



# COUNTY OF EL DORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into by and between the COUNTY OF EL DORADO, a political subdivision of the State of California, acting through the governing body or board thereof (hereinafter referred to as "County"), and DOUG VEERKAMP GENERAL ENGINEERING, INC. CONTRACTOR., duly qualified to conduct business in the State of California, whose principal place of business is (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor");

### RECITALS

WHEREAS, Contractor has duly submitted a bid proposal for the captioned project upon which County has awarded this contract;

That for and in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants, agreements, and conditions herein contained, the parties hereto agree with each other as follows:

#### 1. Contract Documents

The complete Agreement between the parties consists of and is set forth in the Contract Documents. The Contract Documents consist of: (a) the Notice to Bidders; (b) the bid forms which include the accepted Proposal, Bid Price Schedule and Total Bid, Subcontractor List, Section 10285.1 Statement, Section 10162 Questionnaire, Section 10232 Statement, California Levine Act Statement, Noncollusion Affidavit, the Contract which includes this Agreement with all Exhibits thereto, including, the Bidders' Bond, Performance Bond, and Payment Bond; (c) the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Standard Plans 2023, and Standard Specifications 2023, the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), and standard drawings from the Design and Improvement Standards Manual of the County of El Dorado, revised March 8, 1994 including Resolution 199-91 and Resolution 58-94 to adopt changes to the Design and Improvement Standards Manual; (d) all Addenda incorporated in those documents before their execution, and all Contract Change Orders issued in accordance with the Contract Documents which may be delivered or issued after the Effective Date of this Agreement and are not attached hereto; (e) the prevailing Labor Surcharge And Equipment Rental Rates (when required) as determined by Caltrans to be in effect on the date the Work is accomplished; (f) executed Certificate of Insurance forms; (g) an executed Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 or County Payee Data Record Form, whichever is applicable; (h) all the obligations of County and of Contractor which are fully set forth and described therein; and all Contract Documents which are hereby specifically referred to and by such reference made a part hereof. All Contract Documents are intended to cooperate so that any work called for in one and not mentioned in the other is to be executed the same as if mentioned in all Contract Documents. Contractor agrees to perform all of its promises, covenants, and conditions set forth in the Contract Documents, and to abide by and perform all terms and conditions set forth therein. In case of conflict between this Agreement and any other contract document, this Agreement shall take precedence. In case of conflict between any contract documents other than this Agreement, the documents shall take precedence in the order identified above, beginning with (a) and ending with (h).

#### 2. Execution of Contract

The successful Bidder must sign the *Agreement*.

Deliver to Office Engineer:

- 1) Two Original Signed *Agreements*
- 2) Contract Bonds
- 3) Documents identified in Article 1
- 4) Documents identified in the Notice of Award letter.
- 5) Current CARB Certificates for any applicable fleet intended to be used by the Contractor and for any applicable fleet intended to be used by all subcontractors.

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Office Engineer must receive these documents within 5 business days of the date of the Notice of Award of Contract letter.

The Department does not provide hard copies of the Contract Documents, including the Project Plans to the successful bidder.

**3. The Work**

Contractor is engaged in the business of doing the services and tasks required by this Agreement. Contractor agrees to furnish, at Contractor's own cost and expense, all tools, equipment, vehicles, apparatus, facilities, labor, materials, supplies, and all utility and transportation services to perform and complete in a good and workmanlike manner, furnished, and installed, and complete and ready for use. Services shall include, but not limited to, those tasks as identified in Exhibit B, marked "Project Scope and Specifications," incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof.

Contractor shall perform the Work in accordance with all the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents and in a safe, professional, skillful, and workmanlike manner. Contractor is responsible for ensuring that its employees, as well as any subcontractor if applicable, perform the services and tasks required under this Agreement accordingly.

**4. Shoring Plan**

Excavation for any trench five (5) feet or more in depth shall not begin until Contractor has received approval from the Contract Administrator of Contractor's detailed shoring plan for worker protection from the hazards of caving ground during the excavation of that trench, and any design calculations used in the preparation of the detailed plan. The detailed plan shall show the details of the design of shoring, bracing, sloping or other provisions to be made for worker protection during the excavation. No plan shall allow the use of shoring, sloping or a protective system less effective than that required by the Construction Safety Orders of the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health. If the plan complies with the shoring system standards established by the Construction Safety Orders, the plan shall be submitted at least two (2) days before Contractor intends to begin excavation for the trench. If the plan varies from the shoring system standards established by the Construction Safety Orders, the plan shall be prepared and signed by an engineer who is registered as a Civil Engineer in the State of California, and the plan and design calculations shall be submitted at least one (1) week before Contractor intends to begin excavation for the trench. Nothing in this Article shall be deemed to allow the use of a shoring, sloping or protective system less effective than that required by the Construction Safety Orders. Payment for Bid Item #1, "Excavation Safety" includes payment for all work associated with and required by the Shoring Plan, Shoring installation / removal, and trench plates as needed to provide safe access for the workers, public, and motorists.

**5. Location of Work**

Said work is to be performed as described in Exhibits A, B, and C, at and adjacent to 4291 Patterson Drive in Diamond Springs, CA.

**6. Contract Price**

All bids will be compared on the basis of the Proposal Pay Items and Bid Price Schedule of the quantities of work to be done. The award of Contract, if it will be awarded, will be to the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder whose proposal complies with all the requirements prescribed. The lowest responsive, responsible Bidder will be the Bidder submitting the lowest total of all the bid items. In the event of a discrepancy between the unit price bid and the extended unit total as stated on the Proposal, the County uses the amount bid for the unit price in calculating the additive total of the bid items for purposes of award, including revisions by Addenda, and as specified in the Proposal instructions.

County hereby promises and agrees with said Contractor to employ, and does hereby employ, said Contractor to provide the material and to do the Work according to the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents herein contained and referred to, for the prices hereinafter set forth, and hereby contracts to pay the same at the time, in the manner and upon the conditions herein set forth; and the said parties for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, do hereby agree to the full performance of the covenants herein contained.

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County shall pay Contractor for the completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents in current funds the Contract Prices named in Contractor's Bid and Bid Price Schedule, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**7. Time of Completion**

Time is of the essence, the Work under the Contract shall be completed within TEN (10) Working Days from the date specified in the official Notice to Proceed, unless an extension of time or suspension of Work is authorized in writing in accordance with a Contract Change Order. The contract working days begin on the date stated in the Notice to Proceed. The County will issue Notice to Proceed after Contract approval. Contract working hours are between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The County may suspend Work due to inclement weather. During the suspension, the County pays for winterization costs or costs associated with water pollution control within the County's project area, as applicable. The County pays for any other Contract Work required to be performed within the County's Project area during the suspension under Exhibit B – Project Scope and Specifications.

County and Contractor recognize that time is of the essence of the Agreement and that County will suffer financial loss if the Work is not completed within the time specified in the Notice to Bidders annexed hereto, and stated above plus any extensions thereof. They also recognize the delays, expense, and difficulties involved with proving in a legal proceeding the actual loss suffered by County if the Work is not completed on time. Accordingly, instead of requiring any such proof, County and Contractor agree that as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty) Contractor shall pay County the sum of **TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,800)**, as liquidated damages and not as a penalty, for each and every calendar days delay in finishing the Work in excess of the Contract time prescribed herein.

**8. Measurement and Payment**

**Payment**

The Department pays you for furnishing the resources and activities required to complete the work. The Department's payment is full compensation for furnishing the resources and activities, including:

1. Risk, loss, damage repair, or cost of whatever character arising from or relating to the work and performance of the work
2. PLACs and taxes
3. Any royalties and costs arising from patents, trademarks, and copyrights involved in the work

The Department does not pay for your loss, damage, repair, or extra costs of whatever character arising from or relating to the work that is a direct or indirect result of your choice of construction methods, materials, equipment, or manpower, unless specifically mandated by the Contract. Payment is:

1. Full compensation for all work involved in each bid item shown on the Bid Item List by the unit of measure shown for that bid item
2. For the price bid for each bid item shown on the Bid Item List or as changed by change order with a specified price adjustment

Full compensation for work specified in the Contract Documents is included in the payment for the bid items involved unless:

1. Bid item for the work is shown on the Bid Item List
2. Work is specified as change order work

Work paid for under one bid item is not paid for under any other bid item. Payment for a bid item includes payment for all work associated with that bid item.

No payment adjustments for price index fluctuations will be allowed.

