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## Memorandum

Date: August 10, 2017

To: Board of Directors

From: Kellyx Nelson

Re: Recommendation to Contract with Storesund Engineering for Loma Mar Stream

Flow Enhancement Project

The RCD recommends **Storesund Consulting** to produce engineered designs that will upgrade the existing water supply infrastructure for the community of Loma Mar, in the Pescadero Creek watershed. This project will increase water security for the community and reduce the impacts of stream diversion on Pescadero Creek. Currently, only Phase I of this project is funded which will produce designs and permit applications. When funded, Phase II will include implementation.

This project will take place in the community of Loma Mar located approximately 6 miles east of Pescadero (see appendix A). The Loma Mar Mutual Water Company (LMMWC) provides water to 36 residential water users and has nearly 1.2 miles of outdated pipeline, some of which dates back to the 1930s.

This project will provide water audits to assess outdated pipelines for leaks and complete designs, planning, and permitting to replace outdated infrastructure. Improving storage security for the community of Loma Mar, and developing more efficient water management strategies, will result in measurable benefits to instream flow for Pescadero Creek by reducing the likelihood of catastrophic leaks that occur in the LMMWC water system. These efforts will minimize the amount of water taken from Pescadero Creek during critical dry summer months when stream flows are lowest leaving valuable water resources in the creek for Coho salmon and Steelhead trout.

A Request for Proposals was distributed to over 15 construction firms and partners on June 16, 2017. Five individuals from five companies participated in the pre-bid site visit on June 29, 2017. Only Storesund Consulting bid on the project. Storesund Consulting's proposal totaled \$55,854.

After checking all references and deliberating with project partners the project team decided to recommend Storesund Consulting to complete this project because:

- Storesund Consulting was the only company to bid on the project and is qualified to do the work.
- Their bid was within the RCD's budget for the project.
- When checking references, the firm received excellent evaluations for similar projects.
- The RCD has a satisfactory history of experience working with Storesund Consulting.

## **Appendix A**

