

**COUNTY OF MENDOCINO
STANDARD SERVICES AGREEMENT**

**MITIGATION MONITORING AND MAINTENANCE FOR THE ACKERMAN CREEK
BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

This Agreement is by and between the COUNTY OF MENDOCINO, hereinafter referred to as the "COUNTY", and SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the "CONSULTANT".

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the COUNTY recently finished replacing the bridge over Ackerman Creek on North State Street, County Road (CR) 104, with a new concrete box girder bridge constructed on the same alignment; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need for post construction vegetation mitigation and monitoring services for five years following construction; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 31000, COUNTY may retain independent CONSULTANTS to perform special services to or for COUNTY or any department thereof; and,

WHEREAS, COUNTY desires to obtain CONSULTANT for its Environmental Professional Services for post construction vegetation mitigation and monitoring; and,

WHEREAS, CONSULTANT is willing to provide such services on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and is willing to provide same to COUNTY.

NOW, THEREFORE it is agreed that COUNTY does hereby retain CONSULTANT to provide the services described in Exhibit A, and CONSULTANT accepts such engagement, on the General Terms and Conditions hereinafter specified in this Agreement, the Additional Provisions attached hereto, and the following described exhibits, all of which are incorporated into this Agreement by this reference:

Exhibit A	Definition of Services
Exhibit B	Payment Terms
Exhibit C	Insurance Requirements
Exhibit D	Mendocino County ePayables Information
Exhibit E	Required Federal Contract Provisions

Certain terms and provisions are required to be a part of this agreement since County is utilizing federal funding to pay for the services of CONSULTANT described in Exhibit A.

These terms and provisions are located in Exhibit E of this Agreement and, for the purpose of this Agreement only, shall control and supersede any provisions to the contrary located in the body of the Agreement.

The term of this Agreement shall be from the date this Agreement becomes fully executed by all parties (the "Effective Date"), and shall continue through April 30, 2031.

The compensation payable to CONSULTANT hereunder shall not exceed one hundred twenty-four thousand three hundred twenty-three dollars (\$124,323) for the term of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF

DEPARTMENT FISCAL REVIEW:

By: 
HOWARD N. DASHIELL, Director
TRANSPORTATION

Date: December 26, 2025

Budgeted: Yes No

Budget Unit: 3041

Line Item: 2193

Grant: Yes No

Grant No.: BHLS-5910(117)

COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

By: 
BERNIE NORVELL, Chair
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Date: 02/03/2026

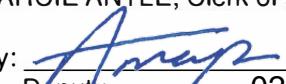
ATTEST:

DARCIE ANTLE, Clerk of said Board

By: 
Deputy 02/03/2026

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

DARCIE ANTLE, Clerk of said Board

By: 
Deputy 02/03/2026

INSURANCE REVIEW:

By: 
Risk Management

Date: 01/12/2026

Signatory Authority: \$0-25,000 Department; \$25,001- 50,000 Purchasing Agent; **\$50,001+** Board of Supervisors
Exception to Bid Process Required/Completed _____
Mendocino County Business License: Valid _____
Exempt Pursuant to MCC Section: _____

CONSULTANT/COMPANY NAME

By: 
SIGNATURE Mike Foget

Date: 1/15/26

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSULTANT:

SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc.
335 South Main Street
Willits, CA 95490

By signing above, signatory warrants and represents that he/she executed this Agreement in his/her authorized capacity and that by his/her signature on this Agreement, he/she or the entity upon behalf of which he/she acted, executed this Agreement

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: 
COUNTY COUNSEL

Date: 01/12/2026

EXECUTIVE OFFICE/FISCAL REVIEW:

By: 
Deputy CEO or Designee

Date: 01/12/2026

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT: No relationship of employer and employee is created by this Agreement; it being understood and agreed that CONSULTANT is an Independent CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT is not the agent or employee of the COUNTY in any capacity whatsoever, and COUNTY shall not be liable for any acts or omissions by CONSULTANT nor for any obligations or liabilities incurred by CONSULTANT.

CONSULTANT shall have no claim under this Agreement or otherwise, for seniority, vacation time, vacation pay, sick leave, personal time off, overtime, health insurance medical care, hospital care, retirement benefits, social security, disability, Workers' Compensation, or unemployment insurance benefits, civil service protection, or employee benefits of any kind.

CONSULTANT shall be solely liable for and obligated to pay directly all applicable payroll taxes (including federal and state income taxes) or contributions for unemployment insurance or old age pensions or annuities which are imposed by any governmental entity in connection with the labor used or which are measured by wages, salaries or other remuneration paid to its officers, agents or employees and agrees to indemnify and hold COUNTY harmless from any and all liability which COUNTY may incur because of CONSULTANT's failure to pay such amounts.

In carrying out the work contemplated herein, CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable federal and state workers' compensation and liability laws and regulations with respect to the officers, agents and/or employees conducting and participating in the work; and agrees that such officers, agents, and/or employees will be considered as Independent CONSULTANTs and shall not be treated or considered in any way as officers, agents and/or employees of COUNTY.

CONSULTANT does, by this Agreement, agree to perform his/her said work and functions at all times in strict accordance with all applicable federal, state and COUNTY laws, including but not limited to prevailing wage laws, ordinances, regulations, titles, departmental procedures and currently approved methods and practices in his/her field and that the sole interest of COUNTY is to ensure that said service shall be performed and rendered in a competent, efficient, timely and satisfactory manner and in accordance with the standards required by the COUNTY agency concerned.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the COUNTY determines that pursuant to state and federal law CONSULTANT is an employee for purposes of income tax withholding, COUNTY may upon two (2) week's written notice to CONSULTANT, withhold from payments to CONSULTANT hereunder federal and state income taxes and pay said sums to the federal and state governments.

2. **INDEMNIFICATION:** To the furthest extent permitted by law (including without limitation California Civil Code sections 2782 and 2782.8, if applicable), CONSULTANT shall assume the defense of, indemnify, and hold harmless the COUNTY, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, liabilities, and losses whatsoever alleged to be occurring or resulting in connection with the CONSULTANT's performance or its obligations under this Agreement, unless arising out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of COUNTY. "CONSULTANT's performance" includes CONSULTANT's action or inaction and the action or inaction of CONSULTANT's officers, employees, agents and subCONSULTANTs.
3. **INSURANCE AND BOND:** CONSULTANT shall at all times during the term of the Agreement with the COUNTY maintain in force those insurance policies and bonds as designated in the attached Exhibit C, and will comply with all those requirements as stated therein.
4. **WORKERS' COMPENSATION:** CONSULTANT shall provide Workers' Compensation insurance, as applicable, at CONSULTANT's own cost and expense and further, neither the CONSULTANT nor its carrier shall be entitled to recover from COUNTY any costs, settlements, or expenses of Workers' Compensation claims arising out of this Agreement.

CONSULTANT affirms that s/he is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the California Labor Code which requires every employer to be insured against liability for the Workers' Compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of the Code and CONSULTANT further assures that s/he will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of work under this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall furnish to COUNTY certificate(s) of insurance evidencing Worker's Compensation Insurance coverage to cover its employees, and CONSULTANT shall require all subCONSULTANTs similarly to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by the Labor Code of the State of California for all of subCONSULTANTs' employees.

5. **CONFORMITY WITH LAW AND SAFETY:**
 - a. In performing services under this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall observe and comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes and regulations of governmental agencies, including federal, state, municipal, and local governing bodies, having jurisdiction over the scope of services, including all applicable provisions of the California Occupational Safety and Health Act. CONSULTANT shall indemnify and hold COUNTY harmless from any and all liability, fines, penalties and consequences from any of CONSULTANT's failures to comply with such laws, ordinances, codes and regulations.
 - b. Accidents: If a death, serious personal injury or substantial property damage occurs in connection with CONSULTANT's performance of this

Agreement, CONSULTANT shall immediately notify Mendocino County Risk Manager's Office by telephone. CONSULTANT shall promptly submit to COUNTY a written report, in such form as may be required by COUNTY of all accidents which occur in connection with this Agreement. This report must include the following information: (1) name and address of the injured or deceased person(s); (2) name and address of CONSULTANT's sub-CONSULTANT, if any; (3) name and address of CONSULTANT's liability insurance carrier; and (4) a detailed description of the accident and whether any of COUNTY's equipment, tools, material, or staff were involved.

- c. CONSULTANT further agrees to take all reasonable steps to preserve all physical evidence and information which may be relevant to the circumstances surrounding a potential claim, while maintaining public safety, and to grant to the COUNTY the opportunity to review and inspect such evidence, including the scene of the accident.
- 6. **PAYMENT:** For services performed in accordance with this Agreement, payment shall be made to CONSULTANT as provided in Exhibit B hereto as funding permits.

If COUNTY over pays CONSULTANT for any reason, CONSULTANT agrees to return the amount of such overpayment to COUNTY, or at COUNTY's option, permit COUNTY to offset the amount of such overpayment against future payments owed to CONSULTANT under this Agreement or any other Agreement.

In the event CONSULTANT claims or receives payment from COUNTY for a service, reimbursement for which is later disallowed by COUNTY, State of California or the United States Government, the CONSULTANT shall promptly refund the disallowance amount to COUNTY upon request, or at its option COUNTY may offset the amount disallowed from any payment due or that becomes due to CONSULTANT under this Agreement or any other Agreement.

All invoices, receipts, or other requests for payment under this contract must be submitted by CONSULTANT to COUNTY in a timely manner and consistent with the terms specified in Exhibit B. In no event shall COUNTY be obligated to pay any request for payment for which a written request for payment and all required documentation was first received more than six (6) months after this Agreement has terminated, or beyond such other time limit as may be set forth in Exhibit B.

- 7. **TAXES:** Payment of all applicable federal, state, and local taxes shall be the sole responsibility of the CONSULTANT.
- 8. **OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS:** CONSULTANT hereby assigns the COUNTY and its assignees all copyright and other use rights in any and all proposals, plans, specification, designs, drawings, sketches, renderings, models, reports

and related documents (including computerized or electronic copies) respecting in any way the subject matter of this Agreement, whether prepared by the COUNTY, the CONSULTANT, the CONSULTANT's subCONSULTANTS or third parties at the request of the CONSULTANT (collectively, "Documents and Materials"). This explicitly includes the electronic copies of all above stated documentation.

CONSULTANT shall be permitted to retain copies, including reproducible copies and computerized copies, of said Documents and Materials. CONSULTANT agrees to take such further steps as may be reasonably requested by COUNTY to implement the aforesaid assignment. If for any reason said assignment is not effective, CONSULTANT hereby grants the COUNTY and any assignee of the COUNTY an express royalty – free license to retain and use said Documents and Materials. The COUNTY's rights under this paragraph shall apply regardless of the degree of completion of the Documents and Materials and whether or not CONSULTANT's services as set forth in Exhibit A of this Agreement have been fully performed or paid for.

The COUNTY's rights under this Paragraph 8 shall not extend to any computer software used to create such Documents and Materials.

9. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: The CONSULTANT covenants that it presently has no interest, and shall not have any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required under this Agreement.
10. NOTICES: All notices, requests, demands, or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing. Notices shall be given for all purposes as follows:

Personal delivery: When personally delivered to the recipient, notices are effective on delivery.

First Class Mail: When mailed first class to the last address of the recipient known to the party giving notice, notice is effective three (3) mail delivery days after deposit in a United States Postal Service office or mailbox. Certified Mail: When mailed certified mail, return receipt requested, notice is effective on receipt, if delivery is confirmed by a return receipt.

Overnight Delivery: When delivered by overnight delivery (Federal Express/Airborne/United Parcel Service/DHL WorldWide Express) with charges prepaid or charged to the sender's account, notice is effective on delivery, if delivery is confirmed by the delivery service.

