



AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Control: 26001683

MEETING DATE: 08/25/2026

LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors and Orange County Flood Control District

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S): All Districts

SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: OC Public Works

DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S): Hugo Pineda, 714-955-0302
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SUBJECT: Approve Contracts for Heavy Equipment Rental with Operator Services

CEO CONCUR	COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	CLERK OF THE BOARD
Concur	Approve agreement to form	DISCUSSION
		3 Votes Board Majority

Budgeted: Yes	Current Year Cost: \$650,707	Annual Cost: FY 2027-28 \$926,688 FY 2028-29 \$924,156 FY 2029-30 \$273,449
Staffing Impact: No		Sole Source: No
Current Fiscal Year	Funding Source: See Financial Impact	County Audit in Last 3
Revenue: N/A	Section	years: No
Levine Act Review		
Completed? Yes		
Prior Board Action: N/A		

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Authorize the County Procurement Officer or Deputized designee to execute an aggregate contract with Savala Equipment Company Inc. for Heavy Equipment Rental with Operator Services, effective October 17, 2026, through October 16, 2029, with the option to renew for two additional years upon Board of Supervisors approval.
2. Authorize the County Procurement Officer or Deputized designee to execute an aggregate contract with Top Hand Heavy Equipment Rental, LLC for Heavy Equipment Rental with Operator Services, effective October 17, 2026, through October 16, 2029, with the option to renew for two additional years upon Board of Supervisors approval.
3. Authorize expenditures for services provided under the aggregate contracts for provision of Heavy Equipment Rental with Operator in an aggregate total amount not to exceed \$2,775,000.

SUMMARY:

Approval of aggregate contracts for Heavy Equipment Rental with Operator Services will allow OC Public Works to support planned maintenance projects as well as unforeseen or specialized projects, especially during emergencies.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

OC Public Works requires access to Heavy Equipment Rental with Operator Services (Services) to supplement County of Orange (County) resources and ensure the timely completion of critical maintenance, construction and emergency response activities throughout Orange County. These Services are essential for maintaining Orange County Flood Control District (District) facilities, County roads and other public infrastructure that directly impacts public safety and the uninterrupted operation of transportation and flood control systems.

The County routinely performs a wide variety of work requiring specialized heavy equipment, including but not limited to service road grading, rip rap replacement, storm damage repairs, mudslide removal, road shoulder reconstruction, channel maintenance, debris removal and emergency response operations. The scope, frequency and location of these tasks vary significantly throughout the year and are often driven by weather events, emergency incidents, regulatory requirements and unforeseen infrastructure failures. Maintaining contracts for Services ensures operational flexibility, maximizes resource availability, minimizes project delays and supports the County's ability to efficiently and effectively serve the public.

The current contracts for Services were approved by the Board of Supervisors (Board) on September 28, 2021, amended on January 24, 2023, renewed on September 10, 2024, and August 26, 2025, and will expire on October 16, 2026. To maintain Services, new contracts are necessary.

On April 30, 2026, OC Public Works issued an Invitation for Bid for Services on the County online bidding system. Three bids were received and deemed responsive. The lowest responsive responsible bidders, Savala Equipment Company Inc. and Top Hand Heavy Equipment Rental, LLC, were deemed qualified to perform the needed Services. The Bid Summary is included in Attachment D.

The Orange County Preference Policy (OCPP) was applicable and incorporated into this solicitation, however no OCPP qualified bids were submitted.

OC Public Works is recommending Board approval of the contracts for Services, effective October 17, 2026 through October 16, 2029, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$2,775,000, with the option to renew for two additional years upon Board approval with the following contractors:

Contractor	Contract Number (Contracts)
Savala Equipment Company Inc.	MA-080-26011093
Top Hand Heavy Equipment Rental, LLC	MA-080-26011093

An analysis was completed to verify the aggregate contracts provide the County with persons specially trained, experienced, expert and competent to perform the special services in accordance with the law.

The Contractors' licenses numbers were verified as current and active through the Department of Consumer Affairs database on May 12, 2026. A copy of the verification is on file.

OC Public Works has conducted due diligence on the Contractors. Reference checks were satisfactory and were completed with regarding similar Services:

Contractors	Reference	Reference	Reference
Savala Equipment Company Inc.	Earthrite Engineering	G.B. Cooke Inc.	T.E. Roberts Inc.
Top Hand Heavy Equipment Rental, LLC	CalEx Engineering Co.	Fydaq Company	Griffith Company

The aggregate Contracts do not currently include subcontractors or pass through to other providers. See Attachment C for Contract Summary Forms.

Compliance with CEQA: This action is not a project within the meaning of the CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 and is therefore not subject to CEQA, since it does not have the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. The approval of this agenda item does not commit the County to a definite course of action in regard to a project since it approves contracts for Heavy Equipment Rental with Operator Services for critical maintenance, construction and emergency response activities for District facilities, County roads and other public infrastructure. This proposed activity is therefore not subject to CEQA. Any future action connected to this approval that constitutes a project will be reviewed for compliance with CEQA.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Appropriations for the aggregate Contracts are included in FY 2026-27 Budget for the following funds and will be included in the budgeting process for future years.

Fund 100, Budget Control 080, OC Public Works	20%
Fund 115, OC Road	40%
Fund 400, OC Flood	40%

The proposed aggregate Contracts include a provision stating the aggregate Contracts are subject to, and contingent upon, applicable budgetary appropriations being approved by the Board for each fiscal year during the term of the aggregate Contracts. If such appropriations are not approved, the aggregate Contracts may be immediately terminated without penalty to the County.

STAFFING IMPACT:

N/A

REVIEWING AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Contract MA-080-26011093 with Savala Equipment Company Inc.

Attachment B - Contract MA-080-26011093 with Top Hand Heavy Equipment Rental, LLC

Attachment C - Contract Summary Forms

Attachment D - Bid Summary