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**Subject: Angora Burn Area Tree Identification and Removal Agreement  
with Sierra Pacific Industries.**

Honorable Board Members:

Title

Environmental Management Department recommends the Board authorize the Chair to sign an agreement with Sierra Pacific Industries for the identification and removal of hazardous trees with the Angora Fire Burn area.

Background

At the July 31, 2007 Board of Supervisors meeting the Board appropriated \$1.5 million dollars of County contingency funds to assist in the identification and removal of hazardous trees within the effected Angora Fire Burn area. Following this action the Environmental Management Department proceeded with a request for informal bids to determine qualified vendors to assist with the project. Environmental Management received 10 responses to the informal bid request. Sierra Pacific Industries (SPI) informal bid response was a zero cost to the County should SPI be granted the entire project work area. This informal bid response results in approximately \$1.5 million dollars savings in the General Fund contingency.

Reason for Recommendation

On August 10, 2007 the Environmental Management Department issued a Request for Proposals for the identification and removal of trees in the Angora Fire burn area with proposals due on August 15, 2007.

The Department received ten bid proposals as follows:

Company Name	Zone A	Zone B	Zone C	Total
Sierra Pacific Industries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000
Arrowhead Enterprises, Inc.	\$198,000	\$595,000	\$401,000	\$1,194,000

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Macauley Construction	\$316,000	\$474,000	\$474,000	\$1,264,000
Arens Brothers Enterprises, Inc.	\$350,000	\$475,000	\$450,000	\$1,275,000
Kurt Ault - Ault Logging	\$260,000	\$582,000	\$613,000	\$1,455,000
West Coast Timber	\$485,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$1,485,000
AJ Acosta Co. Inc.	\$682,400	\$1,496,000	\$1,428,700	\$3,607,100
SCS Timber Resources	\$731,200	\$1,611,000	\$1,492,000	\$3,834,200
Sam Watson and Son Tree Svcs	\$572,000	\$2,126,800	\$1,331,200	\$4,030,000
Phillips and Jordan, Inc.	\$1,113,300	\$1,915,141	\$1,504,280	\$4,532,721

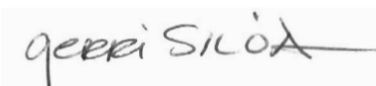
Sierra Pacific Industries (SPI) informal bid response was a zero cost to the County. The \$100,000 amount indicated represents the total amount of the agreement should extraordinary services be required if and when the following conditions cannot be met:

- The timber can be felled using conventional hand felling methods. This includes the use of wedges and falling jacks to directionally fell trees away from improvements.
- The logs can be removed from the premises using conventional forestry equipment such as rubber tired skidders and front end loaders.
- Slash from the operation will be chipped and left on site.

While it is difficult to calculate the total cost of the extraordinary services to be required under this contract, SPI has acknowledged that the cost of such extraordinary services may exceed \$100,000. SPI has agreed to assume all risks of such costs in excess of \$100,000 and will not seek compensation from the County or the individual property owners in the event costs exceed \$100,000.

After reviewing the bid received from SPI, the Department determined that the bid was responsive. There were no irregularities in the bids. The agreement has been approved by County Counsel and the Risk Management Department.

Respectively,



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 Environmental Management Department