Facsimile transmission: When sent by facsimile to the facsimile number of the recipient known to the party giving notice, notice is effective on receipt, provided that, (a) a duplicate copy of the notice is promptly given by first-class or certified mail or by overnight delivery, or (b) the receiving party delivers a written confirmation of receipt. Any notice given facsimile shall be deemed received on

the next business day if it is received after 5:00 p.m. (recipient's time) or on a non-business day.

Addresses for purpose of giving notice are as follows:

To COUNTY: COUNTY OF MENDOCINO
Department of Transportation
340 Lake Mendocino Drive
Ukiah, CA 95482
Attn: Josie Slovut

To CONSULTANT: SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc.
335 South Main Street
Willits, CA 95490
Attn: Gretchen O'Brien

Any correctly addressed notice that is refused, unclaimed, or undeliverable because of an act or omission of the party to be notified shall be deemed effective as of the first date that said notice was refused, unclaimed, or deemed undeliverable by the postal authorities, messenger, or overnight delivery service.

Any party may change its address or facsimile number by giving the other party notice of the change in any manner permitted by this Agreement.

11. **USE OF COUNTY PROPERTY:** CONSULTANT shall not use COUNTY property (including equipment, instruments and supplies) or personnel for any purpose other than in the performance of his/her obligations under this Agreement.
12. **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PRACTICES PROVISIONS:** CONSULTANT certifies that it will comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules and regulations pertaining to nondiscrimination in employment.
 - a. CONSULTANT shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for applicants for employment placed as a result of this Agreement, state that it is an "Equal Opportunity Employer" or that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to their race, creed, color, pregnancy, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, ancestry, national origin, age, religion, Veteran's status, political affiliation, or any other factor prohibited by law.
 - b. CONSULTANT shall, if requested to do so by the COUNTY, certify that it has not, in the performance of this Agreement, engaged in any unlawful discrimination.
 - c. If requested to do so by the COUNTY, CONSULTANT shall provide the COUNTY with access to copies of all of its records pertaining or relating to

its employment practices, except to the extent such records or portions of such records are confidential or privileged under State or Federal law.

- d. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed in any manner so as to require or permit any act which is prohibited by law.
- e. The CONSULTANT shall include the provisions set forth in this paragraph in each of its subcontracts.

13. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE: CONSULTANT and CONSULTANT's employees shall comply with the COUNTY's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace. Neither CONSULTANT nor CONSULTANT's employees shall unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess or use controlled substances, as defined in 21 U.S. Code § 812, including, but not limited to, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and amphetamines, at any COUNTY facility or work site. If CONSULTANT or any employee of CONSULTANT is convicted or pleads *nolo contendere* to a criminal drug statute violation occurring at a COUNTY facility or work site, the CONSULTANT, within five days thereafter, shall notify the head of the COUNTY department/agency for which the contract services are performed. Violation of this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement.

14. ENERGY CONSERVATION: CONSULTANT agrees to comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency in the State of California Energy Conservation Plan, (Title 24, California Administrative Code).

15. COMPLIANCE WITH LICENSING REQUIREMENTS: CONSULTANT shall comply with all necessary licensing requirements and shall obtain appropriate licenses. To the extent required by law, CONSULTANT shall display licenses in a location that is reasonably conspicuous. Upon COUNTY's request, CONSULTANT shall file copies of same with the County Executive Office.

CONSULTANT represents and warrants to COUNTY that CONSULTANT and its employees, agents, and any subCONSULTANTS have all licenses, permits, qualifications, and approvals of whatsoever nature that are legally required to practice their respective professions.

16. AUDITS; ACCESS TO RECORDS: The CONSULTANT shall make available to the COUNTY, its authorized agents, officers, or employees, for examination any and all ledgers, books of accounts, invoices, vouchers, cancelled checks, and other records or documents evidencing or relating to the expenditures and disbursements charged to the COUNTY, and shall furnish to the COUNTY, within sixty (60) days after examination, its authorized agents, officers or employees such other evidence or information as the COUNTY may require with regard to any such expenditure or disbursement charged by the CONSULTANT.

The CONSULTANT shall maintain full and adequate records in accordance with COUNTY requirements to show the actual costs incurred by the CONSULTANT in

the performance of this Agreement. If such books and records are not kept and maintained by CONSULTANT within the County of Mendocino, California, CONSULTANT shall, upon request of the COUNTY, make such books and records available to the COUNTY for inspection at a location within County or CONSULTANT shall pay to the COUNTY the reasonable, and necessary costs incurred by the COUNTY in inspecting CONSULTANT's books and records, including, but not limited to, travel, lodging and subsistence costs. CONSULTANT shall provide such assistance as may be reasonably required in the course of such inspection. The COUNTY further reserves the right to examine and reexamine said books, records and data during the four (4) year period following termination of this Agreement or completion of all work hereunder, as evidenced in writing by the COUNTY, and the CONSULTANT shall in no event dispose of, destroy, alter, or mutilate said books, records, accounts, and data in any manner whatsoever for four (4) years after the COUNTY makes the final or last payment or within four (4) years after any pending issues between the COUNTY and CONSULTANT with respect to this Agreement are closed, whichever is later.

17. DOCUMENTS AND MATERIALS: CONSULTANT shall maintain and make available to COUNTY for its inspection and use during the term of this Agreement, all Documents and Materials, as defined in Paragraph 8 of this Agreement. CONSULTANT's obligations under the preceding sentence shall continue for four (4) years following termination or expiration of this Agreement or the completion of all work hereunder (as evidenced in writing by COUNTY), and CONSULTANT shall in no event dispose of, destroy, alter or mutilate said Documents and Materials, for four (4) years following the COUNTY's last payment to CONSULTANT under this Agreement.
18. TIME OF ESSENCE: Time is of the essence in respect to all provisions of this Agreement that specify a time for performance; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not be construed to limit or deprive a party of the benefits of any grace or use period allowed in this Agreement.
19. TERMINATION: The COUNTY has and reserves the right to suspend, terminate or abandon the execution of any work by the CONSULTANT without cause at any time upon giving to the CONSULTANT notice. Such notice shall be in writing and may be issued by any COUNTY officer authorized to execute or amend the contract, the County Chief Executive Officer, or any other person designated by the County Board of Supervisors. In the event that the COUNTY should abandon, terminate or suspend the CONSULTANT's work, the CONSULTANT shall be entitled to payment for services provided hereunder prior to the effective date of said suspension, termination or abandonment. Said payment shall be computed in accordance with Exhibit B hereto, provided that the maximum amount payable to CONSULTANT for its Environmental Services shall not exceed \$124,323 payment for services provided hereunder prior to the effective date of said suspension, termination or abandonment or lack of funding.

20. **NON-APPROPRIATION:** If COUNTY should not appropriate or otherwise make available funds sufficient to purchase, lease, operate or maintain the products set forth in this Agreement, or other means of performing the same functions of such products, COUNTY may unilaterally terminate this Agreement only upon thirty (30) days written notice to CONSULTANT. Upon termination, COUNTY shall remit payment for all products and services delivered to COUNTY and all expenses incurred by CONSULTANT prior to CONSULTANT's receipt of the termination notice.
21. **CHOICE OF LAW:** This Agreement, and any dispute arising from the relationship between the parties to this Agreement, shall be governed by the laws of the State of California, excluding any laws that direct the application of another jurisdiction's laws.
22. **VENUE:** All lawsuits relating to this contract must be filed in Mendocino County Superior Court, Mendocino County, California.
23. **WAIVER:** No waiver of a breach, failure of any condition, or any right or remedy contained in or granted by the provisions of this Agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party waiving the breach, failure, right or remedy. No waiver of any breach, failure, right or remedy shall be deemed a waiver of any other breach, failure, right or remedy, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless the writing so specifies.
24. **ADVERTISING OR PUBLICITY:** CONSULTANT shall not use the name of COUNTY, its officers, directors, employees or agents, in advertising or publicity releases or otherwise without securing the prior written consent of COUNTY in each instance.
25. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Agreement, including all attachments, exhibits, and any other documents specifically incorporated into this Agreement, shall constitute the entire Agreement between COUNTY and CONSULTANT relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. As used herein, Agreement refers to and includes any documents incorporated herein by reference and any exhibits or attachments. This Agreement supersedes and merges all previous understandings, and all other agreements, written or oral, between the parties and sets forth the entire understanding of the parties regarding the subject matter thereof. This Agreement may not be modified except by a written document signed by both parties. In the event of a conflict between the body of this Agreement and any of the Exhibits, the provisions in the body of this Agreement shall control.
26. **HEADINGS:** Herein are for convenience of reference only and shall in no way affect interpretation of this Agreement.
27. **MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT:** This Agreement may be supplemented, amended or modified only by the mutual Agreement of the parties. No

supplement, amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be binding unless it is in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

28. **ASSURANCE OF PERFORMANCE:** If at any time the COUNTY has good objective cause to believe CONSULTANT may not be adequately performing its obligations under this Agreement or that CONSULTANT may fail to complete the Services as required by this Agreement, COUNTY may request from CONSULTANT prompt written assurances of performance and a written plan acceptable to COUNTY, to correct the observed deficiencies in CONSULTANT's performance. CONSULTANT shall provide such written assurances and written plan within thirty (30) calendar days of its receipt of COUNTY's request and shall thereafter diligently commence and fully perform such written plan. CONSULTANT acknowledges and agrees that any failure to provide such written assurances and written plan within the required time is a material breach under this Agreement.
29. **SUBCONTRACTING/ASSIGNMENT:** CONSULTANT shall not subcontract, assign or delegate any portion of this Agreement or any duties or obligations hereunder without the COUNTY's prior written approval.
 - a. Neither party shall, on the basis of this Agreement, contract on behalf of or in the name of the other party. Any Agreement that violates this Section shall confer no rights on any party and shall be null and void.
 - b. Only the department head or his or her designee shall have the authority to approve subCONSULTANT(s).
 - c. CONSULTANT shall remain fully responsible for compliance by its subCONSULTANTs with all the terms of this Agreement, regardless of the terms of any Agreement between CONSULTANT and its subCONSULTANTs.
30. **SURVIVAL:** The obligations of this Agreement, which by their nature would continue beyond the termination or expiration of the Agreement, including without limitation, the obligations regarding Indemnification (Paragraph 2), Ownership of Documents (Paragraph 8), and Conflict of Interest (Paragraph 9), shall survive termination or expiration for two (2) years.
31. **SEVERABILITY:** If a court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision of this Agreement to be illegal, unenforceable, or invalid in whole or in part for any reason, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or portions of them, will not be affected, unless an essential purpose of this Agreement would be defeated by the loss of the illegal, unenforceable, or invalid provision.
32. **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WARRANTY:** CONSULTANT warrants and represents that it has secured all rights and licenses necessary for any and all materials, services, processes, software, or hardware ("CONSULTANT

PRODUCTS") to be provided by CONSULTANT in the performance of this Agreement, including but not limited to any copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret, or right of publicity rights. CONSULTANT hereby grants to COUNTY, or represents that it has secured from third parties, an irrevocable license (or sublicense) to reproduce, distribute, perform, display, prepare derivative works, make, use, sell, import, use in commerce, or otherwise utilize CONSULTANT PRODUCTS to the extent reasonably necessary to use the CONSULTANT PRODUCTS in the manner contemplated by this Agreement.

CONSULTANT further warrants and represents that it knows of no allegations, claims, or threatened claims that the CONSULTANT PRODUCTS provided to COUNTY under this Agreement infringe any patent, copyright, trademark or other proprietary right. In the event that any third party asserts a claim of infringement against the COUNTY relating to a CONSULTANT PRODUCT, CONSULTANT shall indemnify and defend the COUNTY pursuant to Paragraph 2 of this Agreement.

