

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes\_ No\_X)

A resolution approving an agreement with Integrated Recycling, Inc. (IRI) to prepare a request for proposal (RFP) for a mixed solid waste (MSW) composting facility and authorizing the Public Works Director to sign such agreement.

The drafting of the RFP is the next step in determining the future of a MSW composting facility for the County of Mariposa. IRI has worked with staff, Yosemite National Park (YNP) and the State since the beginning of this project.

The total cost of the Agreement with IRI is \$90,000. YNP is now in the process of obtaining \$50,000 to match the contribution by the County. The difference of \$10,000 will provide a contingency and be used to offset such expenses as postage, telephone, fax, meetings and possible travel.

The interest for this project within the waste/composting industry has been exceedingly high with over 80 written requests for requests for qualifications (RFQ) and 11 firms attending our pre-submittal RFQ conference. Three of those 11 firms came from out of state.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Numerous presentations have been made to the Board on this project. The two most recent being on March 19, 1996, when the Board approved IRI's drafting of the RFQ (Res. No. 96-103) and on August 6, 1996, when the Board approved \$50,000 for the RFP. The \$50,000 was confirmed in the budget process.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

- 1) Do not approve the contract and direct staff to proceed with a professional services solicitation process. It will take approximately two months for the consultant RFP/interview/ selection/ contracting procedures. No other firm is likely to have the specific expertise to best serve the needs of the landfill.
- 2) Do not approve these services and cancel the project. The County would need to continue with its original plan to comply with AB 939, the cost of which has not been budgeted. This scenario would not solve the other problems such as soil cover supply, Subtitle D compliance and septage/sludge disposal.

COSTS: ( ) Not Applicable

A. Budgeted current FY \$50,000

B. Total anticipated costs \$100,000

C. Required additional funding \*\$50,000

D. Internal transfers \$

SOURCE: ( ) 4/5th Vote Required

A. Unanticipated revenues \$

B. Reserve for contingencies \$

C. Source description: Matching funds provided by YNP

Balance in Reserve Contingencies, if approved: \$

\*Cooperative Agreement with YNP provides for these funds

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:  
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:  
1) Agreement for RFQ Preparation (8 pgs)

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Res. No.: 96-417 Ord. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: \_\_\_\_\_

Absent: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Approved ( ) Denied

( ) 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

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:  
This item on agenda as:

Recommended

Not Recommended

For Policy Determination

Submitted with Comment

Returned for Further Action

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

A.O. Initials: *MS*