The Department pays for change order work based on one or a combination of the following:

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1. Bid item prices
  2. Force account
  3. Agreed price
  4. Specialist billing

If the Engineer chooses to pay for change order work based on an agreed price, but you and the Engineer cannot agree on the price, the Department pays by force account. If a portion of extra work is covered by bid items, the Department pays for this work as changed quantities in those items. The Department pays for the remaining portion of the extra work by force account or agreed price.

Pay your subcontractors within 7 days of receipt of each progress payment unless otherwise agreed to in writing under Bus & Prof Code §7108.5.

### **Changed Quantity Payment Adjustments**

If the total bid item quantity exceeds 125 percent of the quantity shown on the Bid Item List and if no approved Change Order addresses payment for the quantity exceeding 125 percent, the Engineer may adjust the unit price for the excess quantity under force account or the following:

1. The adjustment is the difference between the unit price and the unit cost of the total item pay quantity.
2. In determining the unit cost, the Engineer excludes the item's fixed costs. You have recovered the fixed costs in the payment for 125 percent shown on the Bid Item List.
3. After excluding fixed costs, the Engineer determines the item unit cost under force account.

If the payment for the number of units of a bid item in excess of 125 percent of the Bid Item List is less than \$5,000 at the unit price, the Engineer may not adjust the unit price unless you request it.

If the total item pay quantity is less than 75 percent of the quantity shown on the Bid Item List and if no approved Change Order addresses payment for the quantity less than 75 percent, you may request a unit price adjustment. The Engineer may adjust the unit price for the decreased quantity under force account or the following:

1. The adjustment is the difference between the unit price and the unit cost of the total pay quantity.
2. In determining the unit cost, the Engineer includes the item's fixed costs.
3. After including fixed costs, the Engineer determines the item unit cost under force account.

The Department does not pay more than 75 percent of the item total in the Bid Item List.

### **Force Account**

For work paid by force account, the Engineer compares the County's records to your daily force-account work report. When you and the Engineer agree on the contents of the daily force-account work reports, the Engineer accepts the report and the County pays for the work. If the records differ, the County pays for the work based only on the information shown on the Department's records.

If a subcontractor performs work at force account, accept an additional 10 percent markup to the total cost of that work paid at force account, including markups, as reimbursement for additional administrative costs. The markups specified for labor, materials, and equipment includes compensation for all delay costs, overhead costs, and profit.

If an item's unit price is adjusted for work-character changes, the County excludes your cost of determining the adjustment.

Payment for owner-operated labor and equipment is made at the market-priced invoice submitted.

### **Progress Payments**

The County pays you based on Engineer-prepared monthly progress estimates. Each estimate reflects:

1. Total work completed during the pay period

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2. Change order bills if:
    - 2.1. Submitted by the 15th day of a month
    - 2.2. Approved by the 20th day of a month
  3. Amount for materials on hand
  4. Amount earned for mobilization
  5. Deductions
  6. Withholds
  7. Resolved potential claims
  8. Payment adjustments

Submit certification stating the work complies with the QC procedures. The Engineer does not process a progress estimate without a signed certification.

The Department will make any progress payment within 30 days after receipt of an undisputed and properly submitted payment request from a contractor on a construction contract. If the Department fails to pay promptly, the Department will pay interest to the contractor, which accrues at the rate of 10 percent per annum on the principal amount of a money judgment remaining unsatisfied. Upon receipt of a payment request, the Department will act in accordance with the following:

1. Each payment request will be reviewed by the Department as soon as practicable after receipt for the purpose of determining that it is a proper payment request.
2. A payment request determined to be a proper and suitable for payment will result in an Engineer-prepared monthly progress estimate.
3. Any payment request determined not to be a proper payment request suitable for payment will be returned to the contractor as soon as practicable, but not later than seven (7) days, after receipt. A request returned pursuant to this paragraph will be accompanied by a document setting forth in writing the reasons why the payment request is not proper."

The prime contractor or subcontractor shall return all monies withheld in retention from all subcontractors within seven (7) days after receiving payment for work satisfactorily completed and accepted including incremental acceptances of portions of the contract work by the Agency. Any delay or postponement of payment may take place only for good cause and with the Agency's prior written approval. Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating prime contractor or subcontractor to the penalties, sanctions, and other remedies specified in Section 7108.5 of the California Business and Professions Code and Section 10262 of the California Public Contract Code. In addition, Federal Regulation (49CFR 26.29) requires you and your subcontractors must return all monies withheld in retention from subcontractors within thirty (30) days after receiving payment for work satisfactorily completed and accepted including incremental acceptances of portions of the contract work by the Department. Any delay or postponement of payment over 30 days may take place only for good cause and with the Department's prior written approval (49CFR26.29). Violation of this section subjects you to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies of Bus and Prof § 7108.5. This section must not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies otherwise available to you and your subcontractors in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by you, deficient subcontract performance, or noncompliance by a subcontractor. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontractors.

Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating prime contractor or subcontractor to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies specified therein. These requirements shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies otherwise available to the prime contractor or subcontractor in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by the prime contractor, deficient subcontract performance, or noncompliance by a subcontractor.

### **Final Payment**

After Contract acceptance, the Department pays you based on the Engineer-prepared estimate that includes withholds and the balance due after the deduction of previous payments.

The Engineer estimates the amount of work completed and shows the amount payable in a proposed final estimate based on:

1. Contract items
2. Payment adjustments

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3. Work paid by force account or agreed price
  4. Extra work
  5. Deductions

Submit either a written acceptance of the proposed final estimate or a claim statement postmarked or hand delivered before the 31st day after receiving the proposed final estimate. If you claim that the proposed final estimate is less than 90 percent of your total bid, the Department adjusts the final payment to cover your overhead. The adjustment is 10 percent of the difference between the total bid and the final estimate. The Department does not make this adjustment on a terminated contract. If you accept the proposed final estimate or do not submit a claim statement within 30 days of receiving the estimate, the Engineer provides you the final estimate and the Department pays the amount due within 30 days.

If you submit a claim statement within 30 days of receiving the Engineer's proposed final estimate, the Engineer provides you a semifinal estimate and the Department pays the amount due within 30 days. The semifinal estimate is conclusive as to the amount of work completed and the amount payable except as affected by any claims.

### **Payment Withholds**

The County may withhold payment for noncompliance.

The County returns the noncompliance withhold in the progress payment following the correction of noncompliance except as specified below. Withholds are not retentions under Pub Cont Code § 7107 and do not accrue interest under Pub Cont Code § 20104.50(b). Withholds are cumulative and independent of deductions. This section does not include all withholds that may be taken; the Department may withhold other payments as specified.

The County withholds 10 percent of a progress payment for noncompliant progress. Noncompliant progress occurs when:

1. Total days to date exceed 75 percent of the contract time
2. Percent of the contract time elapsed exceeds the percent of value of the work completed by more than 15 percent

The Engineer determines the percent of the contract time elapsed by dividing the total days to date by the amount of days remaining and converting the quotient to a percentage.

The Engineer determines the percent value of the work completed by summing payments made to date and the amount due on the current progress estimate, dividing this sum by the current total estimated value of the work, and converting the quotient to a percentage. These amounts are shown on the Pay Estimate.

When the percent of the contract time elapsed minus the percent value of work completed is less than or equal to 15 percent, the County returns the withhold in the next progress payment.

During each estimate period you fail to comply with a Contract part, including the submittal of a document as specified, the County withholds a part of the progress payment except as specified below for the failure to submit a document during the last estimate period. The documents include QC plans, required forms, schedules, traffic control plans, water pollution control submittals, and dust control submittals. If you fail to comply with water pollution control or dust control requirements, the Department withholds part of the progress payment.

For 1 performance failure, the County withholds 25 percent of the progress payment but does not withhold more than 10 percent of the total bid.

For multiple performance failures, the County withholds 100 percent of the progress payment but does not withhold more than 10 percent of the total bid.

During the last estimate period, if you fail to submit a document as specified, the County withholds \$10,000 for each document. The Department returns the withhold within 30 days after receipt of the document.

The Department may withhold payments to cover claims filed under Civ Code §9000 et seq. Stop notice information may be obtained from the Engineer.

Penalties include fines and damages that are proposed, assessed, or levied against you or the County by a governmental agency or private lawsuit. Penalties are also payments made or costs incurred in settling alleged violations of federal, State, or local laws, regulations, requirements, or PLACs. The cost incurred may include the amount spent for mitigation or correcting a violation.