In the case of any such claim of infringement, CONSULTANT shall either, at its option, (1) procure for COUNTY the right to continue using the CONSULTANT Products; or (2) replace or modify the CONSULTANT Products so that they become non-infringing, but equivalent in functionality and performance.

33. ELECTRONIC COPIES: The parties agree that an electronic copy, including facsimile copy, email, or scanned copy of the executed Agreement, shall be deemed, and shall have the same legal force and effect as, an original document.
34. COOPERATION WITH COUNTY: CONSULTANT shall cooperate with COUNTY and COUNTY staff in the performance of all work hereunder.
35. PERFORMANCE STANDARD: CONSULTANT shall perform all work hereunder in a manner consistent with the level of competency and standard of care normally observed by a person practicing in CONSULTANT's profession. COUNTY has relied upon the professional ability and training of CONSULTANT as a material inducement to enter into this Agreement. CONSULTANT hereby agrees to provide all services under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted professional practices and standards of care, as well as the requirements of applicable Federal, State, and local laws, it being understood that acceptance of CONSULTANT's work by COUNTY shall not operate as a waiver or release. If COUNTY determines that any of CONSULTANT's work is not in accordance with such level of competency and standard of care, COUNTY, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to do any or all of the following: (a) require CONSULTANT to meet with COUNTY to review the quality of the work and resolve matters of concern; (b) require CONSULTANT to repeat the work at no additional charge until it is satisfactory; (c) terminate this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 19 (Termination) or (d) pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity.

36. ATTORNEYS' FEES: In any action to enforce or interpret the terms of this Agreement, including but not limited to any action for declaratory relief, each party shall be solely responsible for and bear its own attorneys' fees, regardless of which party prevails.

[END OF GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS]

EXHIBIT A

DEFINITION OF SERVICES

CONSULTANT shall provide the following services:

A. GENERAL

In general, this scope consists of CONSULTANT providing COUNTY professional environmental services for the monitoring and reporting of vegetation mitigation associated with the Ackerman Creek Bridge Replacement Project on North State Street, Ukiah (County Road 104, Mile Post 0.94). The scope of services includes, but is not limited to, vegetation monitoring, environmental compliance reporting, and coordination with contractors for physical work as required by the Water Quality Certification (401 Permit) including the Riparian Wetland Mitigation and Monitoring Plan which is incorporated by reference into this contract.

It is understood that all monitoring and reporting services shall be conducted in compliance with applicable environmental regulations and permit requirements. CONSULTANT shall notify the COUNTY of any need for physical work and assist in the development of plans, specifications, and estimate (PS&E) documents, bid packages, and technical specifications for COUNTY-administered construction contracts, in accordance with LAPM and Public Contract Code requirements.

CONSULTANT responsibilities include:

- Vegetation monitoring, reporting, and developing treatment recommendations.
- Preparing PS&E packages and technical documentation for implementation by a contractor under a separate COUNTY construction contract.
- Overseeing contractor performance to meet project goals.

All physical work – including but not limited to planting, irrigation system installation, and invasive species removal – shall be performed under a separate COUNTY construction contract, in compliance with Public Contract Code. The CONSULTANT's role shall be limited to site monitoring, reporting, and supporting the County in the preparation of PS&E documentation for such work.

The work shall comply with the requirements of all the following without limitation, and shall apply to this contract as though incorporated herein by reference:

1. Federal laws
2. State laws
3. Local laws
4. Rules and regulations of governing utility districts
5. Rules and regulations of other authorities with jurisdiction over the procurement of products

All work shall be performed in accordance with the *Local Assistance Procedures Manual* (LAPM), the *Standard Environmental Reference* (SER), and all current environmental standards applicable to the project.

B. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CONSULTANT

This scope of work outlines CONSULTANT's responsibilities for vegetation mitigation monitoring and maintenance services. CONSULTANT shall provide the following services including, but not limited to, the following Scope of Services listed herein:

TASK 1: PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION

Task 1.1 - Project Initiation

CONSULTANT will conduct a kick-off meeting at the Mendocino County Department of Transportation office and perform a site visit. Attendees will include the COUNTY Project Manager, CONSULTANT representatives, and, if applicable, Caltrans staff.

Task 1.2 – Coordination

- Primary Points of Contact: COUNTY Project Manager and CONSULTANT's Project Manager.
- Work Plan Development: CONSULTANT will develop a detailed work plan addressing roles, communication protocols, deliverables, and project controls.
- Invoicing and Reporting: CONSULTANT will provide periodic invoices, and monthly progress reports consistent with COUNTY and Caltrans requirements.

Deliverables:

- Meeting agendas and minutes
- Monthly progress reports
- Updated project schedules
- Issue/Action Item/Decision log

TASK 2: INITIAL ONSITE EVALUATION AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

CONSULTANT shall:

- Conduct an onsite evaluation to assess slope stability, map erosion sites, and analyze vegetation.
- Provide a report categorizing plant species (native, invasive, or naturalized) and offering treatment recommendations.
- Prepare a treatment plan for revegetation, erosion control, or invasive species removal, specifying tasks requiring a contractor.
- Prepare technical documentation and PS&E documents for implementation of tasks in the treatment plan that require a contractor.

Deliverables:

- Initial Site Evaluation Report
- Proposed Treatment Plan (for contractor execution)
- Technical Documentation and PS&E Packages (for contractor execution)

TASK 3: POST-CONSTRUCTION VEGETATION MONITORING AND MAINTENANCE

Task 3.1 - Winter Season Monitoring and Reporting

CONSULTANT will:

- Inspect the site monthly (November through April) and after significant storm events.
- Document vegetation conditions, survival rates, and invasive species encroachment.
- Submit monitoring reports to COUNTY.

For any physical work recommended (e.g., site repairs, invasive species removal), CONSULTANT will prepare a contractor treatment plan as well as technical documentation and PS&E packages for COUNTY approval, for potential use in a separate COUNTY construction contract.

Deliverables:

- Six (6) Monthly Monitoring Reports
- Contractor Treatment Plans (as needed)
- Technical Documentation and PS&E Packages (as needed)
- Implementation Reports (as needed)

Task 3.2 - Summer Season Monitoring and Maintenance

Similar to winter monitoring, CONSULTANT will:

- Conduct monthly site visits (May through October) to evaluate native growth and invasive species control.
- Submit reports and recommend physical tasks to be performed by a contractor.

Deliverables:

- Six (6) Monthly Monitoring Reports
- Contractor Treatment Plans (as needed)
- Technical Documentation and PS&E Packages (as needed)
- Implementation Reports (as needed)

Task 3.3 - Irrigation Plan

CONSULTANT will:

- Develop an irrigation plan detailing methods, water sources, and weaning processes.
- Prepare technical documentation and PS&E documents for implementation of the irrigation plan.
- Submit the plan, technical documentation, and PS&E documents for COUNTY approval, for potential use in a separate construction contract.

Deliverables:

- Irrigation Plan
- Technical documentation and PS&E documents for Irrigation Plan implementation
- Implementation Reports (as needed)

Task 3.4 - Annual Reporting

CONSULTANT shall prepare an annual report summarizing:

- Vegetation survival, success, and failure rates.
- Monitoring results and photographic documentation.
- Any recommendations for future actions.

Deliverables:

- Annual Reports

C. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY COUNTY

MCDOT will provide a responsible inspector to oversee the project and ensure compliance with requirements. Staff will review and approve all reports and plans submitted by the CONSULTANT to maintain project progress and quality. Additionally, MCDOT will ensure timely responses to CONSULTANT inquiries to facilitate smooth and efficient project execution.

D. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OF PERSONNEL

It is understood that the services covered under this contract are environmental professional services. It is also understood that all work performed under this contract will be performed by CONSULTANT, whether it be by CONSULTANT or a subconsultant under contract to CONSULTANT.

E. EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

CONSULTANT shall have and provide adequate office equipment and supplies to complete the work required by this Contract. CONSULTANT shall have and provide adequate field tools, instruments, materials, supplies, and safety equipment to complete the required field work.

F. QUALITY CONTROL/ASSURANCE MEASURES

Implementing and maintaining quality control procedures to manage conflicts, ensure product accuracy, and identify critical reviews and milestones. Also, provide knowledge, experience, and familiarity Quality Control and Quality Assurance (QC/QA) for California Test Methods and laboratory.

[END OF DEFINITION OF SERVICES]

EXHIBIT B

PAYMENT TERMS

1. COUNTY shall pay CONSULTANT for all work required in the satisfactory completion of this Agreement in accordance with the attached Consultant Cost Proposal. Direct Labor Costs, Indirect Cost Rates and Fixed Fee may only be altered by approval from COUNTY and through a contract amendment.
2. CONSULTANT's statement of charges shall be submitted to COUNTY monthly.
3. The method of payment for this agreement is Actual Cost Plus Fixed-Fee.
4. Partial payments shall be made to CONSULTANT by COUNTY on a monthly basis in accordance with applicable charges for time-and-expense work that may be authorized by COUNTY. In no event shall the amount paid to CONSULTANT exceed the contract amount without prior written approval of COUNTY.
5. Payments for work completed by CONSULTANT will be made by COUNTY within 30 days of receipt of CONSULTANT's invoice.
6. CONSULTANT agrees that the cost principles and procedures of Title 48, Part 31, Code of Federal Regulations, shall be used to determine the allowability of individual items of cost.
7. CONSULTANT agrees to adhere to the following Invoicing Procedure:
 - CONSULTANT will prepare periodic invoices providing a summary of CONSULTANT's work, including covered dates of service, and copies of invoices from any subconsultants.
 - Invoices shall be consistent with the Local Assistance Procedures Manual, Chapter 10, Section 10.8 under "Invoicing (or Progress Payments)".
 - Invoices shall be similar in format to the Sample Invoice included in these Payment Terms, including subconsultant invoices.
 - CONSULTANT must have incurred all costs included on an invoice before seeking reimbursement from COUNTY. Prepayments are not allowed.
 - CONSULTANT must pay subconsultants within 30 days of receipt of payment for each invoice.
 - The complete chain of charges through subconsultant levels must follow through to the invoice to COUNTY.
 - Restaurant charges etc. shall be itemized. Invoices with just a total will be rejected.
 - COUNTY uses the Caltrans Consultant/Contractor Travel Policy for reimbursements for travel expenses.
 - If an expense report is used, values on the report must match the receipts. Items on a receipt not listed for reimbursement must be crossed out and initialed by CONSULTANT seeking the reimbursement and the new total noted.
 - Any re-submitted invoice shall be given a new invoice date. The same invoice number and date shall appear on each page of the invoice.

- All charges accumulated within COUNTY's fiscal year, July 1 through June 30, not previously invoiced, shall be invoiced, and received by COUNTY, by the second Friday of July.
- Cover letters, project updates etc. may be included with the invoice but not stapled to it.

