



Form 11 – Approval of a Contract with Jacobs Engineering to provide on-call services to support implementation of the Riverside County Integrated Project (RCIP).

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**BACKGROUND:** (Continued)

of the RCIP consultant team would be valuable as we proceed with implementation. Additionally the consultants will be involved in defense of the ongoing litigation on the General Plan and MSHCP.

The on-call services contract with Jacobs allows the County and RCTC to utilize the consultant team members as necessary without doing individual contracts with each consultant firm. Jacobs will not charge an overhead component under this contract but will be one of the firms providing on-call services.

The collective experience of the team members in how the RCIP and its individual elements are structured and the background and history of the plan's development are the essential elements that we are contracting for. No other firms possess this history. We therefore recommend that this contract be awarded without seeking bids from other firms.

The use of these services will be limited. County Departments, RCTC and the Regional Conservation Authority (RCA) needing these services will budget for them under professional services. TLMA will continue to administer the master contract.