If the County is assessed a penalty, the County may withhold the penalty amount until the penalty disposition has been resolved. The County may withhold penalty amounts without notifying you.

Instead of the withhold, you may provide a bond equal to the highest estimated liability for any disputed penalties proposed except you may not provide a bond for withholds related to labor compliance violations.

**Retentions**

The Department will retain 5% of the value of each progress payment (excluding mobilization payments) from each progress payment. After the Engineer determines that the Project is substantially complete, the Department may, at the Engineer's sole discretion, release half of all retention previously withheld and reduce any subsequent retentions withheld from subsequent progress payments to 2.5% of the value of any subsequent progress payments (excluding mobilization payments). The retained funds will be returned within thirty-five (35) days after recordation of the Notice of Acceptance.

You may elect to receive one hundred percent (100%) of payments due under the Contract from time to time, without retention of any portion of the payment by the County, by depositing securities of equivalent value with the County (Pub Cont Code 22300). Securities eligible for deposit hereunder are limited to those listed in Section 16430 of the Government Code, or bank or savings and loan certificates of deposit.

Funds retained from progress payments to ensure performance of the Contract that are eligible for payment into escrow or to an escrow agent pursuant to Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code do not include funds withheld or deducted from payment due to your failure to fulfill a contract requirement.

You or your subcontractor must return all monies withheld in retention from subcontractors within 30 days after receiving payment of retainage. Violation of this section subjects you to the penalties, sanctions, and other remedies of Bus & Prof Code § 7108.5. This section must not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies otherwise available to you in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by you, deficient subcontract performance, or noncompliance by a subcontractor.

**Measurement**

The Department determines bid item quantities under US customary units. Except for final pay item quantities, the Engineer measures quantities for payment. Measure material quantities for payment with devices that comply with:

- 1. 4 CA Code of Regs § 4000 et seq.
- 2. Bus & Prof Code § 12001 et seq.

The County shows a bid item quantity as a final pay item for payment purposes only. For a final pay item, accept payment based on the Bid Item List quantity, regardless of the actual quantity used unless dimensions are changed by the Engineer.

The Engineer determines the weights of aggregate and other roadway material that are being paid for by weight as shown in the following table and does not include the deducted weight of water in their payment quantities:

<b>Material</b>	<b>Quantity Determination</b>
Aggregate or other roadway material except as otherwise shown in this table	By deducting the weight of water in the material <sup>1a</sup> in excess of 3 percent of the dry weight of the material from the weight of the material
Imported borrow, imported topsoil, AB	By deducting the weight of water in the material <sup>1a</sup> in excess of 6 percent of the dry weight of the material from the weight of the material

Straw	By deducting the weight of water in the material <sup>a</sup> in excess of 15 percent of the dry weight of the material from the weight of the material
Fiber <sup>b</sup>	Engineer does not deduct the weight of water
AB and aggregate for CTBs	By Volume: determined from dimensions shown By Weight: by deducting the weight of water at the time of weighing in excess of the optimum moisture content (CA Test 216) plus 1 percent from the weight of the aggregate base.
NOTE: Percentage of water is determined by California Test 226. <sup>a</sup> At the time of weighing <sup>b</sup> Weight of water in the fiber <sup>a</sup> must not exceed 15 percent of the dry weight of the fiber.	

The County may make a payment adjustment for an excusable delay that affects your costs. Only losses for idle equipment, idle workers, and moving or transporting equipment are eligible for delay related payment adjustments. The Engineer determines payment for idle time of equipment in the same manner as determinations are made for equipment used in the performance of force account work with the following exceptions:

1. Delay factor in the Labor Surcharge and Equipment Rental Rates applies to each equipment rental rate.
2. Daily number of payable hours equals the normal working hours during the delay, not to exceed 8 hours per day.
3. Delay days exclude non-working days.
4. Markups are not added.

The Engineer determines payment adjustment for the idle workers as force account but does not add markups. The Engineer includes costs due to necessary extra moving or transporting of equipment. The Department does not make a payment adjustment for overhead incurred during non-working days of additional construction seasons experienced because of delay.

**9. Performance Bond**

As a part of the execution of this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish a bond of a surety company authorized to do business in the State of California, conditioned upon the faithful performance of all covenants and stipulations under this Agreement. The amount of this bond shall be one hundred percent (100%) of the total Contract Price and shall be executed upon the form provided by County.

**10. Payment Bond**

As a part of the execution of this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish a bond of a surety company authorized to do business in the State of California, conditioned upon the payment in full of all claims for labor and materials in accordance with the provisions of the law of the State of California. The amount of this bond shall be one hundred percent (100%) of the total Contract Price and shall be executed upon the form provided by County.

**11. Notification of Surety Company**

The surety company shall familiarize itself with all of the conditions and provisions of this Agreement, and shall waive the right of special notification of any change or modifications of this Agreement or extension of time, or of decreased or increased work, or of the cancellation of the Agreement, or of any other act or acts by County or its authorized agents, under the terms of this Agreement; and failure to so notify the aforesaid surety company of changes shall in no way relieve the surety company of its obligation under this Agreement.

**12. Assignment of Antitrust Actions**

In entering into a public works Contract or a Subcontract to supply goods, services, or materials pursuant to a public works Contract, the Contractor offers and agrees and will require all of its subcontractors and suppliers to agree to assign to the awarding body all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Sec. 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 16700) of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, services, or materials pursuant to the public works Contract or the subcontract. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the awarding body tenders final payment to Contractor, without further acknowledgment by the parties.



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If an awarding body or public purchasing body receives, either through judgment or settlement, a monetary recovery for a cause of action assigned under Government Code Sections 4550-4554, the assignor shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for actual legal costs incurred and may, upon demand, recover from the public body any portion of the recovery, including treble damages, attributable to overcharges that were paid by the assignor but were not paid by the public body as part of the bid price, less the expenses incurred in obtaining that portion of the recovery. Upon demand in writing by the assignor, the assignee shall, within one year from such demand, reassign the cause of action assigned under Government Code Sections 4550-4554 if the assignor has been or may have been injured by the violation of law for which the cause of action arose and (a) the assignee has not been injured thereby, or (b) the assignee declines to file a court action for the cause of action.

**13. Payment of Prevailing Wages**

Contractor shall pay and require payment of wages according to a scale of prevailing wage rates determined by California law, which scale is on file at County's Community Development Agency, Transportation Division's principal office and shall comply with all applicable wage requirements, as set forth in Labor Code Sections 1770 et seq., 1773.2, 1775, 1776, 1810, and 1813. In accordance with the provisions of Labor Code Section 1810, eight (8) hours of labor shall constitute a legal day's work upon all Work done hereunder, and Contractor and any subcontractor employed under this Contract shall also conform to and be bound by the provisions of Labor Code Sections 1810 through 1815. Interested parties can obtain the current wage information by submitting their requests to the Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, PO Box 420603, San Francisco CA 94142-0603, Telephone (415) 703-4708 or by referring to the website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/PWD>. The rates at the time of the bid advertisement date of a project will remain in effect for the life of the project in accordance with the California Code of Regulations, as modified and effective January 27, 1997.

**14. Apprentices**

Attention is directed to Sections 1777.5, 1777.6 and 1777.7 of the California Labor Code and Title 8, California Code of Regulations Section 200 et seq. To ensure compliance and complete understanding of the law regarding apprentices, and specifically the required ratio thereunder, each Contractor or subcontractor should, where some question exists, contact the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102, or one of its branch offices prior to commencement of work on the public works contract. Responsibility for compliance with this section lies with Contractor.

It is County policy to encourage the employment and training of apprentices on public works contracts as may be permitted under local apprenticeship standards.

**15. Certified Payroll**

As required under the provisions of Labor Code Section 1776, Contractor and any subcontractors shall keep accurate payroll records as follows:

1. The payroll records shall show the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker, or other employee employed by Contractor or subcontractors in connection with this Project.

2. A certified copy of all payroll records enumerated above shall be available for inspection at all reasonable hours at the principal office of Contractor as follows:

- a. Make available or furnish to the employee or his or her authorized representative on request.
- b. Make available for inspection or furnished upon request to a representative of County, the State Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards of the State Department of Industrial Relations.
- c. Make available upon request by the public for inspection or copies thereof made; provided, however, that a request by the public shall be made through either County, the State

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Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, or the State Division of Apprenticeship Standards. The requesting party shall, prior to being provided the records, reimburse the costs of preparation by Contractor, subcontractor, and the entity through which the request was made. The public shall not be given access to the records at the principal office of Contractor.

