# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



13.2 (MT 20499)

On motion of Director Spiegel, seconded by Director Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the recommendation from Regional Park and Open-Space District regarding the Approval of Professional Service Agreement with Jess Ranch Trout Farm, Inc. for Live Rainbow Trout Stocking Services for Lake Skinner, Lake Cahuilla, and Rancho Jurupa Regional Parks without seeking competitive bids for one year; CEQA Nothing Further Required; Districts 2, 3, and 5, is deleted.

Roll Call:

Ayes:

Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an order made and entered on November 29, 2022, of Supervisors Minutes.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Directors

Dated: November 29, 2022

Kecia R. Harper, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in and for the County of Riverside, State of California.

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Deputy

AGENDA NO

13.2

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



ITEM: 13.2 (ID # 20499) MEETING DATE: Tuesday, November 29, 2022

FROM: Regional Parks and Open Space District:

**SUBJECT:** REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN-SPACE DISTRICT: Approval of Professional Service Agreement with Jess Ranch Trout Farm, Inc. for Live Rainbow Trout Stocking Services for Lake Skinner, Lake Cahuilla, and Rancho Jurupa Regional Parks without seeking competitive bids for one year; CEQA Nothing Further Required; Districts 2, 3, and 5. [\$123,750 Total Cost - Park Maintenance and Operations Fund-25400 70%, Lake Skinner Fund-25620 30%] (Clerk to File Notice of Exemption)

#### **RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Directors:

- Find that nothing further is required under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") because the project was previously found to be categorically exempt on January 28, 2021;
- 2. Authorize the attached Sole Source Procurement Request as approved by the Riverside County Purchasing Agent;
- 3. Approve Professional Service Agreement with Jess Ranch Trout Farm for Lake Skinner, Lake Cahuilla, and Rancho Jurupa Regional Campgrounds without seeking competitive bids with a maximum total amount of \$123,750 to June 30, 2023;
- 4. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Directors to execute the same on behalf of the Regional Park and Open-Space District (RivCoParks);
- 5. Authorize the General Manager, or designee, to execute future amendments, make ministerial changes to the Agreement, as approved as to form by County Counsel, and increase compensation no more than ten percent (10%);
- 6. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return four (4) copies of the executed Agreement to RivCoParks; and
- 7. Direct the Clerk of the Board to file the Notice of Exemption within five (5) days of approval by the Board.

**ACTION:Policy** 

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:		Ongoing Cost	
COST	\$ 123,750	\$0	\$ 123,750		\$0	
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$0			\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Operating fund 25400 70% and Lake				Budget Adjustment:		No
Skinner Fund 25620 30%				For Fiscal Year:		22/23

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

#### **BACKGROUND:**

#### Summary

Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District ("RivCoParks") has contracted for services to stock live Rainbow Trout at Lake Skinner, Lake Cahuilla, and Rancho Jurupa regional parks. RivCoParks contracts for this service due to the unique need to supply fish at recreational lakes within RivCoParks' service area. RivCoParks serves over 45,000 anglers annually. To meet the needs of lake users, this service includes delivering and unloading approximately 21,000 pounds, yearly, of sterile Rainbow Trout to supplement scheduled state stocks.

On January 26, 2021 by Minute Order 13.1, a 5 (five) year contract was awarded to Calaveras Trout Farm (Calaveras) to stock the aforementioned trout. Calaveras, however, has been adversely affected by drought conditions and is unable to provide trout this year. Jess Ranch Fish Hatchery is the only other local fishery able to provide the triploid (sterile) trout needed to stock lakes across Riverside County. RivCoParks finds that the proposed price of \$6.25 per pound is reasonable, based on previous contracts and the current consumer price index. A Sole Source Request has been prepared.

#### **CEQA CONSIDERATIONS**

This Project was previously found to be categorically exempt, and a Notice of Exemption was filed citing exemptions:15301 Existing Facilities - Applies to the operation, maintenance, and minor alteration of public facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Subsection U) including fish stocking by the California Department of Fish and Game. The three lakes at Rancho Jurupa Park, Lake Skinner and Lake Cahuilla have been stocked annually for the duration of the Park's operations. Additionally, the Department of Fish & Wildlife approval of fish importation and private fish stocking are exempt under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 757. The multiple exemptions for fishing stocking demonstrate that fishing stocking is an activity that would not generally be likely to have a significant impact on the environment, and the actions would be undertaken for the project in the same manner as they would be done by the Department of Fish & Wildlife, with no different or greater possibility of significant impacts., Section 15323: Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings, and Section 15061(b)(3), General Rule "Common Sense" Exemption: If it can be seen with certainty that

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there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. Nothing further is required.

#### **Impact on Citizens and Businesses**

This Agreement will allow RivCoParks to provide residents and visitors of Riverside County with adequate fishing opportunities and supply. Fishing connects people with nature and allows them to develop skills for self-reliance. Benefits of fishing extend to physical and mental wellbeing and promotes family bonding while fostering community awareness and care for urban waterways.

## **Attachments**

Sole Source Justification Professional Services Agreement Notice of Exemption

na Hisckley, Assistant Director of Purchalting and Fleet Service

Jason Farin Principal Management Analyst 11/21/2022

Kristine Bell-Valdez, Kristine Bell-Valdez, Supervising Deputy County County

11/14/2022