

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: TLMA - Transportation Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
August 16, 2004

SUBJECT: Engineering and Environmental Services Agreement to prepare documents necessary to widen and improve Winchester Road (SR-79) from Thompson Road to Domenigoni Parkway to four lanes.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board approve the attached Engineering and Environmental Services Agreement between the County of Riverside and CH2M Hill Inc., and authorize the Chairman to execute same.

BACKGROUND:

Growth and development within the French Valley area, has resulted in a significant traffic demand on Winchester Road (SR-79) from Thompson Road to Domenigoni Parkway. During peak hours, the highway experiences significant congestion and roadway capacity is exceeded. Immediately to the south of the proposed project, Riverside County and the Department of Transportation have initiated several operational improvement projects. Traffic signals have been installed at Willows Avenue, Hunter Road, Auld Road, Benton Road, and Thompson Road. Also, SR-79 will be widened between Hunter Road and Thompson Road, with this work to start later this year. The widening and improvement of Winchester Road (SR-79) from Thompson Road to Domenigoni Parkway is a northerly extension of the work currently in progress and is needed in order to accommodate the projected traffic growth and to reduce environmental impact.

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Director of Transportation

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 2,442,626.62	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2004/05

SOURCE OF FUNDS: TUMF funds from RCTC, 3 rd District Development Agreement funds - Public Facilities, Southwest RBBB funds	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

James L. Pugh

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

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Departmental Concurrence

- Dept't Recomm.: Consent Policy
- Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | District: 3 | Agenda Number:

**ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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Honorable Board of Supervisors

Engineering and Environmental Services Agreement to prepare documents necessary to widen Winchester Road (SR-79) from Thompson Road to Domenigoni Parkway to four lanes, including the introduction of turning lanes at various intersections.

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The Winchester Road (SR-79), Thompson Road to Domenigoni Parkway widening project has been designated to receive approximately \$20 million in Federal Funds (STIP) towards the estimated project cost of \$37 million. The Riverside County Transportation Department is in the process of identifying sources for the remaining construction costs and have submitted a funding request for \$15 million to RCTC as part of the recent TUMF call for projects. In order to expedite project design, a consulting firm is to be engaged utilizing \$1 million from the 3rd District Development Agreement Fund, \$1 million RCTC match (TUMF), and the balance from the Southwest RBBB Fund.

A request for proposals was advertised in the Press Enterprise and the Desert Sun. Eighteen firms submitted qualifications. Representatives from Caltrans, and the Riverside County Transportation Department evaluated the written proposals and interviewed the nine top ranked firms.

CH2M Hill Inc. was selected as the top ranked firm to provide the needed services, and a not to exceed fee of \$2,442,626.62 (including contingency) was negotiated between CH2M Hill Inc. and the Riverside County Transportation Department. The project scope includes preparation of a Project Report; environmental document; final Plans Specifications and Estimates (PS&E); and construction support services. These documents will need to be reviewed and approved by Caltrans and Federal Highway Administration.

State Route 79: Thompson Rd to Domenigoni Parkway