- d. All contractors and subcontractors must furnish electronic certified payroll records directly to the Department of Industrial Relations.

**16. Registration of Contractors**

No contractor or subcontractor may bid on any public works project, be listed in a bid proposal for any public works project or engage in the performance of any contract for public work unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1.

Contractor shall post job site notices as prescribed by Title 8 of California Code of Regulations Section 16451.

**17. Records Examination and Audit Requirements**

Contractor and its subcontractors, if any are authorized hereunder, shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of the Agreement, including but not limited to, the costs of administering the various aspects of the Agreement. In accordance with Government Code Section 8546.7, all of the above-referenced parties shall make such materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during the contract period and for four (4) years from the date that final payment by County and all other pending matters are closed. Representatives of County, the State Auditor, and any duly authorized representative of other government agencies shall have access to any books, documents, papers, and records that are pertinent to the Agreement for audit, examination, excerpts, and transactions and copies thereof shall be furnished upon request.

**18. Payment of all Federal, State, or Local Taxes**

Any federal, state, or local tax payable on the articles furnished by Contractor under the Agreement shall be included in the Contract Price and paid by Contractor.

**19. Compliance with all Applicable Laws**

Contractor shall conform to and abide by all Federal, State, and local building, labor and safety laws, ordinances, rules and regulations. All Work and materials shall be in full accordance with the latest rules and regulations of the State Fire Marshal, safety orders of the Division of Industrial Safety, California Electrical Code, California Building Code, California Plumbing Code, and any and all other applicable laws and regulations. Nothing in the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the plans and specifications, is to be construed to permit work not conforming to these codes, laws, and regulations.

**20. Nondiscrimination**

- A. County may require Contractor's services on projects involving funding from various state and/or federal agencies, and as a consequence, Contractor shall comply with all applicable nondiscrimination statutes and regulations during the performance of this Agreement including but not limited to the following: Contractor and its employees and representatives shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, age, genetic information, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, or military or veteran status; Contractor shall, unless exempt, comply with the applicable provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code, Sections 12900 et seq.) and applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Sections 11000 et seq.); the applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code, Section 12990, set forth in Subchapter 5 of Chapter 5 of Division 4.1 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full; and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. Contractor and its employees and representatives shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause as required by law.

- B. Where applicable, Contractor shall include these nondiscrimination and compliance provisions in any of its agreements that affect or are related to the services performed herein.
- C. Contractor's signature shall provide any certifications necessary under the federal laws, the laws of the State of California, including but not limited to Government Code Section 12990 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, Section 11002.

21. **Reporting Accidents**

Contractor shall prepare and submit (within 24 hours of such incidents) reports of accidents at the site and anywhere else the work is in progress in which bodily injury is sustained or property loss in excess of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) occurs.

22. **Workers' Compensation**

Contractor shall comply with Labor Code Sections 3700 et seq., requiring it to obtain Workers' Compensation Insurance, and sign a certificate of knowledge thereof.

**CERTIFICATE OF KNOWLEDGE - LABOR CODE SECTION 3700**

I am aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the Labor Code which require every employer to be insured against liability for workers' compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that Code, and I will comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the work of this Agreement.

Signed: Joseph B. Neerbaun Date: 3/25/24

23. **Emissions Reduction**

Contractor shall comply with emission reduction regulations mandated by the California Air Resources Board, and sign a certification of knowledge thereof:

**CERTIFICATE OF KNOWLEDGE – EMISSIONS REDUCTION REGULATIONS**

I am aware of the emissions reduction regulations being mandated by the California Air Resources Board. I will comply with such regulations before commencing the performance of the Work, maintain compliance throughout the duration of this Contract, and provide County a Certificate of Reported Compliance for each company utilized on the Project.

Signed: Joseph B. Neerbaun Date: 3/25/24

24. **Deviation from Plans and Specifications**

No deviation shall be made from the Contract Documents, if any, without the prior written approval of Contract Administrator.

25. **Unity of Plans and Specifications**

The plans and specifications, if any, are one document, and any work shown or mentioned, in one and not in the other, or vice versa, shall be furnished or performed as though mentioned or shown in both.

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26. **Utilities**

At least 48 hours before beginning any Work involving trenching or digging, Contractor shall notify Underground Service Alert (USA) at 811 or at 800-642-2444 with the specifics of the intended Work on the job site. Contractor shall follow and comply with all USA policies and procedures. Contractor shall obtain a USA ticket number and wait for USA to mark the location of underground utilities in conflict with the Project, or for USA to advise Contractor of the absence of underground utilities in the Project area.

As required by Section 4215 of the California Government Code, County will assume responsibility for the removal, relocation, and protection of main or trunk-line utility facilities existing on the Work site, if such facilities are not shown in the Contract Documents, and County shall compensate Contractor for the costs of locating and repairing damage to such facilities not due to the failure of Contractor to exercise reasonable care.

Nothing herein shall be deemed to require County to indicate the presence of existing service laterals or appurtenances whenever the presence of such utilities on the site of the Project can be inferred from the presence of other visible facilities, such as buildings, meter and junction boxes, on or adjacent to the site of the Work.

If Contractor, while performing the Work under the Contract, discovers utility facilities not identified in the Contract Documents, including the plans or specifications, Contractor shall immediately notify County's Contract Administrator or Project Manager. County shall not be liable for Contractor's performance of unauthorized Work.

27. **Pre-Construction Conference**

At the Maintenance Division Office, 2441 Headington Road, Placerville attend a pre-construction conference with key personnel, including all major superintendents for the Work and major subcontractors. The pre-construction conference will be scheduled after the project is awarded and prior to the issuance of the Notice to Proceed. At this conference, submit in writing, signed by the officers of the corporation, if applicable, the names of two employees who will be the superintendents on the project. The second name serves as an alternate in the absence of the first designee. The superintendent must be on the site at all times that Work is in progress.

28. **Notice of Discovery of Hazardous Waste or Unusual Conditions**

- A. Contractor shall promptly, and before the following conditions are disturbed, notify County in writing, in the event Contractor encounters, after excavating to a depth of greater than four (4) feet, any of the following:
1. Material that Contractor believes may be hazardous waste, as defined in section 25117 of the Health and Safety Code, which is required to be removed to a Class I, Class II, or Class III disposal site in accordance with provisions of existing law;
  2. Subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site differing materially from those indicated in the Contract Documents; or
  3. Unknown physical conditions at the site of any unusual nature, differing materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in the Work provided for in the Agreement.
- B. County shall promptly investigate the conditions, and if it finds that the conditions do materially so differ, involve hazardous waste, or cause a decrease or increase in Contractor's cost of or time required for performance of any part of the Work, an adjustment, excluding loss of anticipated profits, will be made and the Contract Documents will be modified by a Change Order. County will notify Contractor of County's determination as to whether or not an adjustment of the Contract Documents is warranted.
- C. In the event a dispute arises between County and Contractor as to whether the conditions materially differ, or involve hazardous waste, or cause a decrease or increase in Contractor's cost of or time required for performance of any part of the Work, Contractor shall not be excused from any scheduled completion date provided for by the Agreement, but shall proceed with all Work to be performed under the Agreement. Contractor shall retain any and all rights provided either by contract or by law which pertain to the resolution of disputes and protests between Contractor and County.

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**29. Subcontracting**

The provisions of Sections 4100-4114, inclusive, of the Public Contract Code regarding sub-contracting shall apply to this Contract, and Contractor represents that it will comply with all provisions therein.

The Subcontractor List in the Proposal must show the name, contractor's license number, DIR number and address and Work portions in excess of 0.5% or \$10,000, whichever is greater, to be performed by each subcontractor listed. The Work portion to be performed must be shown by listing the bid item number, bid item description, and portion of the Work to be performed by the subcontractor in the form of a percentage (not to exceed 100%) calculated by dividing the Work to be performed by the subcontractor by the respective bid item amount(s) (not by the total bid price). **The completed Subcontractor Listing Form in the Proposal must be submitted at time of bid.**

An inadvertent error in listing the California Contractor license number on the Subcontractor List will not be grounds for filing a bid protest or grounds for considering the bid non-responsive if the Bidder submits the corrected contractor's license number to Jen Rimoldi via fax (530) 698-5813 or email Jennifer.rimoldi@edcgov.us within 24 hours after the bid opening, provided the corrected contractor's license number corresponds to the submitted name and location for that subcontractor.

