



**Requested Action:**

Consider approval of a contract in the amount up to \$590,400 with the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation to provide tribal/ cultural monitoring services in support of Amendment 3 Geotechnical Field Investigations for the period of February 23, 2022 through December 31, 2024.

**Detailed Description/Background:**

The Authority has been closely collaborating with two tribes with regard to project activities since 2017; the Colusa Indian Community Council and the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. More specifically, the Authority has had the Colusa Indian Community Council (CICC) under contract to provide tribal monitoring of ground-disturbing field activities associated with the geotechnical investigations that were conducted in 2020 and 2021. The tribal monitors are part of the geotechnical investigation team assisting with ensuring disturbance of tribal remains is avoided and if disturbance unexpectedly occurs, they provide the direction for remedial actions.

CICC does not currently have tribal/ cultural monitors available to support the Amendment 3 geotechnical work which is planned to start in March 2022 and run through the end of Amendment 3. CICC referred and recommended Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation to provide the required services as they work in close collaboration with the CICC on tribal/cultural resource issues and have the resources available to support the Amendment 3 fieldwork. The Authority will continue to keep the CICC apprised of the Amendment 3 work as part of our ongoing tribal outreach.

The Authority and the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation have been working in close collaboration over the past 4 years as part of the ongoing AB 52 coordination activities. The Authority has conducted monthly coordination meetings with Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation on tribal/cultural resources issues in relation to the Sites Project's development.

The key terms of the proposed agreement are as follows:

- Scope of work - Yocha Dehe will provide tribal monitoring and consultation for the Project during the archaeological investigations and all ground-disturbing activities required for the Project. Yocha Dehe monitors will work in collaboration with the archaeologists, inspectors, project

managers and other consultants hired/employed/retained by the Authority.

- Fee Schedule – For monitors and staff for Native American Monitoring, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer/Cultural Director, Tribal Executives, Cultural Resources Manager, Cultural Sensitivity Training, administrative fee, and other direct costs.
- Treatment and Disposition of Remains and Cultural Items (artifacts).
- Ownership Relinquishment.
- Confidentiality.

**Prior Action:**

None.

**Fiscal Impact/Funding Source:**

The tribal/ cultural monitoring services budget are included in the approved Amendment 3 Work Plan and are estimated to be an amount up to \$590,400.

**Staff Contact:**

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**Primary Service Provider:**

None.

**Attachments:**

None.