



AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Control: 26001195

MEETING DATE: 05/19/2026

LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S): All Districts

SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: OC Waste & Recycling

DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S): Tom Koutroulis, 714-834-4122
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SUBJECT: Amendments to Architect Engineer Task Order Contracts for Landfill Services

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

Budgeted: N/A	Current Year Cost: N/A	Annual Cost: FY 2026-27 \$2,700,000
Staffing Impact: No		Sole Source: No
Current Fiscal Year Revenue: N/A	Funding Source: Fund 299: 50% and Fund 273: 50%	County Audit in Last 3 years: No

Levine Act Review Completed? Yes

Prior Board Action: 2/24/2026 #28, 1/13/2026 #27, 12/2/2025 #34, 1/10/2023 #14

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Authorize the OC Waste & Recycling Director or designee, per delegated authority from OC Public Works Director, to execute Amendment No. 3 to the contract with Advanced Earth Sciences, Inc. for Architect-Engineer Task Order Contract for Landfill Services to amend the Contract in an amount not to exceed \$250,000, effective July 10, 2026, to January 31, 2027, for a revised cumulative amount not to exceed \$3,750,000.
2. Authorize the OC Waste & Recycling Director or designee, per delegated authority from OC Public Works Director, to execute Amendment No. 2 to the contract with GeoLogic Associates, Inc. for Architect-Engineer Task Order Contract for Landfill Services to amend the Contract for an extension effective July 10, 2026, to January 31, 2027.
3. Authorize the OC Waste & Recycling Director or designee, per delegated authority from OC Public Works Director, to execute Amendment No. 3 to the contract with Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. for Architect-Engineer Task Order Contract for Landfill Services to amend the contract in an amount not to exceed \$650,000 effective July 10, 2026, to January 31, 2027, for a revised cumulative amount not to exceed \$3,650,000.
4. Authorize the OC Waste & Recycling Director or designee, per delegated authority from OC Public Works Director, to execute Amendment No. 3 to the contract with SWT Engineering, Inc. for Architect-Engineer Task Order Contract for Landfill Services to amend the contract in an amount not to exceed \$850,000, effective July 10, 2026, to January 31, 2027, for a revised cumulative amount not to exceed \$4,350,000.
5. Authorize the OC Waste & Recycling Director or designee, per delegated authority from OC Public Works Director, to execute Amendment No. 4 to the contract with Tetra Tech BAS, Inc. for Architect-Engineer Task

Order Contract for Landfill Services to amend the contract in an amount not to exceed \$950,000, effective July 10, 2026, to January 31, 2027, for a revised cumulative amount not to exceed \$4,650,000.

6. Authorize the OC Waste & Recycling Director or designee, per delegated authority from OC Public Works Director, to make ministerial or non-material changes to the contracts.

SUMMARY:

Approval of the amendments of the A-E Task Order Contracts for Landfill Services with Advanced Earth Sciences, Inc., GeoLogic Associates, Inc., Geosyntec Consultants, Inc., SWT Engineering, Inc. and Tetra Tech BAS, Inc., will supplement the County of Orange resources and provide timely access to specialized Architect-Engineering Services that will support continued Countywide landfill operations and compliance with local, state and federal regulatory requirements.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

OC Waste & Recycling (OCWR) is responsible for managing the County of Orange (County) solid waste disposal system. The system consists of three active regional landfill operations, 20 closed solid waste disposal sites and four household hazardous waste collection centers. The active regional landfills were opened to meet the solid waste disposal needs of the northern, central and southern regions of the County and consist of the Olinda Alpha Landfill, opened in 1960 to serve the northern region, Frank R. Bowerman Landfill, opened in 1990 to serve the central region and Prima Deshecha Landfill, opened in 1976 to serve the southern region.

The Architect-Engineering (A-E) Services being requested will provide Landfill Services (Services) for all aspects of solid waste facility and infrastructure design and engineering to help the County plan, design and build infrastructure to manage the processing, transfer, recycling, conversion and disposal of waste. This includes design of systems and facilities that help counties and cities meet new waste diversion and greenhouse gas reduction requirements, including comprehensive solid waste facility planning and permitting, design, construction, operations, monitoring, maintenance and closure. The Services include, but are not limited to, solid waste management planning, environmental planning, engineering and permitting, landfill design and engineering services, civil infrastructure services, solid waste compliance services, operation support services, groundwater extraction system and liquid conveyance systems services, geotechnical services, organics services and renewable energy services. These Services will allow OCWR to engage experts in a variety of landfill support disciplines, which are necessary to respond and comply with state and local regulatory requirements in a timely manner.

