



October 6, 2022

Board of Directors
Ventura Regional Sanitation District
Ventura, California

CONSIDER AND APPROVE VRSD PURCHASE ORDER NO. 10099 WITH AGROMIN FOR THE DELIVERY OF MULCH TO THE TIERRA REJADA LANDFILL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$73,000

RECOMMENDATION

- A. Approve, and authorize the General Manager to issue, proposed VRSD Purchase Order No. 10099 with Agromin for the delivery of mulch to the Tierra Rejada Landfill in an amount not to exceed \$73,000.
- B. Approve a budget adjustment of \$73,000 with \$18,250 coming from the District's available funds and \$54,750 from the Consortium partners (Rancho Simi Parks & Recreation, City of Simi Valley, County of Ventura) which will be paid/reimbursed to VRSD.

FISCAL IMPACT

The FY 2022-23 Budget includes \$345,000 for this budget, with 25% coming from VRSD while the remaining 75% coming from the consortium partners. However, all of the existing allocation and more is necessary to cover other project costs of \$656,880. An additional allocation of \$73,000 is required to fund this contract. Of the additional \$73,000 allocation with \$18,250 (25%) from VRSD available funds and \$54,750 (75%) from the Consortium partners.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The Tierra Rejada Landfill sustained significant damage, as a result of last year's heavy rain event. The rain event washed out whatever slope stabilization vegetation had been planted on the slopes of this closed landfill. This result was only worsened by the fact that such vegetation had not fully established itself due to the persistent drought conditions.

In addition to evaluating the repairs needed at the landfill, VRSD staff evaluated various options to protect the landfill from further similar events. The options ranged from standard hydro seeding to complete soil reconditioning with hydro seeding. The

Consortium believes a protective mulch layer applied to the surface is the most cost effective method to meet the needs of the landfill. This is a practice that is used by most active landfills as a best management process (BMP) for storm water erosions and to allow moisture retention for vegetation time to grow.

Agromin, a major local supplier of mulch in Ventura County, will supply the mulch for this project at the Tierra Rejada landfill at no cost, but they are requesting the Consortium to pay for the cost of delivery or trucking cost for this mulch.

Therefore, based upon the foregoing explanation and the need to prevent future damage and allow vegetation to reestablish as cover for the closed landfill, District staff recommends Board approval of the purchase order with Agromin for delivery services of mulch to the Tierra Rejada landfill in an amount not to exceed \$73,000. Each of the Consortium partners will ultimately fund 25% of the total cost.

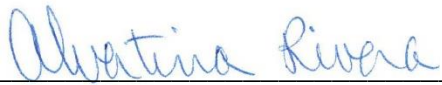
This letter has been reviewed by Legal Counsel as to form.

If you should have any questions or need additional information, please contact me by phone at (805) 658-4679 or email at RichardJones@vrzd.com.



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APPROVED FOR AGENDA:



Chris Theisen, General Manager

Attachments: None