

## Memorandum

Date: December 13, 2018  
To: Board of Directors  
From: Kellyx Nelson  
Re: Recommendation to Contract with K & D Landscaping Inc. for installation of the new irrigation system at Carpy Ranch

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RCD staff recommends K & D Landscaping Inc. for the construction of a new irrigation system at Carpy Ranch. This is the second phase of the Pescadero Creek Streamflow Improvement Project at Carpy Ranch<sup>1</sup> and will enable the new 16-acre foot (AF) agricultural water storage pond that was built in summer 2018 to be used. The irrigation system and pond are part of the RCD's effort to add water security for local farms and enhance streamflow in Pescadero Creek for anadromous fish and other riparian species.

Carpy Ranch is in Pescadero, northwest of the junction of Stage Road and North Street (see site map) bordering Bradley Creek on its eastern edge and Pescadero Creek to the south. The ranch encompasses several hundred acres of coastal agricultural grassland. Current agricultural uses of the ranch include cattle grazing, growing hay, and growing pumpkins. Installation of the new irrigation system will allow Carpy Ranch to utilize the newly built reservoir and cease diversions from the creek during the dry season (August-October), allowing critically important instream flow to remain in Pescadero creek.

A Request for Bids was distributed to 5 contractors and posted on the RCD's website on November 5, 2018. K & D Landscaping, Inc. and one other firm attended the pre-bid meeting. K & D Landscaping, Inc. was the only firm to submit a bid. The bid totaled \$263,021, which exceeds the project budget.

After checking references and deliberating with project partners RCD staff recommends K & D Landscaping Inc. to complete the project if K & D Landscaping Inc. can reduce its bid cost to within budget, per discretion of the project manager.

RCD staff recommends K & D Landscaping Inc. for the following reasons:

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<sup>1</sup> Phase 1 contract for Campbell Grading, Inc. was approved by the Board of Directors in April 2018 under the name "Creek Streamflow Enhancement Project, Carpy Ranch. "

- K&D Landscaping Inc. met all submission requirements, submitting a complete package on time.
- The work proposed by K&D Landscaping Inc. is sound and would accomplish the project objectives.
- The RCD has had positive experiences in previous work with K & D Landscaping Inc.
- All references gave K & D Landscaping Inc. outstanding recommendations.
- K & D Landscaping Inc. was the only company to bid on the project.

# Site Map

## Carpy Ranch Project Site

Created By: Jarrad Fisher  
Date: 10/10/2017



