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Mendocino County Board of Supervisors
501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010
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RE: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND AWARD, FOR AN AMOUNT GREATER THAN PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED; PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED ESTIMATE OF \$516,000 INCREASED TO \$1,104,000, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT NUMBER 160078 TO CONSTRUCT THE LAYTONVILLE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER TEN MILE CREEK ON BRANSCOMB ROAD, COUNTY ROAD 429 (LAYTONVILLE AREA)

Honorable Board Members:

Mendocino County Department of Transportation (DOT) Contract Number (No.) 160078 will provide for construction of the Laytonville Pedestrian Bridge over Ten Mile Creek on Branscomb Road, County Road 429. This project is for the construction of a new, pre-fabricated, multi-use pedestrian bridge alongside the existing vehicle bridge. It will provide for the passage of bicycle, equestrian, and pedestrian traffic.

The construction portion of the project is to be funded with Federal Transportation Enhancement Activities funds administered through the State Transportation Improvement Program, Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG) funds, and the Road Fund (including Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA)/SB-1 funds).

DOT received authorization for construction from the California Transportation Commission on October 19, 2016. The Board of Supervisors, by Resolution No. 16-142 (December 6, 2016), gave the Director of Transportation the authority to advertise for bids and award DOT Contract No. 160078 for construction costs up to \$516,000.

The Board of Supervisors by Resolution No. 07-008 (January 9, 2007), gave the Director of Transportation the authority to execute changes to any DOT contract that exceeds \$250,000 as specified by section 20395 of the California Public Contract Code with the stipulation that no change or alteration will exceed \$150,000. The draft resolution prepared by DOT staff personnel states the same.

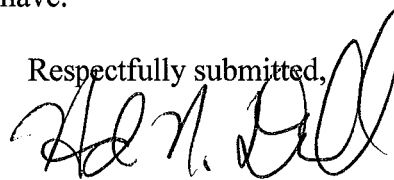
Bids were opened as scheduled on January 19, 2017. The lowest responsive, responsible bidder was Bridgeway Civil Constructors, Inc., with a bid of \$723,347. DOT rejected all bids because the low bid exceeded the Engineer's Estimate by \$209,055. DOT rejected all bids and researched alternatives to reduce construction costs. When DOT determined construction costs could not be substantially reduced, DOT requested an extension from the California Transportation Commission for the expiring funding obligation and researched additional funding sources. DOT has now obtained additional funding from MCOG and RMRA/SB-1, and has applied for additional funding from MCOG. Current total construction costs are estimated to be \$1,104,000, including contingency and construction engineering and the work will span the summer 2018 construction season.

I recommend and request that the Board authorize and direct the Director of Transportation to advertise for construction bids, and to award DOT Contract No. 160078 to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, to construct the Laytonville Pedestrian Bridge over Ten Mile Creek.

DOT staff personnel have prepared a draft resolution which provides said authorization for the Board's consideration and adoption.

I will, of course, respond to any questions the Board may have.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director of Transportation

Enclosure

cc: DOT Project File A-1201