SHN Cost Proposal - Mitigation Monitoring and Maintenance on Ackerman Creek Bridge Replacement Project

Task No.	Project Number: Mendocino County		Project Name: Ackerman Creek Bridge Vegetation Monitoring								Consultant Total Hours	Consultant Labor Subtotal	Sub-Consultant/Contractor #1	SubCon Subtotal
	TASKS		Senior Biologist	QSD/QSP	Biologist	Staff	Staff	GIS	PE	Staff				
	Name	Warren Mitchell	Warren Mitchell (QSP)	Paul Stiles	Gretchen O'Brien	Christina Tipp	Justin Sousa	Jason Island	Anne Gary					
No.	Initial Hourly Rate	\$44.81	\$44.81	\$28.50	\$48.60	\$59.43	\$35.80	\$80.69	\$28.33					
	Key Personnel	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No					
	Prevailing Wage	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No					
81.77%	Fringe	\$ 36.64	\$ 36.64	\$ 23.30	\$ 39.74	\$ 48.60	\$ 29.27	\$ 65.98	\$ 23.17					
78.54%	Overhead	\$ 35.19	\$ 35.19	\$ 22.38	\$ 38.17	\$ 46.68	\$ 28.12	\$ 63.37	\$ 22.25					
37.29%	G&A	\$ 16.71	\$ 16.71	\$ 10.63	\$ 18.12	\$ 22.16	\$ 13.35	\$ 30.09	\$ 10.56					
10.00%	Profit	\$ 13.34	\$ 13.34	\$ 8.48	\$ 14.46	\$ 17.69	\$ 10.65	\$ 24.01	\$ 8.43					
	Billing Rate	\$ 146.69	\$ 146.69	\$ 93.30	\$ 159.10	\$ 194.55	\$ 117.19	\$ 264.15	\$ 92.74					
TASK 1: PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION														
Task 1.1: Project Initiation			4			8	2			1	15	\$ 2,341.38		\$ -
Task 1.2: Coordination			4			34					38	\$ 5,996.06		\$ -
	Task Total	8	0	0	42	2				1	53	\$ 8,337.43		\$ -
TASK 2: INITIAL ONSITE EVALUATION AND EXISTING CONDITIONS														
Task 2.0 Site Evaluation			30		4		3	3	10	3	53	\$ 8,628.82		\$ -
	Task Total	30	0	4	0	3	3	10	3	3	53	\$ 8,628.82		\$ -
TASK 3: POST-CONSTRUCTION VEGETATION MONITORING AND MAINTENANCE														
Task 3.1 - Winter Season Monitoring and Reporting			150							6	156	\$ 22,559.95		\$ -
Task 3.2 - Summer Season Monitoring and Maintenance			450							6	456	\$ 66,566.95		\$ -

Task 3.3 - Irrigation Plan	4								1	5	\$ 679.50		\$ -
Task 3.4 - Annual Reporting	25		1			3			2	31	\$ 4,297.61		\$ -
Task Total	629	0	1	0	0	3	0	15	648	\$ 94,104.02		\$ -	
TASK 4: SUBCONTRACTED WORK													
Task 4.1 – Replanting													\$ -
Task 4.2 – Invasive Species Removal													\$ -
Task 4.3 – Erosion Control and Maintenance													\$ -
													\$ -
													\$ -
													\$ -
Subtotal	667	0	5	42	5	6	10	19	754	\$ 111,070.27	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Cost		\$ 97,842.24	\$ -	\$ 466.49	\$ 6,682.07	\$ 972.75	\$ 703.17	\$ 2,641.47	\$ 1,762.08	\$ 111,070.27			

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ACTUAL COST-PLUS-FIXED FEE OR LUMP SUM (FIRM FIXED PRICE) CONTRACTS
(DESIGN, ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES)

Note: Mark-ups are Not Allowed

X Prime Consultant

Subconsultant

2nd Tier Subconsultant

Consultant

SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc.

Project No.

A1101VEG/BHLS-5910(117)

Contract No. 250046

Date 16-Oct-25

DIRECT LABOR

Classification/Title	Name	hours	Actual Hourly Rate	Total
Senior Biologist	Warren Mitchell	667	\$44.81	\$29,888.27
QSD/QSP	Warren Mitchell (QSP)	0	\$44.81	\$0.00
Biologist	Paul Stiles	5	\$28.50	\$142.50
Staff	Gretchen O'Brien	42	\$48.60	\$2,041.20
Staff	Christina Tipp	5	\$59.43	\$297.15
GIS	Justin Sousa	6	\$35.80	\$214.80
PE	Jason Island	10	\$80.69	\$806.90
Staff	Anne Gary	19	\$28.33	\$538.27

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LABOR COSTS

a) Subtotal Direct Labor Costs	\$33,929.09
b) Anticipated Salary Increases	\$2,459.63
c) TOTAL DIRECT LABOR COSTS [(a) + (b)]	\$36,388.72

INDIRECT COSTS

d) Fringe Benefits	(Rate: 81.77%)	e) Total Fringe Benefits [(c) x (d)]	\$29,755.05
f) Overhead	(Rate: 78.54%)	g) Overhead [(c) x (f)]	\$28,579.70
h) General and Administrative	(Rate: 37.29%)	i) Gen & Admin [(c) x (h)]	\$13,569.35
	197.60%	j) TOTAL INDIRECT COSTS [(e) + (g) + (i)]	\$71,904.11
FIXED FEE	10.00%	k) TOTAL FIXED FEE [(c) + (j)] x (q)]	\$10,829.28

l) CONSULTANT'S OTHER DIRECT COSTS (ODC) – ITEMIZE (Add additional pages if necessary)

Description of Item	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Total
Mileage Costs	6000	Miles	\$ 0.700	\$ 4,200.00
ODC 1	1	LS	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
ODC 2	0	LS	\$ 1.00	\$ -
ODC 3	0	LS	\$ 1.00	\$ -
ODC4	0	LS	\$ 1.00	\$ -
				0 \$ 5,200.00

m) SUBCONSULTANTS' COSTS (Add additional pages if necessary)

Sub 1	
Sub 2	
Sub 2	
Sub 4	
Sub 5	
Sub 6	

m) **TOTAL SUBCONSULTANTS' COSTS** \$0.00n) **TOTAL OTHER DIRECT COSTS INCLUDING SUBCONSULTANTS [(l)+(m)]** \$5,200.00**TOTAL COST [(c) + (j) + (k) + (n)]** \$124,322.11**NOTES:**

- Key personnel must be marked with an asterisk (*) and employees that are subject to prevailing wage requirements must be marked with two asterisks (**). All costs must comply with the Federal cost principles. Subconsultants will provide their own cost proposals.
- The cost proposal format shall not be amended. Indirect cost rates shall be updated on an annual basis in accordance with the consultant's annual accounting period and established by a cognizant agency or accepted by Caltrans.
- Anticipated salary increases calculation (page 2) must accompany.

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ACTUAL COST-PLUS-FIXED FEE OR LUMP SUM (FIRM FIXED PRICE) CONTRACTS
(CALCULATIONS FOR ANTICIPATED SALARY INCREASES)

1. Calculate Average Hourly Rate for 1st year of the contract (Direct Labor Subtotal divided by total hours)

Direct Labor Subtotal per Cost Proposal	Total Hours per Cost Proposal	Avg Hourly Rate	5 Year Contract Duration
\$33,929.09	754	= \$45.00	Year 1 Avg Hourly Rate

2. Calculate hourly rate for all years (Increase the Average Hourly Rate for a year by proposed escalation %)

	Avg Hourly Rate	Proposed Escalation			
Year 1	\$45.00	+	3.5%	=	\$46.57 Year 2 Avg Hourly Rate
Year 2	\$46.57	+	3.5%	=	\$48.20 Year 3 Avg Hourly Rate
Year 3	\$48.20	+	3.5%	=	\$49.89 Year 4 Avg Hourly Rate
Year 4	\$49.89	+	3.5%	=	\$51.64 Year 5 Avg Hourly Rate
Year 5	\$51.64	+	3.5%	=	\$53.44 Year 6 Avg Hourly Rate
Year 6	\$53.44	+	3.5%	=	\$55.32 Year 7 Avg Hourly Rate

3. Calculate estimated hours per year (Multiply estimate % each year by total hours)

	Estimated % Completed Each Year	Total Hours per Cost Proposal	Total Hours per Year	
Year 1	20.00%	754.0	= 150.8	Estimated Hours Year 1
Year 2	20.00%	754.0	= 150.8	Estimated Hours Year 2
Year 3	20.00%	754.0	= 150.8	Estimated Hours Year 3
Year 4	20.00%	754.0	= 150.8	Estimated Hours Year 4
Year 5	20.00%	754.0	= 150.8	Estimated Hours Year 5
Year 6	0.00%	754.0	= 0.0	Estimated Hours Year 6
Total	100%	Total	= 754.0	

4. Calculate Total Costs including Escalation (Multiply Average Hourly Rate by the number of hours)

	Avg Hourly Rate (calculated above)	Estimated hours (calculated above)	Cost per Year	
Year 1	\$45.00	* 150.8	= \$6,785.82	Estimated Hours Year 1
Year 2	\$46.57	* 150.8	= \$7,023.32	Estimated Hours Year 2
Year 3	\$48.20	* 150.8	= \$7,269.14	Estimated Hours Year 3
Year 4	\$49.89	* 150.8	= \$7,523.56	Estimated Hours Year 4
Year 5	\$51.64	* 150.8	= \$7,786.88	Estimated Hours Year 5
Year 6	\$53.44	* 0.0	= \$0.00	Estimated Hours Year 6
	Total Direct Labor Cost with Escalation		= \$36,388.72	
	Direct Labor Subtotal before Escalation		= \$33,929.09	
	Estimated total of Direct Labor Salary Increase		= \$2,459.63	Transfer to Page 1

NOTES:

1. This is not the only way to estimate salary increases. Other methods will be accepted if they clearly indicate the % increase, the # of years of the contract, and a breakdown of the labor to be performed each year.
2. An estimation that is based on direct labor multiplied by salary increase % multiplied by the # of years is not acceptable.
(i.e. $\$250,000 \times 2\% \times 5 \text{ yrs} = \$25,000$ is not an acceptable methodology)
3. This assumes that one year will be worked at the rate on the cost proposal before salary increases are granted.
4. Calculations for anticipated salary escalation must be provided.

Exhibit 10-H1 Cost Proposal Page 3 of 3

Certification of Direct Costs:

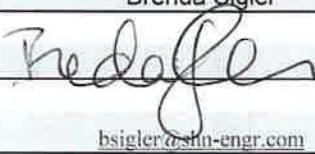
I, the undersigned, certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that all direct costs identified on the cost proposal(s) in this contract are actual, reasonable, allowable, and allocable to the contract in accordance with the contract terms and the following requirements:

- 1 Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)
- 2 Terms and conditions of the contract
- 3 Title 23 United States Code Section 112 - Letting of Contracts
- 4 48 Code of Federal Regulations Part 31 - Contract Cost Principles and Procedures
- 5
- 23 Code of Federal Regulations Part 172 - Procurement, Management, and Administration of Engineering and Design Related Service
- 6 48 Code of Federal Regulations Part 9904 - Cost Accounting Standards Board (when applicable)

All costs must be applied consistently and fairly to all contracts. All documentation of compliance must be retained in the project files and be in compliance with applicable federal and state requirements. Costs that are noncompliant with the federal and state requirements are not eligible for reimbursement.

Local governments are responsible for applying only cognizant agency approved or Caltrans accepted Indirect Cost Rate(s).

Prime Consultant or Subconsultant Certifying:

Name:	Brenda Sigler	Title *:	CFO
Signature :		Date of Certification (mm/dd/yyyy):	16-Oct-25
Email:	bsigler@ashn-engr.com	Phone Number:	707-441-8855
Address:	812 W. Wabash Ave. Eureka, CA 95501		

*An individual executive or financial officer of the consultant's or subconsultant's organization at a level no lower than a Vice President or a Chief Financial Officer, or equivalent, who has authority to represent the financial information utilized to establish the cost proposal for the contract.