On January 10, 2023, the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved three-year contracts for Landfill Services, effective January 10, 2023, through January 9, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$3 million each, for an aggregate cumulative total of \$15 million, renewable for one additional two-year term for the following contractors:

1. Advanced Earth Sciences, Inc.
2. GeoLogic Associates, Inc.
3. Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.
4. SWT Engineering, Inc.
5. Tetra Tech BAS, Inc.

On July 30, 2025, in accordance with Contract Policy Manual Section 304-111, OCWR executed Amendment Number One with Tetra Tech BAS, Inc. to increase funds in the amount of \$200,000 for the current contract term, for a revised cumulative contract amount not to exceed \$3.2 million.

On December 2, 2025, the Board approved amendments to extend the contracts for six months, effective January 10, 2026, through July 9, 2026.

On January 13, 2026, the Board approved amendments to increase contract capacity by \$500,000 for the current Contract term, for Advanced Earth Sciences, Inc., SWT Engineering, Inc. and Tetra Tech BAS, Inc. to ensure

continuity of services during ongoing Contract Policy Manual-related discussions of A-E On-Call contracting strategies. This action allowed OCWR to continue issuing task orders as needed and prevent project delays or interruptions while contracting actions were being finalized.

On February 24, 2026, the Board approved the adoption of the 2026 Contract Policy Manual, which updates terminology by replacing references to On-Call Contracts with Task Order Contracts (Contracts). The 2026 Contract Policy Manual also limits the term of Task Order Contracts to three years. This represents a change from the prior contracting practice that allowed for longer total durations through contract renewals approved by the Board. Due to this policy change, OCWR is requesting an increase in contract capacity and time extension to the current contracts to ensure continuity of services while new Task Order contracts are procured and executed, expected for December 2026. Approval of these amendments will prevent disruption to ongoing operations and projects.

OCWR is requesting approval of the following amendments for A-E Task Order Contracts for Landfill Services, effective July 10, 2026, through January 31, 2027, in a cumulative amount not to exceed \$2.7 million:

Amendment Number	Contract	Contractor
Amendment Number Three	MA-299-23010508	Advanced Earth Sciences, Inc.
Amendment Number Two	MA-299-23010509	GeoLogic Associates, Inc.
Amendment Number Three	MA-299-23010510	Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.
Amendment Number Three	MA-299-23010511	SWT Engineering, Inc.
Amendment Number Four	MA-299-23010512	Tetra Tech BAS, Inc.

All five contractors’ performances have been confirmed as satisfactory. OCWR has verified there are no concerns that must be addressed with respect to any contractor’s ownership/name, litigation status or conflicts with County interests. Prior to contract expiration, OCWR plans to issue a solicitation to continue Services, per delegated authority from the OC Public Works Director.

The Orange County Preference Policy is not applicable to these contract amendments.

The contracts with Advanced Earth Sciences, Inc., GeoLogic Associates, Inc., Geosyntec Consultants, Inc., SWT Engineering, Inc. and Tetra Tech BAS, Inc. include subcontractors (if any), all of which have been vetted and verified. See Attachment F for Contract Summary Form(s) and information regarding subcontractors.

Compliance With CEQA: The proposed 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 or 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 is an award approval of an amendment to renew contracts for Services. 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 these contracts will be included in the FY 2026-27 Budget for OC Waste & Recycling Fund 299, 50% and OCWR Capital Project Fund 273, 50% and will be included in the budgeting process for future years.

As part of consolidating the administration of various internal A-E programs and Services contracts under OC Public Works, the amount not to exceed has been established to allow for Countywide utilization, including the Orange County Flood Control District. Departments will utilize their internal process to encumber the amounts needed based on their respective projects and will ensure sufficient appropriations are available in the current budget and for future years.

The contracts include provisions that the contracts are contingent upon the availability of funds and inclusion of sufficient funds in the budget approved by the Board for each fiscal year the contracts remain in effect or operation. In the event such funding is terminated or reduced, the County may terminate these contracts, reduce the County's maximum obligation or modify the contracts, without penalty.

STAFFING IMPACT:

N/A

REVIEWING AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - MA-299-23010508 Advanced Earth Sciences Inc Amendment Three

Attachment B - MA-299-23010509 GeoLogic Associates, Inc. Amendment Two

Attachment C - MA-299-23010510 Geosyntec Consultants Inc Amendment Three

Attachment D - MA-299-23010511 SWT Engineering Inc Amendment Three

Attachment E - MA-299-23010512 Tetra Tech BAS Inc Amendment Four

Attachment F - Contract Summary Form