**30. Additional Work**

County reserves the right to make such alterations, deviations, or additions to or deletions from the plans and specifications, including the right to increase or decrease the quantity of any item or portion of work or to delete any items or portion of work, as may be deemed by the Contract Administrator or Project Manager to be necessary or advisable, and to require such additional work to be required for the proper completion of the whole Work contemplated.

Any such changes will be set forth in a Contract Change Order (Change Order) which will specify the additional work, adjustment of performance time, if any, and basis for additional or reduced compensation, if any. Any Change Order shall not become effective until approved by the Director of Transportation, or where required, by the Board of Supervisors.

**31. Termination by County for Convenience**

County reserves the right to terminate the Agreement at any time, in whole or in part, for convenience upon thirty (30) calendar days written Notice of Termination. County shall issue Contractor a written notice specifying that the Agreement is to be terminated.

Upon receipt of said written notice, Contractor shall stop all work under the Agreement except: (1) work specifically directed to be completed prior to termination, (2) work the Inspector deems necessary to secure the Project for termination, (3) removal of equipment and plant from the site of the Work, (4) action that is necessary to protect materials from damage, (5) disposal of materials not yet used in the Work as directed by County, and (6) clean-up of the site.

If the Agreement is terminated for County's convenience as provided herein, all finished or unfinished work and materials previously paid for shall, at the option of County, become its property. Contractor shall be paid an amount which reflects costs incurred for work provided to the date of notification of termination. In addition, Contractor shall be paid the reasonable cost, as solely judged by County, and without profit, for all work performed to secure the Project for termination.

**32. Termination by County for Cause**

County may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy and after giving Contractor a minimum of ten (10) days from delivery of a written termination notice, terminate the services of Contractor if any of the following events occur:

1. Contractor is adjudged as bankrupt or insolvent.
2. Contractor makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors or if a trustee or receiver is appointed for Contractor or for any of its property.
3. Contractor files a petition to take advantage of any debtor's act, or to reorganize under the bankruptcy or applicable laws.

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4. Contractor on more than one occasion fails to supply sufficient skilled workmen or suitable material or equipment.
  5. Contractor on more than one occasion fails to make prompt payments to subcontractors for labor, materials, or equipment.
  6. Contractor disregards the authority of County's representative, or the Engineer, if one is appointed.
  7. Contractor violates Article 41.
  8. Contractor otherwise violates any material provision of the Contract Documents.

County shall state in that written notice the reason(s) for the default. After that ten (10) day period has elapsed, County may terminate the services of Contractor immediately and take equipment and machinery thereon owned by Contractor and finish the Work by whatever method County may deem expedient. In such case, Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the Work is finished.

Without prejudice to other rights or remedies County may have, County may serve Contractor with an Inspector's written notice demanding satisfactory compliance with this Agreement if Contractor does any of the following:

1. Fails to begin delivery of materials and equipment, to commence Work within the time specified, or to maintain the rate of delivery of material.
2. Fails to execute the Work in the manner and at such locations as specified.
3. Fails to maintain a work program which will ensure County's interest.
4. Contractor is not carrying out the intent of this Agreement.

If Contractor does not comply with such notice within five (5) days after receiving it, or after starting to comply, fails to continue, County may exclude it from the premises and take possession of all material and equipment, and complete the Work by County's own forces, by letting the unfinished Work to another Contractor, or by a combination of such methods.

Where Contractor's services have been so terminated by County, said termination shall not affect any right of County against Contractor then existing or which may thereafter accrue. Any retention or payment of monies by County due Contractor will not release Contractor from compliance with the Contract Documents.

If the unpaid balance of the Contract Price exceeds the direct and indirect costs of completing the Work, including compensation for additional professional services, such excess shall be paid to Contractor. If the sums under the Agreement are insufficient for completion, Contractor shall pay to County within five (5) days after the completion, all costs in excess of the Contract Price. In any event, the cost of completing the Work shall be charged against Contractor and may be deducted from any money due or becoming due from County.

The provisions of this Article shall be in addition to all other rights and remedies available to County under law.

If after notice of termination, it is determined for any reason that Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had not been issued. The Agreement shall be equitably adjusted to compensate for such termination.

**33. Successors and Assigns**

This Agreement shall bind and inure to the heirs, devisees, assignees, and successors in interest of Contractor and to the successors in interest of County in the same manner as if such parties had been expressly named herein.

**34. Assignment of Contract**

Neither this Agreement, nor any part thereof, or any monies due or to become due hereunder, may be assigned by Contractor without the written approval of County, nor without the consent of the Surety unless the Surety has waived its right to notice of assignment in writing. County may assign this Agreement to a lender, or any third party that assumes the obligations of County hereunder.

**35. Amendments**

This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the parties hereto. Said amendment shall become effective only when in writing and fully executed by duly authorized officers of the parties hereto.

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**36. Separate Contracts**

County reserves the right to let other contracts in connection with the Work. Contractor shall afford all other such contractors reasonable opportunity for storage of their materials, shall provide that the execution of its work properly connects and coordinates with theirs, and shall cooperate with them to the end of facilitating the Work.

**37. Indemnity**

To the fullest extent allowed by law, Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold County, its (their) officers, directors, and employees, and the State of California (State), its officers, directors, agents (excluding agents who are design professionals), and any Federal government agencies associated with this Contract harmless against and from any and all claims, suits, losses, damages, and liability for damages, including attorney's fees and other costs of defense brought for or on account of injuries to or death of any person, including but not limited to, workers and the public, or on account of injuries to or death of County, State, or Federal government agency employees, or damage to property, or any economic, consequential or special damages which are claimed or which shall in any way arise out of or be connected with Contractor's services, operations or performance hereunder, regardless of the existence or degree of fault or negligence on the part of the County, the State of California, or any Federal government agencies, the Contractor, subcontractors or employees of any of these, except for the active, or sole negligence of the County, the State of California or any Federal government agencies their officers and employees, or where expressly prescribed by statute.

The duty to indemnify and hold harmless the County, the State, and any Federal government agencies associated with this Contract specifically includes the duties to defend set forth in Section 2778 of the Civil Code. The insurance obligations of Contractor are separate, independent obligations under the Contract Documents, and the provisions of this defense and indemnity are not intended to modify nor should they be construed as modifying or in any way limiting the insurance obligations set forth in the Contract Documents.

Nothing herein shall be construed to seek indemnity in excess of that permitted by Civil Code section 2782, et seq. In the event any portion of this Article is found invalid, the Parties agree that this Article shall survive and be interpreted consistent with the provisions of Civil Code section 2782, et seq.

This indemnification will remain in effect until terminated or modified in writing by mutual agreement.

**38. Insurance**

**GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:** Contractor shall provide proof of a policy of insurance satisfactory to County's Risk Management Division and documentation evidencing that Contractor maintains insurance that meets the following requirements:

1. Full Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance covering all employees of Contractor as required by law in the State of California.
2. Commercial General Liability Insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01) of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage, including but not limited to endorsements for the following coverage: premises, personal injury, operations, products and completed operations, blanket contractual, and independent contractors' liability and a \$4,000,000 aggregate limit. County, including, without limitation, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers shall be named as an additional insured on ISO form CG 2010 1185, or its equivalent.
3. Automobile Liability Insurance of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) is required in the event motor vehicles are used by Contractor in performance of the Contract.
4. In the event Contractor is a licensed professional and is performing professional services under this Agreement, Professional Liability Insurance is required with a limit of liability of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000).
5. Explosion, Collapse and Underground coverage is required when the scope of work includes XCU exposures. For purposes of this Contract, XCU coverage is required.

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**PROOF OF INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Contractor shall furnish proof of coverage satisfactory to County's Risk Management Division as evidence that the insurance required herein is being maintained. The insurance will be issued by an insurance company acceptable to County's Risk Management Division or be provided through partial or total self-insurance likewise acceptable to the Risk Management Division.
2. The County of El Dorado, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers shall be included as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned. This provision shall apply to all general and excess liability insurance policies. Proof that County is named additional insured shall be made by providing the Risk Management Division with a certified copy, or other acceptable evidence, of an endorsement to Contractor's insurance policy naming County as additional insured.
3. In the event Contractor cannot provide an occurrence policy, Contractor shall provide insurance covering claims made as a result of performance of this Agreement for not less than three (3) years following completion of performance of this Agreement.
4. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by County. At the option of County, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or Contractor shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses.
5. Contractor shall require each of its subcontractors to procure and maintain Commercial General Liability Insurance, Automobile Liability Insurance, and Workers' Compensation Insurance of the types and in the amounts specified above or shall insure the activities of its subcontractors in its own policy in like amounts. Contractor shall also require each of its subcontractors to name Contractor and the County of El Dorado as additional insureds on each subcontractor's general and excess liability insurance policies. Upon request by County Contractor shall furnish proof of coverage satisfactory to County as evidence that the subcontractor insurance required herein is being maintained.

