CITY COUNCIL MEETING STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: September 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Consideration and Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Professional Service Agreement for Construction Management and Inspection, and Issue Task Orders for Engineering and Environmental Support Services During Construction of the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project [CWSRF Project No. C-06-8753-110]

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Wheatland City Council consider adoption of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute professional service agreements for construction management and inspection (CM&I) services, and issue task orders for engineering services during construction and environmental support services during construction of the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project.

DISCUSSION:

The Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project ("Project") is a portion of the larger South Yuba County Wastewater Infrastructure Project (a coordinated effort between Yuba Water Agency (YWA), Olivehurst Public Utilities District (OPUD), Yuba County and the City of Wheatland). The Wheatland Regional Sewer Project consists of the first 7.72-miles of a conveyance pipeline and pump stations that are capable of transporting 1.5-million gallons of sewage daily from the Malone Avenue Pump Station in Wheatland to the southerly limits of the OPUD service area on Rancho Road in south Yuba County. OPUD will construct a pipeline from the terminus of this Project to the OPUD wastewater treatment plant.

The following is a partial list of City Council actions taken to advance the design and environmental work for the Project:

- On July 28, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 35-20 approving the $2.6M grant/loan agreement to fund environmental and design efforts for the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project (Project) and authorizing the City Manager to sign the agreement.

- On November 10, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 43-20 amending the FY 2020-21 Budget and authorizing the City Manager to proceed with environmental review and engineering design for the Project.

- October 11, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 34-22, which, among other actions, authorized acceptance of an additional $2 million loan from the Yuba Water Agency for work associated with environmental, engineering design, right-of-way acquisition and grant funding work for the Project.

- The City conducted an environmental review and prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Project (SCH No. 2021110022). Based on the EIR, a Notice of Determination was made by the City Council on February 28, 2023, and was filed by the County Recorder on March 2, 2023.

- On July 17, 2026, the City advertised the Project for bids and on August 25, 2026, the City received ten bids for the Project.

- The award of construction contracts for the Project is anticipated at the September 22, 2026, City Council meeting.

On April 20, 2026, the City and OPUD jointly released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for construction Management and Inspection Services (CM&I) for the South Yuba County Wastewater Infrastructure Project (**Attachment 'B'**). Six written proposals were received by May 20, 2026, submission deadline. Proposals were evaluated by a review panel, consisting of the OPUD Public Works Manager Swarnjit Boyal, City Engineer Dane Schilling, a Principal Construction Manager from Coastland|DCCM and an Associate Engineer from Coastland|DCCM. Proposals were evaluated on the following criteria and weighted scoring:

- Project Understanding & unique ideas to enhance the project 20%
- Experience of firm(s) and specific staff including QA/QC 20%
- Ability to control costs and contractor schedule 30%
- References from former clients 20%
- Completeness and compliance with RFP format 10%

After individual evaluations were completed, the review panel met to confer and decided to invite five of the six firms to in-person interviews with the panel. Interviews were conducted on June 4, 2026. At the conclusion of the interviews, the selection panel deliberated and unanimously chose ICM Group (ICM) as its top-ranked proposer. ICM's cost proposal was reviewed by City and OPUD staff and minor adjustments were made. ICM's proposal and cost proposal are included in Attachment C.

Also, the City's design engineering team, headed by Coastland|DCCM, is needed to provide technical support to ICM's efforts in overseeing the proper construction of the City's Regional Sewer Pipeline Project. When needed and requested, Coastland|DCCM will provide responses to design related questions from the contractor, review engineering submittals and perform as-needed construction observations during the course of the 30-month construction process.

Similarly, the City's planning and environmental team, headed by Raney Planning and Management, will provide on-going environmental review and permitting services during construction of the project as required by the environmental permits issued by California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE).

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total proposed cost to the City for the above-described services are:

Construction Management and Inspection - ICM Group	(City only)	$2,943,829
Engineering Services During Construction-Coastland|DCCM		$1,336,982
Environmental Services During Construction-Raney Planning & Mgmt		$ 200,000
TOTAL		**$4,480,685**

Although the CM&I services contract will be established with the City, the services and costs will be shared with OPUD in accordance with the individual fee proposals submitted by ICM Group for each agency's project. These City's costs for these services are within the project budget and will be paid for under the various funding sources for the Project including State Water Resources Control Board grant funds, potential USDA loan and grant funding, other outside loan funding, and City of Wheatland sewer impact fees. No General Fund resources will be utilized for this Project.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Wheatland and OPUD (MOU) is being finalized. Accordingly, a Notice to Proceed will not be issued by the City to either contractor until the MOU is executed by both parties.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – Resolution
Attachment B – RFP for Construction Management & Inspection Services
Attachment C – ICM Proposal