List services the consultant is providing under the proposed contract:

Revegetation mitigation monitoring and maintenance at Ackerman Creek at North State Street

EXHIBIT C

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Insurance coverage in a minimum amount set forth herein shall not be construed to relieve CONSULTANT for liability in excess of such coverage, nor shall it preclude COUNTY from taking such other action as is available to it under any other provisions of this Agreement or otherwise in law. Insurance requirements shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, CONSULTANT's indemnity obligations under Paragraph 2 of this Agreement.

CONSULTANT shall obtain and maintain insurance coverage as follows:

- a. Combined single limit bodily injury liability and property damage liability - \$1,000,000 each occurrence.
- b. Vehicle / Bodily Injury combined single limit vehicle bodily injury and property damage liability - \$500,000 each occurrence.

CONSULTANT shall furnish to COUNTY certificates of insurance evidencing the minimum levels described above.

[END OF INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS]

EXHIBIT D

MENDOCINO COUNTY EPAYABLES INFORMATION

The County of Mendocino is currently making credit card payments to all of our vendors and suppliers who qualify. To qualify, vendors need to currently accept credit card payments. To achieve this more efficient form of payment, the County has partnered with Bank of America and their ePayables credit card program. This electronic initiative will yield many benefits to its participants:

- Expedited receipt of cash – electronic credit card payments provide cash flow benefits by eliminating mail and paper check float
- Elimination of check processing costs
- Remittance data transmitted with payment for more efficient back-end reconciliation
- No collection costs associated with lost or misplaced checks
- Reduced exposure to check fraud
- More efficient handling of exception items
- Fits with existing accounting software – requires no purchase of software, no modifications to existing accounts receivable system and no change to bank accounts.
- Going green with paperless electronic credit card payments help conserve the environment by eliminating printing and mailing of paper checks.

For information regarding the payment process, please email Auditorap@mendocinocounty.gov

[END OF MENDOCINO COUNTY EPAYABLES INFORMATION]

EXHIBIT E

REQUIRED FEDERAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS

Caltrans LADM Exhibit 10-R

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ARTICLE I INTRODUCTION

A. This AGREEMENT is between the following named, hereinafter referred to as, CONSULTANT and the following named, hereinafter referred to as, COUNTY:

The name of the "CONSULTANT" is as follows: SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc.

The Project Manager for the "CONSULTANT" will be Gretchen O'Brien

The name of the "COUNTY" is as follows:
Mendocino County Department of Transportation

The Contract Administrator for COUNTY will be Josie Slovut

ARTICLE II CONSULTANT'S REPORTS OR MEETINGS

A. CONSULTANT shall submit progress reports at least once a month. The report should be sufficiently detailed for the COUNTY's Contract Administrator to determine, if CONSULTANT is performing to expectations, or is on schedule; to provide communication of interim findings, and to sufficiently address any difficulties or special problems encountered, so remedies can be developed.

B. CONSULTANT's Project Manager shall meet with COUNTY's Contract Administrator, as needed, to discuss progress on the AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE III STATEMENT OF WORK

See Exhibit A, Definition of Services, of the Agreement

ARTICLE IV PERFORMANCE PERIOD

A. This AGREEMENT shall go into effect on February 3, 2026, contingent upon approval by COUNTY, and CONSULTANT shall commence work after notification to proceed by COUNTY'S Contract Administrator. The AGREEMENT shall end on April 30, 2031, unless extended by AGREEMENT amendment.

B. CONSULTANT is advised that any recommendation for AGREEMENT award is not binding on COUNTY until the AGREEMENT is fully executed and approved by COUNTY.

ARTICLE V ALLOWABLE COSTS AND PAYMENTS

A. The method of payment for this AGREEMENT will be based on actual cost plus a fixed fee. COUNTY will reimburse CONSULTANT for actual costs (including labor costs, employee benefits, travel, equipment rental costs, overhead and other direct costs) incurred by CONSULTANT in performance of the work. CONSULTANT will not be reimbursed for actual costs that exceed the estimated wage rates, employee benefits, travel, equipment rental, overhead, and other estimated costs set forth in the approved CONSULTANT'S Cost Proposal, unless additional reimbursement is provided for by AGREEMENT amendment. In no event, will

CONSULTANT be reimbursed for overhead costs at a rate that exceeds COUNTY's approved overhead rate set forth in the Cost Proposal. In the event, that COUNTY determines that a change to the work from that specified in the Cost Proposal and AGREEMENT is required, the AGREEMENT time or actual costs reimbursable by COUNTY shall be adjusted by AGREEMENT amendment to accommodate the changed work. The maximum total cost as specified in Paragraph "I" of this Article shall not be exceeded, unless authorized by AGREEMENT amendment.

- B. The indirect cost rate established for this AGREEMENT is extended through the duration of this specific AGREEMENT. CONSULTANT's agreement to the extension of the 1-year applicable period shall not be a condition or qualification to be considered for the work or AGREEMENT award.
- C. In addition to the allowable incurred costs, COUNTY will pay CONSULTANT a fixed fee of \$10,829.28. The fixed fee is nonadjustable for the term of the AGREEMENT, except in the event of a significant change in the scope of work and such adjustment is made by AGREEMENT amendment.
- D. Reimbursement for transportation and subsistence costs shall not exceed the rates specified in the approved Cost Proposal.
- E. When milestone cost estimates are included in the approved Cost Proposal, CONSULTANT shall obtain prior written approval for a revised milestone cost estimate from the Contract Administrator before exceeding such cost estimate.
- F. Progress payments will be made monthly in arrears based on services provided and allowable incurred costs. A pro rata portion of CONSULTANT's fixed fee will be included in the monthly progress payments. If CONSULTANT fails to submit the required deliverable items according to the schedule set forth in Article III Statement of Work, COUNTY shall have the right to delay payment or terminate this AGREEMENT.
- G. No payment will be made prior to approval of any work, nor for any work performed prior to approval of this AGREEMENT.
- H. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed promptly according to California Regulations upon receipt by COUNTY's Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in duplicate. Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the performance of work for which CONSULTANT is billing. Invoices shall detail the work performed on each milestone and each project as applicable. Invoices shall follow the format stipulated for the approved Cost Proposal and shall reference this AGREEMENT number and project title. Final invoice must contain the final cost and all credits due COUNTY including any equipment purchased under the provisions of Article XI Equipment Purchase. The final invoice should be submitted within sixty (60) calendar days after completion of CONSULTANT's work. Invoices shall be mailed to COUNTY's Contract Administrator at the following address:

Mendocino County Department of Transportation

*Attn: Josie Slovut
340 Lake Mendocino Drive, Ukiah, CA 95482*

- I. The total amount payable by COUNTY including the fixed fee shall not exceed \$124,323.
- J. For personnel subject to prevailing wage rates as described in the California Labor Code, all salary increases, which are the direct result of changes in the prevailing wage rates are reimbursable.
- K. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed within thirty (30) days upon receipt by COUNTY'S Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in duplicate. Separate invoices itemizing all costs are required for all work performed under each Task Order. Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the performance of work for which CONSULTANT is billing, or upon completion of the Task Order. Invoices shall detail the work performed on each milestone, on each project as applicable. Invoices shall follow the format stipulated for the approved Cost Proposal and shall reference this AGREEMENT number, project title and Task Order number. Credits due COUNTY that include any equipment purchased under the provisions of Article XI Equipment Purchase, must be reimbursed by CONSULTANT prior to the expiration or termination of this AGREEMENT. Invoices shall be mailed to COUNTY's Contract Administrator at the following address:

*Mendocino County Department of Transportation
Attn: Josie Slovut
340 Lake Mendocino Drive, Ukiah, CA 95482*

or emailed to: DOTinvoices@mendocinocounty.gov.

ARTICLE VI TERMINATION

- A. This AGREEMENT may be terminated by COUNTY, provided that COUNTY gives not less than thirty (30) calendar days' written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of intent to terminate. Upon termination, COUNTY shall be entitled to all work, including but not limited to, reports, investigations, appraisals, inventories, studies, analyses, drawings and data estimates performed to that date, whether completed or not.
- B. COUNTY may temporarily suspend this AGREEMENT, at no additional cost to COUNTY, provided that CONSULTANT is given written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of temporary suspension. If COUNTY gives such notice of temporary suspension, CONSULTANT shall immediately suspend its activities under this AGREEMENT. A temporary suspension may be issued concurrent with the notice of termination.
- C. Notwithstanding any provisions of this AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT shall not be relieved of liability to COUNTY for damages sustained by COUNTY by virtue of any breach of this AGREEMENT by CONSULTANT, and COUNTY may withhold any payments due to CONSULTANT until such time as the exact amount of damages, if any, due COUNTY from CONSULTANT is determined.
- D. In the event of termination, CONSULTANT shall be compensated as provided for

in this AGREEMENT. Upon termination, COUNTY shall be entitled to all work, including but not limited to, reports, investigations, appraisals, inventories, studies, analyses, drawings and data estimates performed to that date, whether completed or not.

ARTICLE VII COST PRINCIPLES AND ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

- A. The CONSULTANT agrees that 48 CFR 31, Contract Cost Principles and Procedures, shall be used to determine the allowability of individual terms of cost.
- B. The CONSULTANT also agrees to comply with Federal procedures in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.
- C. Any costs for which payment has been made to the CONSULTANT that are determined by subsequent audit to be unallowable under 48 CFR 31 or 2 CFR 200 are subject to repayment by the CONSULTANT to COUNTY.
- D. When a CONSULTANT or Subconsultant is a Non-Profit Organization or an Institution of Higher Education, the Cost Principles for Title 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards shall apply.

ARTICLE VIII RETENTION OF RECORD/AUDITS

For the purpose of determining compliance with Gov. Code § 8546.7, the CONSULTANT, Subconsultants, and COUNTY shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, Independent CPA Audited Indirect Cost Rate workpapers, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of the AGREEMENT including, but not limited to, the costs of administering the AGREEMENT. All parties, including the CONSULTANT's Independent CPA, shall make such workpapers and materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during the AGREEMENT period and for three (3) years from the date of final payment under the AGREEMENT and records for real property and equipment acquired with federal funds must be retained for three (3) years after final disposition. COUNTY, Caltrans Auditor, FHWA, or any duly authorized representative of the Federal government having jurisdiction under Federal laws or regulations (including the basis of Federal funding in whole or in part) shall have access to any books, records, and documents of the CONSULTANT, Subconsultants, and the CONSULTANT's Independent CPA, that are pertinent to the AGREEMENT for audits, examinations, workpaper review, excerpts, and transactions, and copies thereof shall be furnished if requested without limitation.

ARTICLE IX AUDIT REVIEW PROCEDURES

- A. Any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under an interim or post audit of this AGREEMENT that is not disposed of by AGREEMENT, shall be reviewed by COUNTY'S Auditor.
- B. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of the final audit report, CONSULTANT may request a review by COUNTY'S Chief Financial Officer of unresolved audit issues. The request for review will be submitted in writing.

