

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

By: Michael Edwards
Public Works Director

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No X)

Presentation of the draft pre-design report for the Don Pedro sewer system rehabilitation by Nolte and Associates.

Board concurrence is sought on the preferred alternative for long-term rehabilitation. Board direction is also requested on funding alternatives. Lastly, the Board's authorization for the Public Works Director to negotiate and execute a final design contract with Nolte and Associates is requested, contingent upon County Counsel review.

These actions are necessary for the project to proceed on a "fast-track" basis, as recommended by the County Water Agency Advisory Board, to avoid more short-term costs next winter (contingent on funding for construction). It is staff's opinion that Nolte and Associates is the most qualified firm to do this work, and the costs would not be less with another.

Staff will further investigate funding alternatives, based on Board direction, and return later with specific recommendations.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

On March 22, 1994, Nolte presented the Facility Needs Study. The Board, at that time, authorized the Public Works Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Nolte for the pre-design report. This was funded through a \$40,000 Water Agency grant approved in the FY 93/94 budget.

In the FY 94/95 budget, an additional \$72,000 grant was approved by the Water Agency for final design costs.

On September 16, 1994, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board adopted new waste discharge requirements, water reclamation requirements and a "cease and desist" order for this facility. On October 25, 1994, staff requested \$140,000 additional County Water Agency funding for two years of short-term costs to comply with the new requirements and the cease and desist order. The Water Agency Advisory Board had concurred, but recommended a "fast-track" approach to avoid the second year's costs. The Water Agency approved only \$33,000, which addresses only one year of compliance with water quality and monitoring costs, but not the storage and disposal costs.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1. Negative action. Project would be delayed indefinitely and opportunity to complete design and arrange funding for construction by next winter could be lost.
2. Defer action to review other alternatives and/or issue an RFP for the design services. Similar results as above.

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: MIKE EDWARDS, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, CLERK OF THE BOARD *mw*
SUBJECT: DON PEDRO SEWER SYSTEM REHABILITATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on November 15, 1994

ACTION AND VOTE:

D) Presentation of Draft Pre-Design Report for the Don Pedro Sewer System Rehabilitation by Nolte and Associates
BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Mike Edwards/Public Works Director, and Wally Sandlin/Nolte and Associates, concerning report and waste discharge requirements. Art Hardin/Ad Hoc Sewer Committee, provided clarification as to the location of the system with regards to the golf course. Discussion was continued to after the following item.

Continued discussion was held concerning the report, alternatives and funding. Bart Brown asked about the number of improved lots and the relationship between the stand-by and user fees. (M)Balmain, (S)Taber, Res. 94-490 adopted approving and authorizing Public Works Director to negotiate and execute a final design contract with Nolte and Associates, contingent upon County Counsel's review, based on alternative numbers 2 and 4; with funding mechanism to be brought back for Board consideration with updated report on the alternatives on December 13, 1994. Motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, to include direction that consideration of assessments be included in information to be brought back/Ayes: Balmain, Erickson, Parker, Taber; Excused: Baggett.

cc: Dr. Mosher, County Health Officer
Ken Hawkins, Auditor
Jeff Green, County Counsel
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