	\$	181,428
	Community Partner Coordination	-	\$ -	14	\$ 2,506		· ·	545	24	\$	2,565	-	\$ -	60	\$ 5,451	102	\$	11,068
3.2	Pop-Up Events (Up to 22)	-	\$ -	30	\$ 5,371	40	· ·	5,451	100	\$	10,688	-	\$ -	170	\$ 15,445	340	\$	36,955
	Community Events (Up to 10)	-	\$ -	110	\$ 19,693	150	\$	20,442	180	\$	19,238	-	\$ -	320	\$ 29,072	760	\$	88,446
	Community Challenges (Up to 2)	-	\$ -	18	\$ 3,223	32	\$	4,361	40	\$	4,275	-	\$ -	100	\$ 9,085	190	\$	20,944
	Festival Bike Services	-	\$ -	16	\$ 2,864		\$	3,271	24	\$	2,565	-	\$ -	30	\$ 2,726	94	\$	11,426
	Bike Mechanics Course	-	\$ -	16	\$ 2,864	8		1,090	30	\$	3,206	32	\$ 4,703	8	\$ 727	94	\$	12,591
Task 4	Evaluation and Assessment	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-
	GIS Data Collection	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-
	Bicycle and Pedestrian Collision Analysis	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$	-
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