

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Staff Presentation Worksheet

Presentation Date: July 26, 2011 Time: 1:45 p.m. Length: 15 minutes

Presentation Title: Fire Management Planning Amendment

Department: North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District

Presenters: Gary Barth, Katie Dunham

POLICY QUESTION

Should the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD) amend the Trout Mountain contract for Fire Management Planning?

ISSUE & BACKGROUND

Clackamas County awarded NCPRD \$125,000 in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2009-2010 Title III funding to develop Fire Management Plans and begin implementation of those plans.

NCPRD and Clackamas County Parks (CCP) are using this funding to create fire management plans and implement recommendations to reduce the potential for wildfires within parks. NCPRD has involved partners on the planning committee. The project will be completed in phases following the objectives and strategies in the following four topic areas: wildfire risk assessment, emergency operations, implementation, and education and outreach.

NCPRD hired Trout Mountain Forestry and MIG, Inc. to assist with the project. The project team has completed a majority of the work outlined in the original \$137,820 contract. Phase one of the original contract, Park Inventory and Prioritization, is complete. Work in this phase also included field visits and mapping, two Technical Advisory Group (TAG) meetings, development and maintenance of the project website, and project coordination. Phase Two, Fire Management Planning, is nearly complete. This phase includes work within 23 priority parks, including field studies, detailed analysis and mapping, a Desired Future Conditions Workshop, and a third technical memo that describes proposed short term fire risk reduction concepts. Please see the attached project fliers.

Clackamas County has awarded NCPRD an additional \$550,000 in Title III funding for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 FFY to complete Fire Management Planning for an additional 38 parks and begin implementation of plans within the parks. The contract includes consultant costs, administration costs, materials and supplies, and monitoring. NCPRD has received a proposal from Trout Mountain Forestry in the amount of \$189,955, to amend the contract and include fire management plans for an additional 38 parks. The draft memo outlining the proposed scope is attached. The additional work

includes public outreach, data gathering, consultant and team field visits, invasive species and fire management mapping for 23 parks, two additional TAG Meetings, 38 Incident Plans, enhanced Park Natural Resource and Wildfire Management Action Plans, project inspection & management, interpretive signage design, and website management. The remaining NCPRD Title III funds will be used for implementation of the fire management plans and will be managed under a separate future contract.

Trout Mountain Forestry and MIG have experience working with other local park providers developing fire management plans, including the City of Portland, and were the most qualified applicants when NCPRD originally requested proposals in 2010. They have experience in developing fire management plans, managing implementation of plans, and monitoring changes within the landscape.

QUESTION(S) PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION

Will the BCC accept the proposed Trout Mountain contract for Fire Management Planning?

OPTIONS AVAILABLE

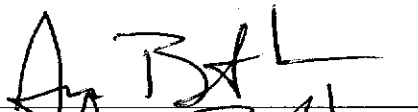
- Approve the amendment to the contract with Trout Mountain Forestry for wildfire management planning and related implementation activities for NCPRD and CCP.
- Approve a modified amendment to the contract
- Do not approve the amendment to the contract

RECOMMENDATIONS

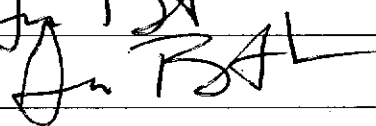
Staff recommends that the BCC approve an amendment not to exceed an additional \$189,955 amendment to the contract with Trout Mountain Forestry for wildfire management planning and related implementation activities for NCPRD and Clackamas County Parks. The total amended contract will be \$327,775. The contract will be submitted on the BCC Business Meeting agenda as a consent item.

SUBMITTED BY:

Division Director/Head Approval



Department Director/ Head Approval



County Administrator Approval _____

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