



AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Control: 26001954

MEETING DATE: 10/27/2026
LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S): District 3, District 4 and District 5
SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: OC Waste & Recycling
DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S): Tom Koutroulis, 714-834-4122
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SUBJECT: Approve Amendment Number One to Contract for Hydroseeding Services

CEO CONCUR

Concur

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW

Approve agreement to form

CLERK OF THE BOARD

DISCUSSION

3 Votes Board Majority

Budgeted: Yes

Current Year Cost: \$650,000

Annual Cost: FY 2027-28

\$370,000

Staffing Impact: No

Sole Source: No

Current Fiscal Year

Funding Source: Fund 299: 100%

County Audit in Last 3

Revenue: N/A

years: No

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Completed? Yes

Prior Board Action: 10/22/2024 #19

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Authorize the County Procurement Officer or Deputized designee to execute amendment number one to the contract with Ron Dietz Inc. dba Dietz Hydroseeding Co. for hydroseeding services, to increase the contract in the amount of \$1,020,000, effective upon approval by the Board of Supervisors and execution of all necessary signatures through November 22, 2027, for a revised cumulative contract total not to exceed \$2,445,000, with unused funds to be carried over from year to year.
2. Authorize the County Procurement Officer or Deputized designee to make ministerial or non-material changes to the contract.

SUMMARY:

Approval of the increase to the contract with Ron Dietz Inc. dba Dietz Hydroseeding Co. for hydroseeding services at Orange County landfills will support continued landfill operations as well as maintain compliance with state and federal regulatory requirements.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

OC Waste & Recycling (OCWR) is responsible for managing the County's 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 purpose of the contract increase is to provide additional hydroseeding services in preparation for the upcoming above-normal rainy season. The additional contract capacity will allow for the timely stabilization of exposed and disturbed areas, particularly slopes and other locations vulnerable to erosion and stormwater runoff. The increase will ensure that hydroseeding can be performed as site conditions require, helping establish vegetative cover, minimize soil erosion and sediment migration, protect drainage infrastructure and reduce the need for emergency corrective work following significant storm events. This increase is intended to provide sufficient contract capacity to proactively address anticipated weather-related needs and maintain effective erosion-control measures throughout the rainy season.

Additionally, the approval of this contract increase for hydroseeding services at the County's solid waste landfills will continue to support OCWR's requirement to protect landfill areas from erosion and prevent silt from migrating into local drainage structures, waterways and sensitive habitat. Hydroseeding supports the requirements of the Regional Water Quality Control Board and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System standards to minimize runoff of soil into navigable water and ensures minimal soil loss, allows for the protection of slopes from unstable conditions due to water infiltration and improves aesthetics. Total Suspended Solids, of which silt from erosion is a contributing component, are also considered a pollutant-of-concern under the California State Water Resources Board's Industrial General Permit for each active landfill, which is mitigated by hydroseeding. Source protection of erodible soils limits silt from filling up the landfills' desilting basins, thereby allowing for greater capacity in each landfill's desilting basins for stormwater control. Keeping soils in place also translates to less labor time and equipment wear and tear for silt removal maintenance of each desilting basin.

On October 22, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved the contract with Ron Dietz Inc., dba Dietz Hydroseeding Co. for hydroseeding services, effective November 23, 2024, through November 22, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$1,425,000, with unused funds to be carried over from year to year, renewable for one additional two-year term.

OCWR is requesting the Board approve amendment number one to the contract with Ron Dietz Inc., dba Dietz Hydroseeding Co. for hydroseeding services, to increase the contract in the amount of \$1,020,000, for a revised cumulative contract total not to exceed \$2,445,000. Approval of this contract increase will support continued landfill operations at the Olinda Alpha Landfill and Prima Deshecha all three Landfills as well as maintain compliance with state and federal regulatory requirements.

The Orange County Preference Policy (OCPP) is not applicable to this contract amendment.

The contractor's performance has been confirmed as satisfactory. OCWR has verified there are no concerns that must be addressed with respect to the Contractor's ownership/name, litigation status or conflicts with County interests.

This contract does not currently include subcontractors or pass through to other providers. See Attachment B for Contract Summary Form.

Compliance with CEQA: The proposed action was previously determined to be Categorically Exempt from CEQA pursuant to Sections 15301, 15304, 15307 and 15308 (Classes 1, 4, 7 and 8) of the CEQA Guidelines, on October 8, 2019, when it was originally approved. CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities) provides for the exemption of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment or topographic features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15304, Class 4 (Minor Alterations to Land) provides for the exemption of minor alterations to land. CEQA Guidelines Section 15307, Class 7 (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources), provides for the exemption of actions taken by a public agency for the protection of natural resources. CEQA Guidelines Section 15308, Class 8 (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment), provides for the exemption of actions taken by a public agency for the protection of the environment. This action will allow for the renewal of an existing contract for continued hydroseeding services for the purpose of environmental protection at existing landfills in the form of erosion control, slope stabilization and minimization of siltation at Orange County Landfills which is consistent with a Class 1, Class 4, Class 7 and Class 8 Categorical Exemption determination. The proposed action results in no new findings and continues to be exempt from CEQA pursuant to the identified Categorical Exemptions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Appropriations for this contract are included in the FY 2026-27 Budget for OC Waste & Recycling Enterprise Fund, Fund 299, and will be included in the budgeting process for future years. The contract includes provisions that the contract is contingent upon the availability of funds and inclusion of sufficient funds in the budget approved by the Board for each fiscal year the contract remains in effect or operation. In the event such funding is terminated or reduced, the County may terminate the contract, reduce the County's maximum obligation or modify the contract, without penalty.

STAFFING IMPACT:

N/A

REVIEWING AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - MA-299-24011626 - Ron Dietz Inc Amendment One

Attachment B - Contract Summary Form