- C. Neither the pendency of a dispute nor its consideration by COUNTY will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance, in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT.
- D. CONSULTANT and subconsultant AGREEMENTs, including cost proposals and Indirect Cost Rates (ICR), may be subject to audits or reviews such as, but not limited to, an AGREEMENT audit, an incurred cost audit, an ICR Audit, or a CPA ICR audit work paper review. If selected for audit or review, the AGREEMENT, cost proposal and ICR and related work papers, if applicable, will be reviewed to verify compliance with 48 CFR 31 and other related laws and regulations. In the instances of a CPA ICR audit work paper review it is CONSULTANT's responsibility to ensure federal, COUNTY, or local government officials are allowed full access to the CPA's work papers including making copies as necessary. The AGREEMENT, cost proposal, and ICR shall be adjusted by CONSULTANT and approved by COUNTY Contract Administrator to conform to the audit or review recommendations. CONSULTANT agrees that individual terms of costs identified in the audit report shall be incorporated into the AGREEMENT by this reference if directed by COUNTY at its sole discretion. Refusal by CONSULTANT to incorporate audit or review recommendations, or to ensure that the federal, COUNTY or local governments have access to CPA work papers, will be considered a breach of AGREEMENT terms and cause for termination of the AGREEMENT and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.
- E. CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal may be subject to a CPA ICR Audit Work Paper Review and/or audit by the Independent Office of Audits and Investigations (IOAI). IOAI, at its sole discretion, may review and/or audit and approve the CPA ICR documentation. The Cost Proposal shall be adjusted by the CONSULTANT and approved by the COUNTY Contract Administrator to conform to the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report. Refusal by the CONSULTANT to incorporate the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report will be considered a breach of the AGREEMENT terms and cause for termination of the AGREEMENT and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.
 - 1. During IOAI's review of the ICR audit work papers created by the CONSULTANT's independent CPA, IOAI will work with the CPA and/or CONSULTANT toward a resolution of issues that arise during the review. Each party agrees to use its best efforts to resolve any audit disputes in a timely manner. If IOAI identifies significant issues during the review and is unable to issue a cognizant approval letter, COUNTY will reimburse the CONSULTANT at an accepted ICR until a FAR (Federal Acquisition Regulation) compliant ICR (e.g. 48 CFR Part 31; GAGAS (Generally Accepted Auditing Standards); CAS (Cost Accounting Standards), if applicable; in accordance with procedures and guidelines of the American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Audit Guide; and other applicable procedures and guidelines) is received and approved by IOAI.

Accepted rates will be as follows:

- a. If the proposed rate is less than one hundred fifty percent (150%) - the

accepted rate reimbursed will be ninety percent (90%) of the proposed rate.

- b. If the proposed rate is between one hundred fifty percent (150%) and two hundred percent (200%) - the accepted rate will be eighty-five percent (85%) of the proposed rate.
- c. If the proposed rate is greater than two hundred percent (200%) - the accepted rate will be seventy-five percent (75%) of the proposed rate.

2. If IOAI is unable to issue a cognizant letter per paragraph E.1. above, IOAI may require CONSULTANT to submit a revised independent CPA-audited ICR and audit report within three (3) months of the effective date of the management letter. IOAI will then have up to six (6) months to review the CONSULTANT's and/or the independent CPA's revisions.
3. If the CONSULTANT fails to comply with the provisions of this paragraph E, or if IOAI is still unable to issue a cognizant approval letter after the revised independent CPA audited ICR is submitted, overhead cost reimbursement will be limited to the accepted ICR that was established upon initial rejection of the ICR and set forth in paragraph E.1. above for all rendered services. In this event, this accepted ICR will become the actual and final ICR for reimbursement purposes under this AGREEMENT.
4. CONSULTANT may submit to COUNTY final invoice only when all of the following items have occurred: (1) IOAI accepts or adjusts the original or revised independent CPA audited ICR; (2) all work under this AGREEMENT has been completed to the satisfaction of COUNTY; and, (3) IOAI has issued its final ICR review letter. The CONSULTANT MUST SUBMIT ITS FINAL INVOICE TO COUNTY no later than sixty (60) calendar days after occurrence of the last of these items. The accepted ICR will apply to this AGREEMENT and all other agreements executed between COUNTY and the CONSULTANT, either as a prime or subconsultant, with the same fiscal period ICR.

ARTICLE X SUBCONTRACTING

- A. Nothing contained in this AGREEMENT or otherwise, shall create any contractual relation between the COUNTY and any Subconsultants, and no subagreement shall relieve the CONSULTANT of its responsibilities and obligations hereunder. The CONSULTANT agrees to be as fully responsible to the COUNTY for the acts and omissions of its Subconsultants and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by any of them as it is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT's obligation to pay its Subconsultants is an independent obligation from the COUNTY's obligation to make payments to the CONSULTANT.
- B. The CONSULTANT shall perform the work contemplated with resources available within its own organization and no portion of the work shall be subcontracted without written authorization by the COUNTY Contract Administrator, except that which is expressly identified in the CONSULTANT's approved Cost Proposal.
- C. Any subagreement entered into as a result of this AGREEMENT, shall contain all

the provisions stipulated in this entire AGREEMENT to be applicable to Subconsultants unless otherwise noted.

- D. CONSULTANT shall pay its Subconsultants within Fifteen (15) calendar days from receipt of each payment made to the CONSULTANT by the COUNTY.
- E. Any substitution of Subconsultants must be approved in writing by the COUNTY Contract Administrator in advance of assigning work to a substitute Subconsultant.
- F. Prompt Progress Payment

CONSULTANT or subconsultant shall pay to any subconsultant, not later than fifteen (15) days after receipt of each progress payment, unless otherwise agreed to in writing, the respective amounts allowed CONSULTANT on account of the work performed by the subconsultants, to the extent of each subconsultant's interest therein. In the event that there is a good faith dispute over all or any portion of the amount due on a progress payment from CONSULTANT or subconsultant to a subconsultant, CONSULTANT or subconsultant may withhold no more than 150 percent of the disputed amount. Any violation of this requirement shall constitute a cause for disciplinary action and shall subject the licensee to a penalty, payable to the subconsultant, of 2 percent of the amount due per month for every month that payment is not made.

In any action for the collection of funds wrongfully withheld, the prevailing party shall be entitled to his or her attorney's fees and costs. The sanctions authorized under this requirement shall be separate from, and in addition to, all other remedies, either civil, administrative, or criminal.

- G. Prompt Payment of Withheld Funds to Subconsultants

The COUNTY may hold retainage from CONSULTANT and shall make prompt and regular incremental acceptances of portions, as determined by the COUNTY, of the contract work, and pay retainage to CONSULTANT based on these acceptances. The COUNTY shall designate one of the methods below in the contract to ensure prompt and full payment of any retainage kept by CONSULTANT or subconsultant to a subconsultant.

No retainage will be held by the LOCAL AGENCY from progress payments due to CONSULTANT. Any retainage kept by CONSULTANT or by a subconsultant must be paid in full to the earning subconsultant within 15 days after the subconsultant's work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment may take place only for good cause and with the LOCAL AGENCY's prior written approval. Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating CONSULTANT or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions, and remedies specified in Section 3321 of the California Civil Code. This requirement shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative or judicial remedies, otherwise available to CONSULTANT or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by CONSULTANT, deficient subconsultant performance and/or noncompliance by a subconsultant.

Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating CONSULTANT or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies specified therein.

These requirements shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies otherwise available to CONSULTANT or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by CONSULTANT, deficient subcontract performance, or noncompliance by a subconsultant.

ARTICLE XI EQUIPMENT PURCHASE AND OTHER CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

- A. Prior authorization in writing by COUNTY's Contract Administrator shall be required before CONSULTANT enters into any unbudgeted purchase order, or subcontract exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for supplies, equipment, or CONSULTANT services. CONSULTANT shall provide an evaluation of the necessity or desirability of incurring such costs.
- B. For purchase of any item, service, or consulting work not covered in CONSULTANT's approved Cost Proposal and exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000), with prior authorization by COUNTY's Contract Administrator, three competitive quotations must be submitted with the request, or the absence of proposal must be adequately justified.
- C. Any equipment purchased with funds provided under the terms of this AGREEMENT is subject to the following:
 1. CONSULTANT shall maintain an inventory of all nonexpendable property. Nonexpendable property is defined as having a useful life of at least two years and an acquisition cost of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or more. If the purchased equipment needs replacement and is sold or traded in, COUNTY shall receive a proper refund or credit at the conclusion of the AGREEMENT, or if the AGREEMENT is terminated, CONSULTANT may either keep the equipment and credit COUNTY in an amount equal to its fair market value, or sell such equipment at the best price obtainable at a public or private sale, in accordance with established COUNTY procedures; and credit COUNTY in an amount equal to the sales price. If CONSULTANT elects to keep the equipment, fair market value shall be determined at CONSULTANT's expense, on the basis of a competent independent appraisal of such equipment. Appraisals shall be obtained from an appraiser mutually agreeable to by COUNTY and CONSULTANT, if it is determined to sell the equipment, the terms and conditions of such sale must be approved in advance by COUNTY.
 2. Regulation 2 CFR 200 requires a credit to Federal funds when participating equipment with a fair market value greater than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) is credited to the project.

ARTICLE XII STATE PREVAILING WAGE RATES

- A. No CONSULTANT or Subconsultant may be awarded an AGREEMENT containing public work elements unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) pursuant to Labor Code §1725.5. Registration with DIR must be maintained throughout the entire term of this AGREEMENT, including any subsequent amendments.
- B. The CONSULTANT shall comply with all of the applicable provisions of the California Labor Code requiring the payment of prevailing wages. The General

Prevailing Wage Rate Determinations applicable to work under this AGREEMENT are available and on file with the Department of Transportation's Regional/District Labor Compliance Officer (<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/construction/labor-compliance>). These wage rates are made a specific part of this AGREEMENT by reference pursuant to Labor Code §1773.2 and will be applicable to work performed at a construction project site. Prevailing wages will be applicable to all inspection work performed at COUNTY construction sites, at COUNTY facilities and at off-site locations that are set up by the construction contractor or one of its subcontractors solely and specifically to serve COUNTY projects. Prevailing wage requirements do not apply to inspection work performed at the facilities of vendors and commercial materials suppliers that provide goods and services to the general public.

C. General Prevailing Wage Rate Determinations applicable to this project may also be obtained from the Department of Industrial Relations website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.

D. Payroll Records

1. Each CONSULTANT and Subconsultant shall keep accurate certified payroll records and supporting documents as mandated by Labor Code §1776 and as defined in 8 CCR §16000 showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker, or other employee employed by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in connection with the public work. Each payroll record shall contain or be verified by a written declaration that it is made under penalty of perjury, stating both of the following:
 - a. The information contained in the payroll record is true and correct.
 - b. The employer has complied with the requirements of Labor Code §1771, §1811, and §1815 for any work performed by his or her employees on the public works project.
2. The payroll records enumerated under paragraph (1) above shall be certified as correct by the CONSULTANT under penalty of perjury. The payroll records and all supporting documents shall be made available for inspection and copying by COUNTY representatives at all reasonable hours at the principal office of the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT shall provide copies of certified payrolls or permit inspection of its records as follows:
 - a. A certified copy of an employee's payroll record shall be made available for inspection or furnished to the employee or the employee's authorized representative on request.
 - b. A certified copy of all payroll records enumerated in paragraph (1) above, shall be made available for inspection or furnished upon request to a representative of COUNTY, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards of the Department of Industrial Relations. Certified payrolls submitted to COUNTY, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards shall not be altered or obliterated by the

CONSULTANT.

- c. The public shall not be given access to certified payroll records by the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT is required to forward any requests for certified payrolls to the COUNTY Contract Administrator by both email and regular mail on the business day following receipt of the request.
- 3. Each CONSULTANT shall submit a certified copy of the records enumerated in paragraph (1) above, to the entity that requested the records within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of a written request.
- 4. Any copy of records made available for inspection as copies and furnished upon request to the public or any public agency by COUNTY shall be marked or obliterated in such a manner as to prevent disclosure of each individual's name, address, and social security number. The name and address of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant performing the work shall not be marked or obliterated.
- 5. The CONSULTANT shall inform COUNTY of the location of the records enumerated under paragraph (1) above, including the street address, city and county, and shall, within five (5) working days, provide a notice of a change of location and address.
- 6. The CONSULTANT or Subconsultant shall have ten (10) calendar days in which to comply subsequent to receipt of written notice requesting the records enumerated in paragraph (1) above. In the event the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant fails to comply within the ten (10) day period, he or she shall, as a penalty to COUNTY, forfeit one hundred dollars (\$100) for each calendar day, or portion thereof, for each worker, until strict compliance is effectuated. Such penalties shall be withheld by COUNTY from payments then due. CONSULTANT is not subject to a penalty assessment pursuant to this section due to the failure of a Subconsultant to comply with this section.

