

**MOTION NO. M2011-45**  
**On-call Environmental Services Contract Amendment**

<b>MEETING:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>	<b>TYPE OF ACTION:</b>	<b>STAFF CONTACT:</b>	<b>PHONE:</b>
Capital Committee	06/09/11	Final Action	Ric Ilgenfritz, Executive Director PEPD <b>Ellie Ziegler, Senior Environmental Planner</b>	206-398-5239 206-398-5135

**PROPOSED ACTION**

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Environmental Science Associates to provide on-call environmental services on an as-needed basis in the amount of \$865,000 for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$2,725,000.

**KEY FEATURES**

- The contract amendment with Environmental Science Associates (ESA) would allow the contractor to continue to provide the following:
  - Technical assistance with preparation, and procurement of environmental documentation, permits, and approvals
  - Design of mitigation sites
  - Environmental oversight and auditing of construction work
  - Other environmental work for agency-wide capital projects on an as-needed basis.
- The original contract was authorized by the Board in April 2008 and included funding for the first three years of the contract, but not the two one-year options. This contract amendment will fund the two one-year options to continue environmental services until a new environmental on-call contract is procured in early 2013.
- Work under this contract will continue to be assigned on a task order basis after available budget is verified and cost proposals are negotiated with the contractor. The cost estimate for this amendment is based upon expenditure rates from the previous year of this contract.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Sound Transit Office of Environmental Affairs and Sustainability is responsible for providing needs assessments, and preparing and procuring environmental permits and approvals for projects on an as-needed basis. This includes developing, implementing, and/or monitoring mitigation plans for project impacts and environmental analysis needed to meet the requirements of other regulations such as NEPA, SEPA, Endangered Species Act and other environmental standards. ESA will assist the Environmental Affairs and Sustainability office in completing this work.

**FISCAL INFORMATION**

This on-call contract amendment will be used for Sounder, ST Express, and Link capital projects and projects currently in operation. Costs incurred under this contract are budgeted in the preliminary engineering and final design phases within the overall capital project budgets, or the post construction phase within operating expenses in the Service Delivery budget. The services will be authorized on a task order basis after available budget is verified. Since the proposed

services will be assigned on an as-needed basis, the distribution of costs will be determined as project schedules and budgets are established.

## **SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION**

Sound Transit Goal:

Small Business: 13%

DBE: 13%

Commitment:

DBE/Small Business: 29%

To date, this contract has exceeded the contract commitment with DBE firms performing more than 36% of the work.

<b>Subconsultant/Subcontractor</b>	<b>Business Type</b>	<b>% of Work</b>	<b>Dollar Value</b>
Heffron Transportation	DBE	7%	\$130,200
Northwest Archaeological Assoc.	DBE	2%	\$37,200
Paragon Research Assoc.	DBE	2%	\$37,200
Springwood Assoc.	DBE	2%	\$37,200
Triangle Associates	DBE	1%	\$18,600
True North Land Surveying	DBE	5%	\$93,000
Wakerobin	DBE	2%	\$37,200
White Shield	DBE	5%	\$93,000
Cascade Interpretive	Small Business	1%	\$18,600
HWA GeoSciences	Small Business	1%	\$18,600
Restoration Logistics	Small Business	1%	\$18,600
<b>Total</b>		<b>29%</b>	<b>\$539,400</b>

## **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT WORKFORCE PROFILE**

260 employees; 50% women; 18% minorities.

## **BACKGROUND**

In April 2008, Sound Transit executed a contract with ESA for on-call environmental services to assist Sound Transit with unanticipated environmental needs of capital projects and facilities. Since executing this contract, Sound Transit has issued approximately 60 task orders including work related to environmental permitting, documentation, construction oversight, archaeological monitoring, and wetland mitigation assistance. Under this amendment, task orders are expected to be used for similar work.

The contract scope includes work currently planned and budgeted in multiple capital projects in the Design, Construction and Construction Management Department. It may also include projects related to facilities that are in operation.

Permits and other authorizations that are required will vary by individual project and may include, but are not limited to the following: Endangered Species Act consultations, Army Corps permits, Coastal Zone Management Certifications, hydraulic project approvals, Aquatic Use authorizations, Forest Practices permits, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits, Shoreline permits, and Critical Areas Ordinance approvals. The contract may also include working with local tribes whose usual and accustomed fishing areas intersect with Sound Transit's service area.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

SSK 5-25-11

## **PRIOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTIONS**

Motion No. M2008-21 – Authorized the chief executive officer to execute a three-year contract with two one-year options to extend with ESA Adolfsen Associates to provide on-call environmental services for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$1,860,000.

## **TIME CONSTRAINTS**

A one month delay would not have a significant impact. A delay beyond August may delay projects requiring environmental work.

## **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

Not applicable to this action.

## **LEGAL REVIEW**

JW 6/2/11

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A motion of the Capital Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Environmental Science Associates to provide on-call environmental services on an as-needed basis in the amount of \$865,000 for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$2,725,000.

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### **MOTION:**

It is hereby moved by the Capital Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute a contract amendment with Environmental Science Associates to provide on-call environmental services on an as-needed basis in the amount of \$865,000 for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$2,725,000.

APPROVED by the Capital Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on June 9, 2011.



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Fred Butler  
Capital Committee Chair

ATTEST:



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Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator