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September 14, 2001

City Council  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL FOR COST SHARING WITH THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO AND THE CITIES OF FOLSOM AND GALT FOR THE 2000/2001 NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) STORMWATER MONITORING PROGRAM (PN: WC66)**

**LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: City-wide**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing sharing of costs with the County of Sacramento and the Cities of Folsom and Galt for a Consultant Services Agreement with Larry Walker Associates, Inc., (LWA) to conduct the 2000/2001 NPDES Stormwater Monitoring Program for an amount not to exceed \$477,778. The City's share will be \$162,500.

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**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:** October 16, 2001



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## **SUMMARY**

This report requests City Council authorization for sharing of consultant costs for the 2000/2001 NPDES Stormwater Monitoring Program. Under the terms of the master Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Permittees (the County of Sacramento and the Cities of Sacramento, Folsom, and Galt) for the NPDES Stormwater Management Program, the City's share will be \$162,500

## **COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION**

None

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

On May 3, 1996, the Regional Water Quality Control Board - Central Valley Region reissued an NPDES permit (Permit No. CA0082597) to the County of Sacramento and the Cities of Sacramento, Folsom, and Galt (Permittees) regulating the discharge of stormwater to local receiving waters. The NPDES permit requires the Permittees develop and implement programs to reduce pollution caused by stormwater runoff and to conduct a stormwater monitoring program.

On October 6, 1992, the City entered into a master MOU with the County of Sacramento and the Cities of Folsom, and Galt for work related to the NPDES Stormwater Management Program (Resolution 92-732). The master MOU includes administrative procedures for sharing of work products and apportionment of program costs, which includes the Monitoring Program. The Monitoring Program, which is critical to the success of the Stormwater Management Program, was developed to provide extensive monitoring of stormwater discharges, address information needs, and provide data/analysis to support informed management decision making.

Based on the results of the first nine years of the Monitoring Program, the water quality characteristics of the American and Sacramento Rivers consistently meet the relevant water quality criteria. However, pesticides, copper, lead, mercury, and fecal coliform have been identified in Sacramento area urban runoff at levels and frequencies that may be contributing to intermittent impacts in creeks and rivers.

The main goals of the 2000/2001 Monitoring Program are as follows:

- evaluate the effectiveness of stormwater pollution control measures and programs,
- identify source and methods of reducing pollutants of concern,
- comply with NPDES permit monitoring requirements.

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A significant portion of the Monitoring Program is accomplished through an annual Consultant Services Agreement. Consultant services include development of sampling plans, technical assistance, chemical analysis, and preparation of reports. This Consultant Services Agreement does not include river monitoring, which is accomplished through a separate MOU (Resolution 94-245) with the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District and the County of Sacramento Water Resources Division.

LWA was selected for the 1998/1999 Monitoring Program through a Request for Proposals process conducted by the County of Sacramento, with City staff participation. The key factor in selecting LWA was their demonstrated experience conducting the Monitoring Program in previous years. The selection process included the option for amendments to extend the contract for up to two additional years. Permittee staff recommended LWA conduct the 2000/2001 Monitoring Program. On October 17, 2000, the County Board of Supervisors approved a contract amendment with LWA to include the 2000/2001 Monitoring Program.

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

The cost for the Consultant Services Agreement is \$477,778. The City's share is \$162,500 and will be funded in the Storm Drainage Capital Improvement Program, Discharge Monitoring American/Sacramento Rivers Project (425-500-WC66-4802), which has an unobligated balance of \$273,000 as of September 13, 2001.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

This project is not subject to CEQA review, because it is an information collection activity as part of an ongoing water quality study. There will be no environmental impacts associated with collection and analysis of water quality samples.

#### **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

The NPDES Stormwater Monitoring Program is a federally mandated program. The main objectives of the program are to evaluate the impacts of stormwater runoff on receiving waters, identify stormwater runoff pollutants and their sources, and collect information for use in engineering decisions for selection of appropriate pollution control measures and evaluation of the effectiveness of stormwater pollution control programs.

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**ESBD CONSIDERATIONS:**

Larry Walker Associates, Inc., (LWA) was selected to provide consultant services for the 2000/2001 NPDES Stormwater Monitoring Program through the County of Sacramento. LWA is certified as an Emerging Business Enterprise.

Respectfully submitted,



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Gary A. Reents  
Engineering Services Manager

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



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Robert P. Thomas  
City Manager

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James G. Sequeira  
Director of Utilities

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-675**

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COST SHARING WITH THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO AND THE CITIES OF FOLSOM AND GALT FOR THE 2000/2001 NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) STORMWATER MONITORING PROGRAM (PN:WC66)**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL THAT:

In accordance with the master Memorandum of Understanding 92-732 with the County of Sacramento and the Cities of Folsom and Galt, the City agrees to reimburse the County of Sacramento for the City's share of consultant services provided by Larry Walker Associates, Inc., to implement the 2000/2001 NPDES Stormwater Monitoring Program, for a cost to the City not to exceed \$162,500.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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