E. When prevailing wage rates apply, the CONSULTANT is responsible for verifying compliance with certified payroll requirements. Invoice payment will not be made until the invoice is approved by the COUNTY Contract Administrator.

F. Penalty

- 1. The CONSULTANT and any of its Subconsultants shall comply with Labor Code §1774 and §1775. Pursuant to Labor Code §1775, the CONSULTANT and any Subconsultant shall forfeit to the COUNTY a penalty of not more than two hundred dollars (\$200) for each calendar day, or portion thereof, for each worker paid less than the prevailing rates as determined by the Director of DIR for the work or craft in which the worker is employed for any public work done under the AGREEMENT by the CONSULTANT or by its Subconsultant in violation of the requirements of the Labor Code and in particular, Labor Code §§1770 to 1780, inclusive.
- 2. The amount of this forfeiture shall be determined by the Labor Commissioner and shall be based on consideration of mistake, inadvertence, or neglect of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in failing to pay the correct rate of prevailing

wages, or the previous record of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in meeting their respective prevailing wage obligations, or the willful failure by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant to pay the correct rates of prevailing wages. A mistake, inadvertence, or neglect in failing to pay the correct rates of prevailing wages is not excusable if the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant had knowledge of the obligations under the Labor Code. The CONSULTANT is responsible for paying the appropriate rate, including any escalations that take place during the term of the AGREEMENT.

3. In addition to the penalty and pursuant to Labor Code §1775, the difference between the prevailing wage rates and the amount paid to each worker for each calendar day or portion thereof for which each worker was paid less than the prevailing wage rate shall be paid to each worker by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant.
4. If a worker employed by a Subconsultant on a public works project is not paid the general prevailing per diem wages by the Subconsultant, the CONSULTANT of the project is not liable for the penalties described above unless the CONSULTANT had knowledge of that failure of the Subconsultant to pay the specified prevailing rate of wages to those workers or unless the CONSULTANT fails to comply with all of the following requirements:
 - a. The AGREEMENT executed between the CONSULTANT and the Subconsultant for the performance of work on public works projects shall include a copy of the requirements in Labor Code §§ 1771, 1775, 1776, 1777.5, 1813, and 1815.
 - b. The CONSULTANT shall monitor the payment of the specified general prevailing rate of per diem wages by the Subconsultant to the employees by periodic review of the certified payroll records of the Subconsultant.
 - c. Upon becoming aware of the Subconsultant's failure to pay the specified prevailing rate of wages to the Subconsultant's workers, the CONSULTANT shall diligently take corrective action to halt or rectify the failure, including but not limited to, retaining sufficient funds due the Subconsultant for work performed on the public works project.
 - d. Prior to making final payment to the Subconsultant for work performed on the public works project, the CONSULTANT shall obtain an affidavit signed under penalty of perjury from the Subconsultant that the Subconsultant had paid the specified general prevailing rate of per diem wages to the Subconsultant's employees on the public works project and any amounts due pursuant to Labor Code §1813.
5. Pursuant to Labor Code §1775, COUNTY shall notify the CONSULTANT on a public works project within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of a complaint that a Subconsultant has failed to pay workers the general prevailing rate of per diem wages.
6. If COUNTY determines that employees of a Subconsultant were not paid the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and if COUNTY did not retain sufficient money under the AGREEMENT to pay those employees the balance of wages owed under the general prevailing rate of per diem wages, the

CONSULTANT shall withhold an amount of moneys due the Subconsultant sufficient to pay those employees the general prevailing rate of per diem wages if requested by COUNTY.

G. Hours of Labor

Eight (8) hours labor constitutes a legal day's work. The CONSULTANT shall forfeit, as a penalty to the COUNTY, twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each worker employed in the execution of the AGREEMENT by the CONSULTANT or any of its Subconsultants for each calendar day during which such worker is required or permitted to work more than eight (8) hours in any one calendar day and forty (40) hours in any one calendar week in violation of the provisions of the Labor Code, and in particular §§1810 to 1815 thereof, inclusive, except that work performed by employees in excess of eight (8) hours per day, and forty (40) hours during any one week, shall be permitted upon compensation for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day and forty (40) hours in any week, at not less than one and one-half (1.5) times the basic rate of pay, as provided in §1815.

H. Employment of Apprentices

1. Where either the prime AGREEMENT or the subagreement exceeds thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), the CONSULTANT and any subconsultants under him or her shall comply with all applicable requirements of Labor Code §§ 1777.5, 1777.6 and 1777.7 in the employment of apprentices.
2. CONSULTANTS and subconsultants are required to comply with all Labor Code requirements regarding the employment of apprentices, including mandatory ratios of journey level to apprentice workers. Prior to commencement of work, CONSULTANT and subconsultants are advised to contact the DIR Division of Apprenticeship Standards website at <https://www.dir.ca.gov/das/>, for additional information regarding the employment of apprentices and for the specific journey-to- apprentice ratios for the AGREEMENT work. The CONSULTANT is responsible for all subconsultants' compliance with these requirements. Penalties are specified in Labor Code §1777.7.

ARTICLE XIII CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- A. During the term of this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT shall disclose any financial, business, or other relationship with COUNTY that may have an impact upon the outcome of this AGREEMENT or any ensuing COUNTY construction project. The CONSULTANT shall also list current clients who may have a financial interest in the outcome of this AGREEMENT or any ensuing COUNTY construction project which will follow.
- B. CONSULTANT certifies that it has disclosed to COUNTY any actual, apparent, or potential conflicts of interest that may exist relative to the services to be provided pursuant to this AGREEMENT. CONSULTANT agrees to advise COUNTY of any actual, apparent or potential conflicts of interest that may develop subsequent to the date of execution of this AGREEMENT. CONSULTANT further agrees to complete any statements of economic interest if required by either COUNTY ordinance or State law.
- C. The CONSULTANT hereby certifies that it does not now have, nor shall it acquire

any financial or business interest that would conflict with the performance of services under this AGREEMENT.

D. The CONSULTANT hereby certifies that the CONSULTANT or subconsultant and any firm affiliated with the CONSULTANT or subconsultant that bids on any construction contract or on any Agreement to provide construction inspection for any construction project resulting from this AGREEMENT, has established necessary controls to ensure a conflict of interest does not exist. An affiliated firm is one, which is subject to the control of the same persons, through joint ownership or otherwise.

ARTICLE XIV REBATES, KICKBACKS OR OTHER UNLAWFUL CONSIDERATION

The CONSULTANT warrants that this AGREEMENT was not obtained or secured through rebates, kickbacks or other unlawful consideration either promised or paid to any COUNTY employee. For breach or violation of this warranty, COUNTY shall have the right, in its discretion, to terminate this AGREEMENT without liability, to pay only for the value of the work actually performed, or to deduct from this AGREEMENT price or otherwise recover the full amount of such rebate, kickback or other unlawful consideration.

ARTICLE XV PROHIBITION OF EXPENDING COUNTY, STATE, OR FEDERAL FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

A. The CONSULTANT certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No State, Federal, or COUNTY appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the CONSULTANT, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any local, State, or Federal agency, a Member of the State Legislature or United States Congress, an officer or employee of the Legislature or Congress, or any employee of a Member of the Legislature or Congress in connection with the awarding or making of this AGREEMENT, or with the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of this AGREEMENT.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

B. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. §1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and not more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for each such failure.

C. The CONSULTANT also agrees by signing this document that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier

subagreements, which exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), and that all such subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

ARTICLE XVI NON-DISCRIMINATION CLAUSE AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

- A. The CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein and dated shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the CONSULTANT has, unless exempt, complied with the nondiscrimination program requirements of Gov. Code §12990 and 2 CCR § 8103.
- B. During the performance of this AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall not deny the AGREEMENT's benefits to any person on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, or military and veteran status, nor shall they unlawfully discriminate, harass, or allow harassment against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, or military and veteran status. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment.
- C. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code §12990 et seq.), the applicable regulations promulgated there under (2CCR §11000 et seq.), the provisions of Gov. Code §§11135-11139.5, and the regulations or standards adopted by COUNTY to implement such article. The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Gov. Code §12990 (a-f), set forth 2 CCR §§8100-8504, are incorporated into this AGREEMENT by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.
- D. CONSULTANT shall permit access by representatives of the Department of Fair Employment and Housing and the COUNTY upon reasonable notice at any time during the normal business hours, but in no case less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice, to such of its books, records, accounts, and all other sources of information and its facilities as said Department or COUNTY shall require to ascertain compliance with this clause.
- E. CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other Agreement.
- F. CONSULTANT shall include the nondiscrimination and compliance provisions of this clause in all subcontracts to perform work under this AGREEMENT.
- G. The CONSULTANT, with regard to the work performed under this AGREEMENT, shall act in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §2000d et seq.). Title VI provides that the recipients of federal assistance will implement and maintain a policy of nondiscrimination in which no person in the United States

shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of or subject to discrimination under any program or activity by the recipients of federal assistance or their assignees and successors in interest.

- H. The CONSULTANT shall comply with regulations relative to non-discrimination in federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation (49 CFR 21 - Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964). Specifically, the CONSULTANT shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by 49 CFR §21.5, including employment practices and the selection and retention of Subconsultants.
- I. CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will never exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by 49 CFR 26 on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin.

ARTICLE XVII DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION

- A. The CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the CONSULTANT or any person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer or manager:
 - 1. Is not currently under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion, or determination of ineligibility by any federal agency;
 - 2. Has not been suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded, or determined ineligible by any federal agency within the past three (3) years;
 - 3. Does not have a proposed debarment pending; and
 - 4. Has not been indicted, convicted, or had a civil judgment rendered against it by a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three (3) years.
- B. Any exceptions to this certification must be disclosed to COUNTY. Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of recommendation for award, but will be considered in determining responsibility. Disclosures must indicate the party to whom the exceptions apply, the initiating agency, and the dates of agency action.
- C. Exceptions to the Federal Government excluded parties (<https://sam.gov/content/home>) maintained by the U.S. General Services Administration are to be determined by FHWA.

ARTICLE XVIII DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) PARTICIPATION

This Article has been deleted as a result of the U.S. Department of Transportation's interim final rule (IFR) effective October 3, 2025 modifying the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program (49 CFR 26).

ARTICLE XIX INSURANCE

See Exhibit C, Insurance Requirements, of the Agreement.

ARTICLE XX FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

- A. It is mutually understood between the parties that this AGREEMENT may have been written before ascertaining the availability of funds or appropriation of funds, for the mutual benefit of both parties, in order to avoid program and fiscal delays that would occur if the AGREEMENT were executed after that determination was made.
- B. This AGREEMENT is valid and enforceable only if sufficient funds are made available to COUNTY for the purpose of this AGREEMENT. In addition, this AGREEMENT is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, conditions, or any statute enacted by the Congress, State Legislature, or COUNTY governing board that may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this AGREEMENT in any manner.
- C. It is mutually agreed that if sufficient funds are not appropriated, this AGREEMENT may be amended to reflect any reduction in funds.
- D. COUNTY has the option to terminate the AGREEMENT pursuant to Article VI Termination, or by mutual agreement to amend the AGREEMENT to reflect any reduction of funds.

