DEPARTMENT: Public Works/Roads

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Resolution authorizing Public Works to enter into a Contract with option to renew the Contract on a year to year, for four years with Thunder Ridge Company for snow removal services for the Fish Camp area. The Public Works Director may approve reasonable rate increases due to fuel expenses not to exceed 5% per year; and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute said Contract.

The current costs for the 2005/06 snow season are $80 per hour for snow blading and $130 per hour for snow blowing and sanding.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Thunder Ridge Company has been providing snow removal services, under contract, in the Fish Camp area for the past several years. They have reliable equipment and have been very conscientious in their efforts to remove snow in a timely manner and avoid citizen complaints.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1. Do not approve; a new Contract will have to be brought before the Board for approval each year.
2. Do not approve; go out for snow removal bids each year. This is costly and time consuming and results may not yield any other contractors in the Fish Camp area.
3. Direct Public Works Road Division to provide snow removal in Fish Camp. There is not manpower in that area, nor does the department have existing equipment necessary to do the job. This option would be most costly as well as take manpower away from the local Road Division operations.

Financial Impact? (x) Yes ( ) No  Current FY Cost: $
Budgeted In Current FY? (x) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $ 49,000
Additional Funding Needed: $ __________
Source: Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue 4/5's vote
Transfer Between Funds 4/5's vote
Contingency 4/5's vote
( ) General ( ) Other

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 3-15  Ord. No. ______
Vote – Ayes: _____  Noes: _____
Absent: _____
( ) Approved
( ) Minute Order Attached  ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.
Date: __________
Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: __________
Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
____ Requested Action Recommended
____ No Opinion
Comments:
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
CAO: __________
TO: DANA HERTFELDER, Public Works Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing Public Works to enter into a Contract with Option to Renew the Contract on a Year to Year Basis, for Four Years with Thunder Ridge Company for Snow Removal Services for the Fish Camp Area. The Public Works Director may approve Reasonable Rate Increases Due to Fuel Expenses Not to Exceed 5% Per Year; and Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to Execute Said Contract (Public Works Director); Res. 06-131 was adopted approving the agreement for a four year term, with authority for the Public Works Director to approve rate increases

RESOLUTION 06-131

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPosa COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on April 4, 2006

ACTION AND VOTE:

12:04 p.m. Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)

BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Turpin pulled item 2. (M)Bibby, (S)Fritz, the balance of the items was approved, including the corrected page that was provided for item 3/Ayes: Unanimous.

Consent Agenda item 2 – contract with Thunder Ridge Company for snow removal services for the Fish Camp area. Supervisor Turpin initiated discussion relative to the services to be provided and relative to the term of the contract. Supervisor Bibby asked whether the contract would come back on an annual basis for renewal. Dana Hertfelder, Public Works Director, advised that the contract does not address culvert openings and tree removal from the roadways – this would be done as needed to accommodate the snow removal. He advised that he needs to clarify the dates of the contract. Tom Guarino, County Counsel, responded to questions from the Board relative to contracting requirements and he advised that the contract should come back each year for the Board to exercise its option to renew. Discussion was held, including the possibility of addressing the contract renewal during the final budget process each year. (M)Pickard, (S)Turpin, item 2 was approved, with direction that the contract be brought back to the Board each year during its term for renewal. Further discussion was held. The motion was amended, agreeable with the maker and second, to include authority for the Public Works Director to renew the contract on an annual basis, with information on the renewal to be provided on the Information portion of the agenda through 2010. Mary Hodson, Deputy County Administrative Officer, provided input relative to the budget process and she advised that the budget does not reflect the contractors. Following discussion, the motion was further amended, agreeable with the maker and second, to change the term of the contract to
four years to expire in 2010, and to include authority for the Public Works Director to approve reasonable rate increases if such rate increases are needed. Supervisor Bibby/Ayes: Unanimous.

CA-2 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing Public Works to enter into a Contract with Option to Renew the Contract on a Year to Year Basis, for Four Years with Thunder Ridge Company for Snow Removal Services for the Fish Camp Area. The Public Works Director may approve Reasonable Rate Increases Due to Fuel Expenses Not to Exceed 5% Per Year; and Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to Execute Said Contract (Public Works Director); Res. 06-131 was adopted approving the agreement for a four year term, with authority for the Public Works Director to approve rate increases

Cc: Chris Ebie, Auditor
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