RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2014-199

MEETING: May 6, 2014

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Peter Rei, Public Works Director

RE: Approve Change Order #1 with Mark Long Construction for Tauchen Mine Reclamation

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve Change Order #1 with Mark Long Construction in the Amount of $34,520 for a Total Compensation of $93,320 for Additional Work Performed on the Tauchen Mine Reclamation Projects, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Change Order.

There is sufficient funding available from the mines' financial assurances to pay for the original contract costs and the change order. No General Fund monies were used or are necessary for the contract or the change order.

The two abandoned mines which were reclaimed are located on the Tauchen Property Between Pendola Gardens, Old Toll Road and State Highway 49.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

On December 10, 2013 the Board approved a contract with Mark Long Construction in the amount of $58,800 to perform reclamation work on two abandoned mining sites.

The original scope of work for the project involved tractor work to fill in the old mining pits, soften the steepness of the mine faces, grade mined areas to make natural appearing slopes, blend graded slopes in with adjacent non-mined areas, remove debris on the ground surface and revegetate the sites.

During the process of the contractor performing the tractor work it was discovered that there was a very large quantity of old garbage buried on the site. The removal of this trash is a large increase in the scope of the original contract. The contractor diligently removed the old garbage and hauled it off to the landfill as directed by Public Works staff.
Following the completion of the original tractor work and the removal of the
garbage, Public Works and Planning staff determined that there was sufficient
funding remaining in the project budget to perform some additional
reclamation work. That additional work included the cutting off and removal of
several large concrete pillars remaining from the mining operation and
additional work to lessen the steepness of the working face of the Bear Valley
Quarry and additional tractor work at the Bear Creek Slate Quarry.

All of these additional items of work have now been completed. The contractor
and the Public Works Department worked very cooperatively in completing
both the original scope of work and the requested additional work. Change
Order #1 is the total compensation due to Mark Long Construction for all of the
extra work that was performed in excess of the original contract. The change
order will be covered by a portion of the mines' financial assurances; these
monies are expressly for use for reclaiming abandoned mines.

Public Works and Planning staff would like to compliment Mark Long
Construction and their operator, Keith Williams, for their exemplary work and
cooperation in cleaning up these two abandoned mine sites.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
None that can be recommended. The contractor did the work very competently
and in accordance with the requests of both the Planning and Public Works
departments. They deserve to be compensated for that work.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
No impact to General Fund. A total of $99,827 was budgeted for this work
(approved in the FY 13-14 Budget and in separate action by Board on 12/10/13
to amend the Budget).

ATTACHMENTS:
Change Order No. 1 - Mark Long Construction (PDF)
Contract with Mark Long Construction (PDF)
Before & After Photos Bear Valley Quarry Face (DOCX)
Before & After Photos Bear Creek Slate Quarry (DOCX)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Rick Benson, County Administrator 12/10/13
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER: Janet Bibby, District III Supervisor
AYES: Stetson, Jones, Bibby, Cann, Carrier