

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Redevelopment Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:
June 30, 2010

SUBJECT: Approval of Mesa Verde Blythe Airport Water System Improvements – Specification D

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Directors:

1. Make the following findings in accordance with Section 33445 of the Health and Safety Code:
 - a. The construction of the Mesa Verde Blythe Airport Water System Improvements – Specification D is of benefit to the Blythe Redevelopment Project Area by helping eliminate blight within the Project Area by constructing necessary fire flow and domestic water infrastructure;
 - b. No other reasonable means of financing the cost of the Project are because current economic conditions are such that general County revenues are insufficient to provide such facilities;
 - c. The payment of funds for the cost of the Project is consistent with the Implementation Plan for the Project Area is necessary to effectuate the purpose of the Project Area's Redevelopment Plan, which calls for construction of infrastructure improvements.

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Robert Field
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Executive Director

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2010/11

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA: Yes

SOURCE OF FUNDS: City of Blythe-County RDA Funds	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

Jennifer L. Sargent
BY: Jennifer L. Sargent

County Executive Office Signature Jennifer L. Sargent

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 3.9 of 5/17/005

District: 4

Agenda Number:

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FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

BY: *Marsha L. Victor* 7/1/10 DATE
MARSHA L. VICTOR

Departmental Concurrence

Consent
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 Dep't Recomm.:
 Per Exec. Ofc.:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: (Continued)

2. Approve the Plans and Specifications for the construction of Mesa Verde Water System Improvements - Specification D; and
3. Authorize the Clerk of the Board to Advertise the Notice Inviting Bids for the Project.

BACKGROUND:

This Project is the final Phase for the comprehensive system that has included the well on the north side of Interstate 10, a storage tank, new waterlines on the south side of Interstate 10, and new pipelines to convey the water from the new well to the system on the south side of Interstate 10. The Phase One was the installation of new waterlines on the south side of Interstate 10. The Phase Two was the installation of a new well. The Phase Three was the construction of the pipeline to carry the water from the well to the Mesa Verde community.

The engineers along with Agency staff have determined that it was prudent that the County complete a loop to the water system, formerly owned by the City of Blythe, which provides an emergency back-up system to the Mesa Verde Water System. Phase Four was the construction of the section of pipeline that provides the completion of the loop. This final Phase includes the development of a water treatment plant, installation of a well pump, and the construction of ancillary improvements needed to complete the Project.

The complete Project was conceived in 2002 and has proceeded in Phases as funding has become available. The funding for the waterlines on the south side of Interstate 10 was provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Rural Utility Funds. Funding for the new well was provided by the joint County-City of Blythe Redevelopment Project Area.

In the early planning of this Project, a Mitigated Negative Declaration was adopted in accordance with CEQA regulations for the Project in its entirety (Board of Supervisors May 17, 2005, Item 3.9). Funding for this Phase of the Project will be provided by the joint County-City of Blythe Redevelopment Project Area. The full cost of the Project will be known once bids have been received, but the Engineer's estimate is \$6.75 Million for the Project. County Counsel has reviewed and approved the bid and Construction Specifications documents. Staff recommends that the Board approve the Plans and Specifications and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise for Notice Inviting Bids.