



Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District

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Meeting 11-10
April 27, 2011

AGENDA ITEM 9

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Authorization to Purchase Five Vehicles at a Total Cost Not to Exceed \$395,000

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Authorize the General Manager to execute a purchase contract with the State Department of General Services and Folsom Lake Ford for two patrol and two maintenance vehicles for a total cost not to exceed \$220,000.
2. Authorize the General Manager to execute a purchase contract with the State Department of General Services and West-Mark for one water truck for a total cost not to exceed \$175,000.

DISCUSSION

The District's five-year capital equipment schedule provides for two replacement patrol vehicles, two replacement maintenance trucks, and one water-truck. Purchase orders for vehicles acquired through the State of California Department of General Services (DGS) must be placed prior to the manufacturer's cut-off date. The District's ability to purchase vehicles through DGS provides a significant cost savings and greatly reduces the amount of staff time that would otherwise be required if the District conducted a separate bid process for each type of vehicle.

The two new patrol vehicles will replace vehicles that have reached, or are approaching, the 70,000-mile mark. These higher mileage vehicles will be reassigned to maintenance crews and will replace maintenance vehicles that have attained approximately 100,000 miles. These high-mileage vehicles are at the end of their District life cycle and are typically sold at public auction.

One of the two maintenance trucks included in the recommendation is a ten year old diesel truck subject to California Air Resources Board (CARB) regulations for diesel particulates. Staff has determined that it is more cost effective to replace the vehicle than to retrofit it with a particulate filter. The cost of the retrofit would exceed the value of the vehicle. The second maintenance vehicle is 15 years old with approximately 90,000 hard miles and has reached to end of its useful service life.

The water truck will be used for District road maintenance, dust control, and other projects requiring large amounts of water and will be assigned to the Foothills field office. The District had previously rented water trucks, but they no longer come configured for safe operation in typical open space applications. The four wheel drive water truck currently assigned to the Skyline Field Office is properly equipped, but is often in use for Skyline projects when it is needed at for Foothills Field Office projects.

The funding for the purchase of these five vehicles was included in the FY2011-12 budget (Report No. R-11-43), which was adopted by the Board at its March 23, 2011 Regular meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT

This purchase will not result in an incremental increase in the budget. The FY2011-12 budget includes \$395,000 for the purchase of the subject five new field vehicles.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice was provided as required by the Brown Act. No additional notice is required.

CEQA COMPLIANCE

No environmental review is required as the recommended action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

NEXT STEPS

If approved by the Board, staff will prepare a purchase order for the five new vehicles utilizing the State of California Department of General Services vehicle contracts.

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