

AGENDA STAFF REPORT

MEETING NAME: REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

MEETING DATE(S): AUGUST 14 & 18, 2025

FROM: DANNY FRIEND, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

FOR: ACTION X DIRECTION _____ INFORMATION _____



APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH CORONA ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING FOR PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF CHROMIUM-6 TREATMENT FACILITIES

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with Corona Environmental Consulting for the Preliminary Design of Chromium-6 Treatment Facilities, totaling \$638,370, plus an additional 10% contingency, for a not to exceed contract amount of \$702,207.

SUMMARY

To address the presence of chromium-6 in groundwater, the District is advancing the design of treatment facilities at key well sites. Corona Environmental Consulting has supported the District in this effort since July 2023, helping develop a compliance strategy and guiding the District's planning process. The proposed contract will initiate preliminary design work, including evaluation of treatment options, facility layout, and cost estimates, moving the District closer to implementation and regulatory compliance.

ANALYSIS

Corona Environmental Consulting was selected through the District's Engineering Services RFP issued in March 2023, which prequalified firms for technical assignments. Although this contract was not part of a separate RFP, the selection follows the same qualifications-based process. Corona was identified as the most qualified firm based on their experience and prior work developing the chromium-6 compliance plan.

The proposed contract initiates preliminary design for treatment facilities at certain wells, including evaluation of treatment options, facility layout, and cost estimates. This approach builds on existing work and ensures continuity and efficiency. See Attachment A for detailed scope and budget information.

FISCAL IMPACT & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

The proposed contract totals \$638,370, with a 10% contingency, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$702,207.

Funding is available through the District's approved Capital Improvement Program budget. This project directly supports Strategic Plan SMART Goal #2.1.3 – Chromium-6 MCL, advancing the District's commitment to regulatory compliance and safe drinking water.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Contract Agreement and Proposal

FINANCIAL DATA		
Cost Associated with this action:	\$702,207	
Current FY cost:	\$702,207	
Future FY cost:	\$0	
Is it covered in current year budget:	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Budget adjustment needed:	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, year needed:	N/A	
All previous contracts including dates, amounts and board approvals are attached or have been made available.		
FUNDING SOURCES		
Source of funds:	Water – 201	
BID/Job#	11451	
Current BID/Job balance	\$769,400	
Balance remaining if approved:	\$ 67,193	