RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2014-467

MEETING: September 9, 2014

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Doug Wilson, Interim Public Works Director

RE: Approve a Professional Services Agreement with CH2MHILL for Darrah Road Bridge

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a Professional Services Agreement with CH2MHILL for Bridge Design Services for the Replacement of the Darrah Road Bridge (Bridge No. 40C0033) in the Not to Exceed Amount of $291,298.36 And Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Agreement.

CH2MHILL will provide project management, environmental analysis, design and engineering for the replacement of the Darrah Road Bridge.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) administers the Federal Highway Bridge Program as part of the current Federal Transportation Bill, MAP-21. Caltrans manages the program in the State of California.

Under current regulations, being an "on system" bridge, only 80% of the approved funding is reimbursed under the Highway Bridge Program.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
This bridge was originally approved for widening under the Highway Bridge Program in the early ninety's. However, for various reasons not much progress was made except for signing off on the Categorical Exemption for NEPA in July 2010. A feasibility review was done at the request of Caltrans and has granted Mariposa County a time extension until September 1, 2017, to award the construction contract. E-76 for the scope has been received.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
The Board could choose not to approve this Agreement which would mean that the bridge would not be replaced and the County would have to reimburse FHWA an amount of $109,178.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Allocation was approved by the Board on 7/22/14, Res 2014-375. Total allocation $330,000.00, county match from General Fund Contingency $66,000. These funds will be allocated during the final budget balancing process.

ATTACHMENTS:
Agreement with CH2MHILL-Darrah Road  (PDF)
Letter Dated November 25, 2013 from Dept of Transportation  (PDF)
Amendment Modification Summary (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Rick Benson, County Administrative Officer

RESULT:  ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:  Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER:  John Carrier, District V Supervisor
AYES: Stetson, Jones, Bibby, Cann, Carrier