



Staff Report

Agenda Item:	5	Name:	Michelle Clark
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Proposed Resolution FCD2021-04: A resolution authorizing the chair to enter into an amendment to the agreement for professional services to prepare a programmatic environmental impact statement on the Lower Green River Corridor Plan.

Proposed Resolution FCD2021-04 authorizes the chair to enter into an amendment to the agreement with Parametrix for the purpose of preparing the King County Flood Control District's (District) Lower Green River Corridor Flood Hazard Management Plan and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (LGRCFHMP PEIS) process. FCD2016-05.2 authorized the chair to enter into the original contract and FCDECM2019-04 was the most recent amendment to the original contract. This contract amendment complies with the King County Flood Control District's (District) new procurement policy FCD2020-13 approved June 2020.

The District's LGRCFHMP PEIS represents the largest and most challenging integrated floodplain management program envisioned for the central Puget Sound area in our state's history. The expected outcomes of the LGRCFHMP PEIS are:

1. A shared vision and goals for the Lower Green River corridor related to integrated floodplain management;
2. A Draft PEIS for public review; and
3. A final environmental impact statement and Lower Green River Flood Hazard Management Plan for adoption by the District.

The next phase of the contract is intended to cover:

1. Continued support for the Executive Steering Committee created by FCD20-07 (integrated floodplain management motion adopted in November 2020);
2. Development of up to five alternatives to be evaluated in the Draft PEIS;
3. The remaining work necessary to complete and publish the Draft PEIS and all associated appendices and studies;
4. Services during the official comment period for the Draft PEIS; and
5. Public involvement at four project milestones:
 - a. Announcement of new alternatives and SEPA re-rescoping;
 - b. Review of the affected environment with historically disadvantaged communities to better inform impact evaluation;
 - c. Education in anticipation of the Draft PEIS; and

d. Outreach during the comment period.

The amendment to the contract for project management services is for an amount not to exceed total of \$2,363,486.36 and is for a term of 18 months. A detailed scope of work and budget are attached to the proposed contract amendment. Key elements of the contract amendment are:

1. Up to \$90,000 to conduct public outreach relating to re-opening the SEPA scoping comment period;
2. \$200,000 for management reserves enabling Parametrix to respond to reasonably foreseeable needs arising from the hydraulic modeling, the need to examine mitigation opportunities in the Middle Green River, and the Executive Steering Committee; and
3. \$130,000 for translation of up to 200 pages of project documents into five additional languages (Chinese, Korean, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese). \$20,000 for interpretation services requested via outreach efforts.

The general schedule for this contract amendment and scope of work is:

1. 2021 Q2/Q3: Finalize new alternatives;
2. 2021 Q4: Begin impacts evaluation, mitigation development, and technical appendices to the PEIS;
3. 2022 Q1: Complete and issue the Draft PEIS and begin the comment period;
4. 2022 Q2: Complete comment period, review comments, and begin strategizing the preferred alternative; and
5. 2022 Q3: Wrap up.

An additional contract amendment is anticipated to prepare the final PEIS.

Attachments

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Lower Green – Consultant Scoping for Draft PEIS Phase memo