

Memorandum

Date: January 9, 2019
To: Board of Directors
From: Kellyx Nelson
Re: Recommendation to contract with Hanford Applied Restoration & Conservation for the Butano Creek Channel Restoration and Resiliency Project

Recommendation

RCD staff recommends contracting with Hanford Applied Restoration & Conservation (Hanford ARC) to construct the Butano Creek Channel Restoration and Resiliency Project for \$4,173,915.

This project will re-establish the Butano Creek channel in the Pescadero Marsh Natural Preserve and adjacent properties in Pescadero. Specifically, it will re-establish nearly 8,000 feet of the historic creek channel, remove approximately 45,000 cubic yards of sediment from the historic channel, and beneficially re-use the material in Butano Marsh.

A Request for Bids (RFB) was distributed to twenty-one qualified firms and posted on the RCD's website on October 30, 2018. Fourteen firms attended a pre-bid tour on November 13, 2018. Three firms submitted bids, which were reviewed by a six-member committee that included two RCD staff members and representatives from cbec ecoengineering, *Alnus* Ecological, Eric Polson (a consulting engineer with extensive dredging experience), and California State Parks. Reviewers scored in five categories (sample score sheets were included in the RFB): project experience working with RCDs or other public agencies; low bid; cost considerations; construction approach and sequencing; and experience with similar projects as demonstrated by completed projects and references.

RCD staff recommends Hanford ARC because:

- Hanford ARC is the unanimous recommendation of the review committee. The firm received the highest total score and was ranked first by each reviewer. Hanford received a total score of 29.5 out of a total possible score of 36. The other two scores were 21 and 20.
- Hanford ARC had the lowest bid. They earned additional points for the low bid, but still would have earned the highest score if another firm had been the lowest bid.

- Hanford ARC’s construction approach is most consistent with the reviewers’ expectations and understanding of the site.
- RCD and other reviewers have had positive experiences in previous work with Hanford ARC and found them to be creative and innovative with on-site problem solving.
- RCD staff checked Hanford ARC’s references and received reports of outstanding work.

Location