**INSURANCE NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Contractor agrees that no cancellation or material change in any policy shall become effective except upon prior written notice to County of El Dorado, Procurement and Contracts, 330 Fair Lane, Placerville, California 95667.
2. Contractor agrees that the insurance required herein shall be in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement, inclusive of the guarantee/warranty period specified herein below. In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall immediately provide a new certificate of insurance as evidence of the required insurance coverage. In the event Contractor fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, County may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event. New certificates of insurance are subject to the approval of County's Risk Management Division.

**ADDITIONAL STANDARDS:** Certificates shall meet such additional standards as may be determined by County's Department of Transportation either independently or in consultation with County's Risk Management Division, as essential for protection of County.

**COMMENCEMENT OF PERFORMANCE:** Contractor shall not commence performance of this Agreement unless and until compliance with each and every requirement of the insurance provisions is achieved.

**MATERIAL BREACH:** Failure of Contractor to maintain the insurance required herein, or to comply with any of the requirements of the insurance provisions, shall constitute a material breach of the entire Agreement.

**REPORTING PROVISIONS:** Any failure to comply with the reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect the coverage provided to County, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers.



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**PRIMARY COVERAGE:** Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by County, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be in excess of Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

**PREMIUM PAYMENTS:** The insurance companies shall have no recourse against County, its officers, agents, employees, or volunteers, or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by any insurance company.

**CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATIONS:** Contractor's indemnity and other obligations shall not be limited by the insurance required herein and shall survive the expiration of this Agreement.

**39. Independent Contractor**

It is understood that the services provided under this Agreement shall be prepared in and with cooperation from County and its staff. It is further understood that this Agreement does not create an exclusive relationship between County and Contractor, and Contractor may perform similar work or services for others. However, Contractor shall not enter into any agreement with any other party, or provide any information in any manner to any other party, that would conflict with Contractor's responsibilities or hinder Contractor's performance of services hereunder, unless County's Contract Administrator, in writing, authorizes that agreement or sharing of information.

The parties intend that an independent contractor relationship will be created by this contract. Contractor is, and shall be at all times, deemed independent and shall be wholly responsible for the manner in which it performs services required by the terms of this Agreement. Contractor exclusively assumes responsibility for acts of its employees, agents, affiliates, and subcontractors, if any are authorized herein, as they relate to the services or work to be performed under this Agreement during the course and scope of their employment by Contractor. Those persons will be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision, and control of Contractor.

County may designate the tasks to be performed and the results to be accomplished under this Agreement, provide information concerning the work or services, approve or disapprove the final work product and/or services provided, and set deadlines for the completion of the work or services, but County will not control or direct the manner, means, methods, or sequence in which Contractor performs the work or services for accomplishing the results. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor lacks the authority to bind County or incur any obligations on behalf of County.

Contractor, including any subcontractor or employees of Contractor, shall not receive, nor be eligible for, any benefits County provides for its employees, including, but not limited to, vacation pay, paid holidays, life insurance, health insurance, social security, disability insurance, pension, or 457 plans. Contractor shall not receive, nor be eligible for, workers' compensation, including medical and indemnity payments. County is not responsible for withholding, and shall not withhold, Federal Income Contribution Act amounts or taxes of any kind from any payments which it owes Contractor. Contractor shall not be subject to the work schedules or vacation periods that apply to County employees.

Contractor shall be solely responsible for paying its employees, and for withholding Federal Income Contribution Act amounts and other taxes, workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, medical insurance, life insurance, or any other benefit that Contractor provides for its employees.

Contractor acknowledges that it has no authority to bind the County or incur any obligations on behalf of the County with regard to any matter and shall not make any agreements or representations on the County's behalf.

**40. Force Majeure**

Neither party will be liable for any delay, failure to perform, or omission under this Agreement that is due to any cause that it is beyond its control, not due to its own negligence, and cannot be overcome by the exercise of due diligence. In that event, the affected party will:

1. Promptly give written notice to the other of the fact that it is unable to so perform and the cause(s) that is beyond its control.
2. Once the cause(s) has ceased, provide written notice to the other party and immediately resume its

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performance under this Agreement.

For purposes of this Article, "cause that is beyond its control" includes labor disturbances, riots, fires, earthquakes, floods, storms, lightning, epidemics, war, disorders, hostilities, expropriation or confiscation of properties, failure of and delays by carriers, interference by civil or military authorities, whether legal or de facto, and whether purporting to act under some constitution, decree, or law, or otherwise, or acts of God.

**41. Waiver**

No failure on the part of the parties to exercise any rights under this Agreement, and no course of dealing with respect to any right hereunder, shall operate as a waiver of that right, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right preclude the exercise of any other right. The remedies herein provided are cumulative and are not exclusive of any other remedies provided by law.

**42. Conflict of Interest**

The parties to this Agreement have read and are aware of the provisions of Government Code Section 1090 et seq. and the Political Reform Act of 1974 (Section 87100 et seq.), relating to conflict of interest of public officers and employees. Individuals who are working for Contractor and performing work for County and who are considered to be consultant within the meaning of Title 2, California Code of Regulations, Section 18700.3, as it now reads or may thereafter be amended, are required to file a statement of economic interest in accordance with County's Conflict of Interest Code. County's Contract Administrator shall at the time this Agreement is executed make an initial determination whether or not the individuals who will provide services or perform work pursuant to this Agreement are consultants within the meaning of the Political Reform Act and County's Conflict of Interest Code. Statements of economic interests are public records subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act.

Contractor covenants that during the term of this Agreement neither it, or any officer or employee of the Contractor, has or shall acquire any interest, directly or indirectly, in any of the following:

1. Any other contract connected with, or directly affected by, the services to be performed by this Agreement.
2. Any other entities connected with, or directly affected by, the services to be performed by this Agreement.
3. Any officer or employee of County that are involved in this Agreement.

If Contractor becomes aware of a conflict of interest related to this Agreement, Contractor shall promptly notify County of the existence of that conflict, and County may, in its sole discretion, immediately terminate this Agreement by giving written notice of termination specified in Article 31.

Pursuant to Government Code section 84308 (SB 1439, the Levine Act), Contractor shall complete and sign the "California Levine Act Statement," located in the Proposal and made by reference a part hereof, regarding campaign contributions by Contractor, if any, to any officer of County.

**43. Licenses**

Contractor warrants and represents that it holds a valid California license pursuant to the Contractors' State License Law (Business and Professions Code Sections 7000, et seq.), that its license is in good standing and that it possesses a Class A – General Contractor License as required by the categories and type of the Work. Copies of Contractor's State Contractors' license must be provided with this Agreement.

**44. Business License**

County's Business License Ordinance provides that it is unlawful for any person to furnish supplies or services or transact any kind of business in the unincorporated territory of County of El Dorado without possessing a County business license unless exempt under County Ordinance Code Section 5.08.070. Contractor warrants and represents that it shall comply with all of the requirements of County's Business License Ordinance, where applicable, prior to beginning work under this Agreement and at all times during the term of this Agreement.

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45. **Cleaning Up**

Contractor shall not allow the site of the Work to become littered with trash, rubbish, or waste material, and shall maintain the site of Work in a neat and orderly condition throughout the performance of the Work. At the end of each workday, Contractor shall clean up all debris and waste materials generated by the Work and shall properly dispose of all trash, rubbish, and waste materials off site at no additional cost to County.

46. **Access to the Work**

County, and any state or local authorities having jurisdiction over the Project, shall at all times have access to the Work. Contractor shall maintain at least one lane of traffic at all times unless prior authorization is given by County. Roads cannot be closed without prior approval by County.

47. **Acceptance of Work**

The Work will be accepted by County in writing when the whole is completed satisfactorily, as determined by County or its duly authorized representative. Acceptance of the Work shall not constitute an acceptance of latent defects nor relieve Contractor of responsibility for any act or omission which is a violation of the Contract.

