

Engineering, Operations, & Technology Committee

Wadsworth Pump Plant Bypass Pipeline Valve Installation

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Subject

Authorize an increase of \$840,000 in change order authority to an existing contract with Steve P. Rados for the installation of an isolation valve for the Wadsworth Pump Plant Bypass Pipeline

Purpose

This action is part of a series of drought-response projects that are being undertaken to improve the supply reliability for State Water Project dependent member agencies

Recommendation and Fiscal Impact

Metropolitan staff recommends authorizing this increase to change order authority

Fiscal Impact of \$840,000

Budgeted

Location Map



Background

Wadsworth P.P. Bypass planned to be constructed in two stages:

- Stage 1 (Contract Awarded January 2023)
 - Install approx. 600 feet 96-inch pipe
 - Construct valve structure
- Stage 2 (Planned Future Contract)
 - Install 84-inch Metropolitan furnished butterfly valve
 - Valve expected to be long-lead item with lengthy fabrication schedule

Wadsworth Pump Plant Bypass Pipeline



A Section of the Bypass Pipeline Being Installed

Contractor Scope - Stage 1

- Contract awarded to Steve P. Rados Jan. 2023
- Contract Amount \$14,820,500
- Contract Scope
 - Install approx. 600 feet 96-inch pipe
 - Encase pipeline in concrete
 - Construct valve structure
 - Restore access roads & parking area
- Construction is approx. 85% complete
 - Contractor experiencing delays in procuring long-lead time electrical equipment
 - Expected completion date is July 2025



MWD Valve Inspection

Background - Valve Procurement

- Awarded procurement contract to Sojitz
 Machinery Corporation of America Aug 2022
- Contract Amount \$5,647,405
- Contract Scope
 - Fabricate three 84-inch butterfly valves
 - One valve will be used at Wadsworth P.P.
 Bypass Pipeline
- Fabrication is complete
 - Valves delivered July 2024

Opportunity for Beneficial Change Order

- Utilizing existing contract offers an opportunity to negotiate a favorable contract for Stage 2 work
 - Contractor is mobilized onsite
 - Work is similar in nature to Stage 1 work
 - Eliminates the need to prepare, advertise & award a second contract
 - Will allow completion of Stage 2 work one year ahead of schedule
 - Valve will be installed in Feb 2025
 - Eliminates additional shutdown in 2026

Change Order Authority Limits

- Change order authority determined by Admin. Code (Section 8123)
 - GM authority to execute change orders is the greater of:
 - 5% of the original contract amount
 - \$250,000
- \$741,025 for this contract



Scope of Work - Contractor

- Install 84-inch diameter isolation valve
 - Relocate the operator & card reader from the Wadsworth Pump Plant automated security gate
 - Furnish & install a programmable logic controller
 - Install anodes inside the Eastside Pipeline
- Amount of Contract \$14,820,500
- Maximum Change Order Authority \$741,025
- Executed Change Orders \$347,000
- Recommended Increase \$840,000
- New Maximum Change Order Authority \$1,581,025

Scope of Work - Metropolitan

- Shutdown of the feeder & establishment of clearances
- Final disinfection & water quality testing
- Return of pipeline to service
- Construction inspection & technical support



Pipe Installation by Contractor

Alternatives Considered

- Staff considered adding re-lining of Eastside Pipeline to the proposed change order
 - Deterioration of a 1,100-foot reach of the Eastside Pipeline discovered while interconnecting the Wadsworth P.P. Bypass
 - 30-year-old epoxy lining is nearing the end of its service life
 - Steel pipe is experiencing light rust
- Selected Alternative Initiate new capital project next biennium
 - Considers relative priority of lining work & urgency
 - In the interim, 60 sacrificial anodes will be installed as part of contract to limit corrosion

Allocation of Funds

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Construction Support		
Owner Costs (Proj. Mgmt., Contract Admin., Envir. Support)	\$	121,000
Construction Inspection & Support		373,000
Force Construction		429,000
Submittals Review, Tech. Support, Record Dwgs.		69,000
Contracts		
Steve P. Rados		840,000
Remaining Budget		68,000
Total	Ċ	1 000 000

Total \$ 1,900,000

Project Schedule



Board Options

Option #1

Authorize an increase of \$840,000 in change order authority for a new maximum change order authority of \$1,581,025 to an existing contract with Steve P. Rados for the installation of an isolation valve at the Wadsworth Pumping Plant Bypass Pipeline.

Option #2
 Do not authorize the increase in change order authority at this time.

Staff Recommendation

Option #1

