



Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District

PROCUREMENT AGENDA ITEM

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Award of Contract to Rocha Construction and Earthworks, Inc., for Construction Services for the Madonna Creek Dam Repair Project within Miramontes Ridge Opens Space Preserve

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Award a contract to Rocha Construction and Earthworks, Inc., to complete land slide repairs and bank stabilization for the Madonna Creek Dam Repair project (Project) for a base amount not-to-exceed \$184,000.
2. Authorize a 15% contingency in the amount of \$27,600 reserved for unanticipated issues, for a total contract amount not-to-exceed \$211,600.

DISCUSSION

The Madonna Creek Dam Repair Project (Project) is located on Madonna Creek Ranch Property (Property) in the Miramontes Ridge Open Space Preserve. The Property consists of two existing earthen dams (upper and lower), with the Project providing repairs to the lower dam. The downstream face of the lower dam sustained damages due to the overtopping of an existing adjacent spillway during the winter storms of 2022/2023. To prevent further damage and erosion, the Project will provide slope re-grading, erosion control measures, drainage improvements, and re-vegetation. These repairs are not only critical for dam safety, but also to maintain critical habitat for the federally-threatened California red-legged frogs, which rely on the dam and the surrounding riparian areas within and adjacent to the Project site.

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (District) staff issued a Request for Bids on May 5, 2025, and received 6 (six) bids on June 10, 2025, with Rocha Construction and Earthworks, Inc., identified as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Work is scheduled to be completed by the end of October 2025 in accordance with the District's Open Space Maintenance and Restoration Program allowable work window.

In 2023, the repair of these damages was included in the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District's (District) funding request to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as well as the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA). The District received project obligation through FEMA in 2025.

BUDGET / FISCAL IMPACT

The current fiscal year budget contains:

- ☒ sufficient funds.
- ☐ insufficient funds; the next quarterly budget update will include a reallocation of unspent funds from other project budgets to cover for this expenditure.
- ☐ insufficient funds; approval of this item requires a fiscal year budget augmentation.
- ☐ future fiscal year budgets will include additional funds to complete the contracted work.

Measure AA

- ☒ No, this contract is not part of a Measure AA project.
- ☐ Yes, this contract is part of a Measure AA project.

PROCUREMENT PROCESS AND SELECTION

On May 5, 2025, a Request for Bids (RFB) was issued via BidNet, released to five builders' exchanges, and sent directly to qualified contractors. Legal notices were posted in the San Jose Mercury News and San Mateo County Times, and a link to the solicitation was posted on the District website.

The District publicly opened the following bids on June 10, 2025:

Bidder	Location	Proposed Fee	Percent Difference from Cost Estimate of \$247,589
Rocha Construction and Earthworks, Inc.	Half Moon Bay	\$184,000	-25.68%
C. Stille Excavation	Los Gatos	\$237,946	-3.89%
HMB Paving and Grading	Half Moon Bay	\$240,715	-2.77%
Farallon Company Engineering	Half Moon Bay	\$243,770	-1.54%
Brannon Corp.	Morgan Hill	\$277,720	12.16%
Yunesi Construction	Santa Clara	\$417,268	68.53%

Following the bid opening, Rocha Construction and Earthworks, Inc., was announced as the apparent low bidder. Upon review of the bid proposals and confirmation of the contractors' qualifications, in accordance with state law and current Board purchasing policy, the General Manager recommends awarding the contract to Rocha Construction and Earthworks, Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION SUPPORTING THE PROJECT

August 9, 2023 - Board Authorization of FEMA Agreements for Federal Assistance Funding ([R-23-82](#), [minutes](#))

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice was provided as required by the Brown Act.

CEQA COMPLIANCE

The potential environmental impacts for the proposed work of the Project were evaluated in the Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Open Space Maintenance and Restoration Program (OSMRP) prepared under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which was certified by the Board on September 22, 2021 ([R-21-126](#)).

NEXT STEPS

If approved the General Manager will enter into a contract with Rocha Construction and Earthworks, Inc., to complete the Madonna Creek Dam Repair Project. Final contract signature is subject to meeting all District requirements, such as having all required insurance and bonding in place. Work is estimated to begin in August 2025 and will be completed by the end of October 2025.

Attachment(s)

1. Project Vicinity Map
2. Project Site Map

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Madonna Creek Dam Vicinity Map

- Stream**
 - Perennial
 - - - Intermittent
- District Boundary**
 - ▭ District Boundary

- County Boundary**
 - ▭ County Boundary
- Waterbody**
 - ▭ Active Pond
 - ▭ Preserve Boundary

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Madonna Slide Repair

Areas

- Override 1
- Override 2

Trail (classes)

- - - Trail

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