48. **Resolution of Claims**

As permitted by Public Contract Code section 20104, the County has elected to resolve any claims between you and the County pursuant to Article 7.1 (commencing with Section 10240) of Chapter 1 of Part 2 of the Public Contract Code. This Article describes the contract claim procedure. The provisions of this Article constitute a non-judicial claim settlement procedure, and also step one of a two-step claim presentment procedure by agreement under Section 930.2 of the California Government Code. Specifically, step one is compliance with the contract claim procedure in accordance with the Contract Documents. Step two is the filing of a timely Government Code Section 910 et seq. claim in accordance with the California Government Code. Any such claim shall affirmatively indicate your prior compliance with the contract claim procedure and previous dispositions under this Article. Any claim that fails to conform to the contract claim procedure required in step one may not be asserted in any subsequent Government Code Section 910 et seq. claim.

As a condition precedent to arbitration or litigation, claims must first be mediated. Mediation is non-binding and the services of a mediator mutually acceptable to the parties must be used and, if the parties cannot agree, a mediator will be selected by the American Arbitration Association from its panel of approved mediators trained in construction industry mediation. All statutes of limitations shall be tolled from the date of the demand for mediation until a date two weeks following the mediation's conclusion. The cost of mediation shall be equally shared by the parties.

Your attention is directed to California Public Contract Code section 9204, which describes procedures for the resolution of claims on public works projects. Among other things, section 9204 requires the claimant to furnish reasonable documentation to support a claim, requires the public entity to respond to the claim within 45 days of receipt of the claim, and allows for the claimant to demand an informal meet and confer conference for settlement of the issues in dispute. For any portion of a claim that remains in dispute, section 9204 requires submission of the claim to nonbinding mediation. Additionally, section 9204 requires the public entity to make any payment due on an undisputed portion of the claim within 60 days of the public entity's written response and to pay interest at the rate of 7 percent per annum on any amounts not paid in a timely manner. The claims procedures described within the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, this article) are in addition to the procedures required by section 9204 and, in the event of a conflict between those various procedures, the more stringent procedures will control.

The County's costs in reviewing or auditing a claim not supported by the Contractor's accounting or other records are damages incurred by the County within the meaning of the California False Claims Act.

If the Engineer determines that a claim requires additional analysis, the Engineer schedules a review board meeting. Meet with the board of review and make a presentation supporting the claim. After the Engineer or review board finishes reviewing the claim, the County makes the final determination of claims and provides it to you. The Engineer provides you a final estimate and the Department pays the amount due within 30 days. The final estimate is conclusive as to the amount of work completed and the amount payable. Your failure to comply with the claim procedures is a bar to arbitration under Pub Cont Code § 10240.2.

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If you fail to comply with these claim procedures as to any claim, then you waive your rights to this claim. County must not be deemed to waive or alter any provision of this Article if, at County's sole discretion, County administers a claim in a manner not in accord with those provisions.

Minimize and mitigate the impacts of work or events for which you will make a potential claim.

### **Claim Procedure**

For each potential claim, assign an identification number determined by chronological sequencing and the 1st date of the potential claim.

Submit a declaration that includes the following language with each claim statement:

I declare under penalty of perjury, according to the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing claims, with specific reference to the California False Claims Act (Govt Code § 12650 et seq.) and to the extent the project contains federal funding, the US False Claims Act (31 USC § 3729 et seq.), are true and correct, and that this declaration was signed on \_\_\_\_\_(date)\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, California.

Use the identification number for each potential claim on the:

1. Initial Potential Claim Record form
2. Supplemental Potential Claim Record form
3. Full and Final Potential Claim Record form

Failure to comply with this procedure is:

1. Waiver of the potential claim and a waiver of the right to a corresponding claim for the disputed work in the administrative claim procedure
2. Bar to arbitration (Pub Cont Code § 10240.2)

Submit an Initial Potential Claim Record form within 5 business days of the Engineer's response to the Request for Information (RFI) or within 5 business days from the date when a dispute arises due to an act or failure to act by the Engineer. The Initial Potential Claim Record form establishes the claim's nature and circumstances. The nature and circumstances must remain consistent.

The Engineer responds within 5 business days of receiving the form. Proceed with the work for which you will make a potential claim unless otherwise ordered.

Within 20 days of a request, provide access to the project records determined necessary by the Engineer to evaluate the potential claim.

Within 15 days of submitting the Initial Potential Claim Record form, submit a Supplemental Potential Claim Record form including:

1. Complete nature and circumstances causing the potential claim
2. Contract specifications supporting the basis of a claim
3. Estimated claim cost and an itemized breakdown of the individual costs stating how the estimate was determined
4. TIA

The Engineer evaluates the Supplemental Potential Claim Record form and responds within 20 days of receiving the submittal. To pursue a potential claim, comply with this Article.

If the estimated cost or effect on the scheduled completion date changes, update the Supplemental Potential Claim Record form information as soon as the change is recognized and submit this information.

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Notify the Engineer within 10 days of the completion date of the potentially claimed work. The Engineer authorizes this completion date or notifies you of a revised date.

Within 30 days of the completion of the potentially claimed work, submit a Full and Final Potential Claim Record form including:

1. Detailed factual account of the events causing the potential claim, including:
  - 1.1. Pertinent dates
  - 1.2. Locations
  - 1.3. Work items affected by the potential claim
2. Contract documents supporting the potential claim and a statement of the reasons these parts support entitlement
3. Itemized cost breakdown if a payment adjustment is requested. Segregate costs into the following categories:
  - 3.1. Labor, including:
    - 3.1.1. Individuals
    - 3.1.2. Classifications
    - 3.1.3. Regular and overtime hours worked
    - 3.1.4. Dates worked
  - 3.2. Materials, including:
    - 3.2.1. Invoices
    - 3.2.2. Purchase orders
    - 3.2.3. Location of materials either stored or incorporated into the work
    - 3.2.4. Dates materials were transported to the job site or incorporated into the work
  - 3.3. Equipment, including:
    - 3.3.1. Detailed descriptions, including make, model, and serial number
    - 3.3.2. Hours of use
    - 3.3.3. Dates of use
    - 3.3.4. Equipment rates at the rental rate listed in Labor Surcharge and Equipment Rental Rates in effect when the affected work related to the claim was performed
4. Detailed account of the time impact if a time adjustment is requested:
  - 4.1. Dates for the requested time.
  - 4.2. Reasons for a time adjustment.
  - 4.3. Contract documentation supporting the requested time adjustment.
  - 4.4. TIA. The TIA must demonstrate entitlement to a time adjustment.
5. Identification and copies of your documents and copies of communications supporting the potential claim, including certified payrolls, bills, canceled checks, job cost reports, payment records, and rental agreements
6. Relevant information, references, and arguments that support the potential claim

The Department does not consider a Full and Final Potential Claim Record form that does not have the same nature, circumstances, and basis of claim as those specified on the Initial Potential Claim Record form and Supplemental Potential Claim Record form.

The Engineer evaluates the information presented in the Full and Final Potential Claim Record form and responds within 30 days of its receipt unless the Full and Final Potential Claim Record form is submitted after Contract acceptance, in which case, a response may not be provided. The Engineer's receipt of the Full and Final Potential Claim Record form must be evidenced by postal return receipt or the Engineer's written receipt if delivered by hand.

A claim is waived if:

1. Claim does not have a corresponding Full and Final Potential Claim Record form identification number
2. Claim does not have the same nature, circumstances, and basis of the claim as the corresponding Full and Final Potential Claim Record form
3. Claim is not included in the claim statement
4. You do not comply with the claim procedures
5. You do not submit the declaration stated above
6. Failure to allow timely access to the supporting data for a claim when requested

49. **Environmental and Toxic Warranty**

Contractor warrants that its operations concerning the Project are not and will not be in violation of any applicable federal, state, or local environmental statute, law, or regulation dealing with hazardous materials substances or toxic substances.

50. **Guarantee**

**Final Guarantee:** Contractor shall guarantee all materials and equipment furnished and work performed for a period of one (1) year. Contractor warrants and guarantees for a period of one (1) year from the date of Acceptance of the Work that the Work is free from all defects due to faulty materials or workmanship and Contractor shall promptly make such corrections as may be necessary, including repairs of any damage to other parts of the Work resulting from such defects. County will give notice of observed defects with reasonable promptness. In the event that Contractor should fail to make such repairs, adjustments, or other work that may be made necessary by such defects, County may do so and charge Contractor the cost thereby incurred.