ARTICLE XXI CHANGE IN TERMS

- A. This AGREEMENT may be amended or modified only by mutual written agreement of the parties.
- B. CONSULTANT shall only commence work covered by an amendment after the amendment is executed and notification to proceed has been provided by COUNTY's Contract Administrator.
- C. There shall be no change in CONSULTANT's Project Manager or members of the project team, as listed in the approved Cost Proposal, which is a part of this AGREEMENT without prior written approval by COUNTY's Contract Administrator.

ARTICLE XXII CONTINGENT FEE

CONSULTANT warrants, by execution of this AGREEMENT that no person or selling agency has been employed, or retained, to solicit or secure this AGREEMENT upon an agreement or understanding, for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees, or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by CONSULTANT for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, COUNTY has the right to annul this AGREEMENT without liability; pay only for the value of the work actually performed, or in its discretion to deduct from the AGREEMENT price or consideration, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

ARTICLE XXIII DISPUTES

Prior to either party commencing any legal action under this AGREEMENT, the parties agree to try in good faith, to settle any dispute amicably between them. If a dispute has not been settled after forty-five (45) days of good-faith negotiations and as may be otherwise provided herein, then either party may commence legal action against the other.

- A. Any dispute, other than audit, concerning a question of fact arising under this AGREEMENT that is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by a committee consisting of COUNTY's Contract Administrator and Howard N. Dashiell, who may consider written or verbal information submitted by CONSULTANT.
- B. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days after completion of all deliverables necessary to complete the plans, specifications and estimate, CONSULTANT may request review by COUNTY Governing Board of unresolved claims or disputes, other than audit. The request for review will be submitted in writing.
- C. Neither the pendency of a dispute, nor its consideration by the committee will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE XXIV INSPECTION OF WORK

CONSULTANT and any subconsultant shall permit COUNTY, the State, and the FHWA if federal participating funds are used in this AGREEMENT; to review and inspect the project activities and files at all reasonable times during the performance period of this AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE XXV SAFETY

- A. CONSULTANT shall comply with OSHA regulations applicable to CONSULTANT regarding necessary safety equipment or procedures. CONSULTANT shall comply with safety instructions issued by COUNTY Safety Officer and other COUNTY representatives. CONSULTANT personnel shall wear hard hats and safety vests at all times while working on the construction project site.
- B. Pursuant to the authority contained in Vehicle Code §591, COUNTY has determined that such areas are within the limits of the project and are open to public traffic. CONSULTANT shall comply with all of the requirements set forth in Divisions 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Vehicle Code. CONSULTANT shall take all reasonably necessary precautions for safe operation of its vehicles and the protection of the traveling public from injury and damage from such vehicles.
- C. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract, shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.
- D. CONSULTANT must have a Division of Occupational Safety and Health (CAL-OSHA) permit(s), as outlined in Labor Code §6500 and §6705, prior to the initiation of any practices, work, method, operation, or process related to the construction or excavation of trenches which are five (5) feet or deeper.

ARTICLE XXVI OWNERSHIP OF DATA

- A. It is mutually agreed that all materials prepared by CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT shall become the property of County, and CONSULTANT shall have

no property right therein whatsoever. Immediately upon termination, County shall be entitled to, and CONSULTANT shall deliver to County, reports, investigations, appraisals, inventories, studies, analyses, drawings and data estimates performed to that date, whether completed or not, and other such materials as may have been prepared or accumulated to date by CONSULTANT in performing this AGREEMENT which is not CONSULTANT's privileged information, as defined by law, or CONSULTANT's personnel information, along with all other property belonging exclusively to County which is in CONSULTANT's possession. Publication of the information derived from work performed or data obtained in connection with services rendered under this AGREEMENT must be approved in writing by County.

- B. Additionally, it is agreed that the Parties intend this to be an AGREEMENT for services and each considers the products and results of the services to be rendered by CONSULTANT hereunder to be work made for hire. CONSULTANT acknowledges and agrees that the work (and all rights therein, including, without limitation, copyright) belongs to and shall be the sole and exclusive property of County without restriction or limitation upon its use or dissemination by County.
- C. Nothing herein shall constitute or be construed to be any representation by CONSULTANT that the work product is suitable in any way for any other project except the one detailed in this Contract. Any reuse by County for another project or project location shall be at County's sole risk.
- D. Applicable patent rights provisions regarding rights to inventions shall be included in the contracts as appropriate (48 CFR 27 Subpart 27.3 - Patent Rights under Government Contracts for federal- aid contracts).
- E. COUNTY may permit copyrighting reports or other agreement products. If copyrights are permitted; the AGREEMENT shall provide that the FHWA shall have the royalty-free nonexclusive and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use; and to authorize others to use, the work for government purposes.

ARTICLE XXVII CLAIMS FILED BY COUNTY's CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR

- A. If claims are filed by COUNTY's construction contractor relating to work performed by CONSULTANT's personnel, and additional information or assistance from CONSULTANT's personnel is required in order to evaluate or defend against such claims; CONSULTANT agrees to make its personnel available for consultation with COUNTY'S construction contract administration and legal staff and for testimony, if necessary, at depositions and at trial or arbitration proceedings.
- B. CONSULTANT's personnel that COUNTY considers essential to assist in defending against construction contractor claims will be made available on reasonable notice from COUNTY. Consultation or testimony will be reimbursed at the same rates, including travel costs that are being paid for CONSULTANT's personnel services under this AGREEMENT.
- C. Services of CONSULTANT's personnel in connection with COUNTY's construction contractor claims will be performed pursuant to a written contract amendment, if

necessary, extending the termination date of this AGREEMENT in order to resolve the construction claims.

ARTICLE XXVIII CONFIDENTIALITY OF DATA

- A. All financial, statistical, personal, technical, or other data and information relative to COUNTY's operations, which are designated confidential by COUNTY and made available to CONSULTANT in order to carry out this AGREEMENT, shall be protected by CONSULTANT from unauthorized use and disclosure.
- B. Permission to disclose information on one occasion, or public hearing held by COUNTY relating to the AGREEMENT, shall not authorize CONSULTANT to further disclose such information, or disseminate the same on any other occasion.
- C. CONSULTANT shall not comment publicly to the press or any other media regarding the AGREEMENT or COUNTY's actions on the same, except to COUNTY's staff, CONSULTANT's own personnel involved in the performance of this AGREEMENT, at public hearings, or in response to questions from a Legislative committee.
- D. CONSULTANT shall not issue any news release or public relations item of any nature, whatsoever, regarding work performed or to be performed under this AGREEMENT without prior review of the contents thereof by COUNTY, and receipt of COUNTY'S written permission.
- E. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this contract shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.
- F. All information related to the construction estimate is confidential, and shall not be disclosed by CONSULTANT to any entity, other than COUNTY, Caltrans, and/or FHWA. All of the materials prepared or assembled by CONSULTANT pursuant to performance of this Contract are confidential and CONSULTANT agrees that they shall not be made available to any individual or organization without the prior written approval of County or except by court order. If CONSULTANT or any of its officers, employees, or subcontractors does voluntarily provide information in violation of this Contract, County has the right to reimbursement and indemnity from CONSULTANT for any damages caused by CONSULTANT releasing the information, including, but not limited to, County's attorney's fees and disbursements, including without limitation experts' fees and disbursements.

ARTICLE XXIX NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD CERTIFICATION

In accordance with Public Contract Code §10296, CONSULTANT hereby states under penalty of perjury that no more than one final unappealable finding of contempt of court by a federal court has been issued against CONSULTANT within the immediately preceding two-year period, because of CONSULTANT's failure to comply with an order of a federal court that orders CONSULTANT to comply with an order of the National Labor Relations Board.

ARTICLE XXX EVALUATION OF CONSULTANT

CONSULTANT's performance will be evaluated by COUNTY. A copy of the evaluation will be sent to CONSULTANT for comments. The evaluation together with the comments shall be retained as part of the AGREEMENT record.

ARTICLE XXXI PROMPT PAYMENT

A. PROMPT PAYMENT FROM COUNTY TO CONSULTANT

The COUNTY shall make all project progress payment within 30 days after receipt of an undisputed and properly submitted payment request from CONSULTANT on a professional service contract. If the COUNTY fails to pay promptly, the COUNTY shall pay interest to the CONSULTANT, which accrues at the rate of 10 percent per annum on the principal amount of a money judgment remaining unsatisfied and pro-rated as necessary. Upon receipt of the payment request, the COUNTY shall act in accordance with both of the following:

- (1) The COUNTY shall review each payment request as soon as feasible after receipt to verify it is a proper payment request.
- (2) The COUNTY must return any payment request deemed improper by the COUNTY to the CONSULTANT as soon as feasible, but not later than seven (7) days, after receipt. A request returned pursuant to this paragraph shall include documentation setting forth in writing the reasons why it is an improper payment request.

B. PROMPT PAYMENT CERTIFICATION

For projects awarded on or after September 1, 2023: the CONSULTANT must now submit Exhibit 9-P to the COUNTY administering the contract by the 15th of the month following the month of any payment(s). If the CONSULTANT does not make any payments to subconsultants, supplier(s), and/or manufacturers they must report "no payments were made to subs this month" and write this visibly and legibly on Exhibit 9-P.

The COUNTY must verify all Exhibit 9-P information, monitor compliance with prompt payment requirements.

ARTICLE XXXII TITLE VI ASSURANCES

APPENDICES A & E of the TITLE VI ASSURANCES

APPENDIX A

During the performance of this Agreement, the contractor, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest (hereinafter collectively referred to as CONSULTANT) agrees as follows:

- a. Compliance with Regulations: CONSULTANT shall comply with the regulations relative to nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department

of Transportation, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the REGULATIONS), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this agreement.

- b. Nondiscrimination: CONSULTANT, with regard to the work performed by it during the AGREEMENT, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, or disability in the selection and retention of sub-applicants, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. CONSULTANT shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the agreement covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- c. Solicitations for Sub-agreements, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment: In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by CONSULTANT for work to be performed under a Sub- agreement, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential sub-applicant or supplier shall be notified by CONSULTANT of the CONSULTANT'S obligations under this Agreement and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
- d. Information and Reports: CONSULTANT shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the recipient or FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations or directives. Where any information required of CONSULTANT is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, CONSULTANT shall so certify to the recipient or FHWA as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts CONSULTANT has made to obtain the information.
- e. Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of CONSULTANT's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this agreement, the recipient shall impose such agreement sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - i. withholding of payments to CONSULTANT under the Agreement within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed 90 days; and/or
 - ii. cancellation, termination or suspension of the Agreement, in whole or in part.
- f. Incorporation of Provisions: CONSULTANT shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every sub-agreement, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto.

CONSULTANT shall take such action with respect to any sub-agreement or procurement as the recipient or FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance, provided, however, that, in the event CONSULTANT becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a sub-

applicant or supplier as a result of such direction, CONSULTANT may request the recipient enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the State, and, in addition, CONSULTANT may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

APPENDIX E

During the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "CONSULTANT") agrees to comply with the following non- discrimination statutes and authorities, including, but not limited to:

Pertinent Non-Discrimination Authorities:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21.
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.), prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex;
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CR Part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 U.S.C. § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination of the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 – 12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. §

47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);

- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of Limited English Proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C.1681 et seq).

ARTICLE XXXIII NOTIFICATION

See Clause 10, Notices, of the Agreement.

ARTICLE XXXIV CONTRACT

The two parties to this AGREEMENT, who are the before named CONSULTANT and the before named COUNTY, hereby agree that this AGREEMENT constitutes the entire AGREEMENT which is made and concluded in duplicate between the two parties. Both of these parties for and in consideration of the payments to be made, conditions mentioned, and work to be performed; each agree to diligently perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT as evidenced by the signatures on page 3 of the agreement.