**Extended Guarantees:** If a guaranty exceeding one (1) year is provided by the supplier or manufacturer of any equipment or materials used in this Project, then the guarantee for such equipment or materials shall be extended for such term. Contractor expressly agrees to act as co-guarantor of such equipment and materials, and Contractor shall supply County with all warranty and guaranty documents relative to equipment and materials incorporated in the job and guaranteed by its suppliers or manufacturers.

**Warranty:** Contractor warrants to County that materials and equipment furnished under the Contract will be of good quality and new, unless otherwise required or permitted by the Contract, that the Work will be free from defects or flaws and is of the highest quality of workmanship and that the Work will conform with the requirements of the Contract. Work not conforming to these requirements, including substitutions not properly approved and authorized, shall be considered defective.

If within one (1) year from the date of the Acceptance of the Work or such longer period of time as may be prescribed by law or regulations or by the terms of any applicable special guarantee required by the contract documents, any work is found to be defective, Contractor shall promptly, without cost to County and in accordance with County's written instruction, correct such defective work. If work is rejected by County, defective material or work will be removed from site and replaced with non-defective materials or work. If Contractor is unable to promptly and properly correct any defective work, County may at its option have the work corrected by such other means as County deems appropriate and hold Contractor liable for all direct, indirect and consequential costs caused by such defective work. Said warranty shall apply to all work found to be "defective" which is attributable to the quality or quantity of the materials used, the quality of the workmanship or for performance of the Contract.

51. **Notice**

Any notice or other correspondence required to be given under this Agreement by either party to the other may be affected by personal delivery in writing or by mail, postage prepaid. Notices personally delivered during normal business hours shall be deemed received on the actual date of delivery; mailed notices shall be deemed received one (1) day after affixed postmark. Notices and correspondence to County shall be in duplicate and shall be delivered to it as follows:

To County:

County of El Dorado  
Department of Transportation  
2441 Headington Road  
Placerville, California 95667

Attn.: John Kahling, Deputy Director-  
Headington Engineering Unit

With a Copy To:

County of El Dorado  
Chief Administrative Office  
330 Fair Lane  
Placerville, California 95667

Attn.: Michele Weimer  
Purchasing Agent  
Procurement and Contracts

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Notices and correspondence to Contractor shall be delivered when personally delivered to, or if mailed, addressed to Contractor at:

Doug Veerkamp General Engineering, Inc.  
3701 Trade Way  
Cameron Park, CA 95682

Either party may change its address for notices or for its principal place of business by giving written notice pursuant to this Article.

**52. Change of Address**

In the event of a change in address for Contractor's principal place of business, Contractor's Agent for Service of Process, or Notices to Contractor, Contractor shall notify County in writing as provided in Article 47, Notice. Said notice shall become part of this Agreement upon acknowledgment in writing by County's Contract Administrator, and no further amendment of the Agreement shall be necessary provided that such change of address does not conflict with any other provisions of this Agreement.

**53. California Residency (Form 590)**

All independent Contractors providing services to County must file a State of California Form 590, certifying their California residency or, in the case of a corporation, certifying that they have a permanent place of business in California. Contractor will be required to submit a Form 590. This requirement applies to any Agreement/Contract exceeding \$1,500.00.

**54. Nonresident Withholding**

If Contractor is not a California resident, Contractor shall provide documentation that the State of California has granted a withholding exemption or authorized reduced withholding prior to execution of this Agreement or County shall withhold seven (7%) percent of each payment made to the Contractor during term of the Agreement as required by law. This requirement applies to any agreement/contract exceeding \$1,500.00. Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless for any action taken by the California Franchise Tax Board.

**55. County Payee Data Record Form**

All independent contractors or corporations providing services to County must file a County Payee Data Record Form with County.

**56. Taxes**

Contractor certifies that as of today's date, it is not in default on any unsecured property taxes or other taxes or fees owed by Consultant to County. Contractor agrees that it shall not default on any obligations to County during the term of this Agreement.

**57. Venue**

The Contract Documents and all provisions thereto shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Any litigation arising herein shall be brought in the County of El Dorado.

**58. Contract Administrator**

The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement is John Kahling, Deputy Director, Headington Engineering, Department of Transportation, or successor.

**59. Authorized Signatures**

The parties to this Agreement warrant and represent that the undersigned individuals executing this Agreement on their respective behalves are fully authorized to do so by law or other appropriate instrument and to bind upon said parties the obligations set forth herein.

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**60. Partial Invalidity**

If any provision, part of a provision, sentence, or word of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions, parts of provisions, sentences, and words will continue in full force and effect without being impaired or invalidated in any way.

**61. No Third Party Beneficiaries**

Nothing in this Agreement is intended, nor will be deemed, to confer rights or remedies upon any person or legal entity not a party to this Agreement.

**62. Counterparts**

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**63. Entire Agreement**

This document and the documents referred to herein or exhibits hereto are the entire Agreement between the parties and they incorporate or supersede all prior written or oral agreements or understandings.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below, the latest of which shall be deemed to be the effective date of this Agreement.


--COUNTY OF EL DORADO--


By:   
Rafael Martinez, Director  
Department of Transportation  
"County"

Dated: 4/9/24

--CONTRACTOR--

Dated: 3/25/24                      440233                      68-0462256  
License No.                      Federal Employee Identification Number

By:   
Douglas B. Veerkamp  
President

By:   
Lori A. Veerkamp  
Corporate Secretary

NOTE: If Contractor is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign Contracts on behalf of the corporation; if Contractor is a co-partnership, the true name of the firm shall be set forth above together with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign Contracts on behalf of the co-partnership; and if Contractor is an individual, his/her signature shall be placed above. Contractor executing this document on behalf of a corporation or partnership shall be prepared to demonstrate by resolution, article, or otherwise that it is appropriately authorized to act in these regards. For such corporation or partnership, such authority shall be demonstrated to the satisfaction of County. If signature is by an agent, other than officer of a corporation or a member of a partnership, an appropriate Power of Attorney shall be on file with the County prior to signing this document.

Mailing Address: 3701 Trade Way, Cameron Park, CA 95682

Business Address: 3701 Trade Way, Cameron Park, CA 95682

Email Address: eric.wunschel@dougveerkamp.com

Phone: 530-676-0825                      Fax: 530-676-0826

**EXHIBIT A**

**CONTRACTOR'S BID AND BID PRICE SCHEDULE  
PATTERSON DRIVE EMERGENCY CULVERT REPAIR PROJECT  
CONTRACT NO. 8597 / 36204002**

<b>ITEM NO.</b>	<b>ITEM CODE</b>	<b>ITEM DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>UNIT OF MEASURE</b>	<b>ESTIMATED QUANTITY</b>	<b>UNIT PRICE (IN FIGURES)</b>	<b>ITEM TOTAL (IN FIGURES)</b>
1	72007A	Excavation Safety	LS	1	\$6,290.00	\$6,290.00
2	80050	Progress Schedule (Level 1 Critical Path Method)	LS	1	\$350.00	\$350.00
3	120100	Traffic Control System	LS	1	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00
4	130100	Job Site Management	LS	1	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00
5	170103	Clearing and Grubbing	LS	1	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
6	190101	Roadway Excavation (Final Pay)	CY	90	\$200.00	\$18,000.00
7	210270	Rolled Erosion Control Product (Netting)	SQFT	100	\$3.00	\$300.00
8	390132	Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A, PG 64-16) (Trench) (Final Pay)	TON	2.8	\$4,000.00	\$11,200.00
9	480300A	Temporary Support Utilities	LS	1	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00
10	641119	30" Plastic Pipe	LF	30	\$660.00	\$19,800.00
11	707117A	Drainage Inlet	EA	2	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00
12	710110A	Abandon 12" CMP Inlet	EA	2	\$860.00	\$1,720.00
13	710136A	Remove Pipe & DI	LF	34	\$150.00	\$5,100.00
14	710368	Culvert Slurry-Cement Backfill (Final Pay)	CY	70	\$425.00	\$29,750.00
15	731516	Minor Concrete (Driveway) (Final Pay)	CY	6.5	\$3,040.00	\$19,760.00
16	731840	Minor Concrete (Curb and Gutter)	LF	20	\$260.00	\$5,200.00
17	999990	Mobilization	LS	1	\$5,330.00	\$5,330.00
<b>TOTAL BID:</b>						<b>\$189,000.00</b>