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**Dokken Engineering
As-Needed Planning and Design Services**

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES # AGMT 05-777

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into by and between the County of El Dorado, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereinafter referred to as "County"), and Dokken Engineering, a corporation duly qualified to conduct business in the State of California, whose principal place of business is 11171 Sun Center Drive, Suite 250, Rancho Cordova, California 95670 and whose agent for service of process is Gary G. Perry, 2251 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Suite 200, Sacramento, California 95825 (hereinafter referred to as "Consultant");

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, County has determined that it is necessary to obtain a consultant to assist the Department of Transportation with planning and design services necessary for project development; and

WHEREAS, Consultant has represented to County that it is specially trained, experienced, expert, and competent to perform the special services required hereunder, and County has determined to rely upon such representations; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties hereto that such services be in conformity with all applicable state and local laws; and

WHEREAS, County has determined that the provision of such services provided by Consultant are in the public's best interest, and authorized by El Dorado County Charter, Section 210(b)(6) and/or Government Code Section 31000;

NOW, THEREFORE, County and Consultant mutually agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Scope of Services: Consultant agrees to furnish personnel and services necessary to assist the Department of Transportation on an as-needed basis with planning and design review. Services shall include, but not be limited to, planning, design review and analysis of subdivision plans including grading plans, retaining walls, bridges, and drainage, scour depth and fluvial studies. Consultant shall be provided a notice to proceed for each as-needed task by the Contract Administrator. Consultant shall not commence work until receiving said notice. Prior to issuing each notice, the Contract Administrator and Consultant shall agree to a task list or scope of services (Task Order) identifying the required deliverables, Consultant staff, schedule and a not-to-exceed dollar amount for each Task Order. Consultant shall attach a copy of each notice, as backup documentation, to any invoices submitted for payment under the terms of this Agreement. Copies of notices attached to such invoices shall reflect Consultant's charges for the specific services billed on those invoices.

ARTICLE II

Term: This Agreement shall become effective on April 9, 2005 and shall expire on April 8, 2007.

ARTICLE III

Compensation for Services: For services provided herein, County agrees to pay Consultant monthly in arrears. Payment shall be made within thirty (30) days following County receipt and approval of itemized invoice(s) detailing services rendered. For the purposes hereof, the billing rate shall be in accordance with Exhibit A, marked "El Dorado County Rate Schedule," incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof.

Travel and/or mileage expenses, if applicable, shall be paid in accordance with County's Travel Policy (No. D-1), Sections 4 and 5, attached hereto as Exhibit B, marked "Board of Supervisors Policy," incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof.

The total amount of this Agreement shall not exceed \$80,000, inclusive of all expenses.

ARTICLE IV

Prevailing Wage: In the event County requires Consultant's services on public works project(s) involving local, State and/or Federal funds to which prevailing wage requirements may apply, Consultant shall comply with all applicable State and Federal prevailing wage rates, statutes, rules and regulations then in effect. In the event of conflict between applicable Federal and State provisions, the higher prevailing wage rate will apply. Consultant shall use the general prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of Industrial Relations for the county in which the work is to be done, which are available at the offices of the District Director of Transportation for the district in which the work is situated. Changes, if any, to the general prevailing wage rates will be available at the same location. The Federal minimum wage rates are determined by the United States Secretary of Labor and may be examined at the office described above. Future effective general prevailing wage rates which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

ARTICLE V

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

ARTICLE VI

Consultant to County: 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 agreed that in all matters pertaining to this Agreement, Consultant shall act as Consultant only to County and shall not act as Consultant to any other individual or entity affected by this Agreement nor provide information in any manner to any party outside of this Agreement that would conflict with Consultant's responsibilities to County during term hereof.

ARTICLE VII

Confidentiality: Consultant shall maintain the confidentiality and privileged nature of all records, including billing records, together with any knowledge therein acquired, in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations, as they may now exist or may hereafter be amended or changed. Consultant, and all Consultant's staff, employees, and representatives, shall not use or disclose, directly or indirectly at any time, any said confidential information, other than to the County Department of Transportation for the purpose of, and in the performance of, this Agreement. This confidentiality provision shall survive after the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII

Assignment and Delegation: Consultant is engaged by County for its unique qualifications and skills as well as those of its personnel. Consultant shall not subcontract, delegate, or assign services to be provided, in whole or in part, to any other person or entity without prior written consent of County.

ARTICLE IX

Independent Consultant/Liability: Consultant is, and shall be at all times, deemed independent and shall be wholly responsible for the manner in which it performs services required by terms of this Agreement. Consultant exclusively assumes responsibility for acts of its employees, associates, and subcontractors, if any are authorized herein, as they relate to services to be provided under this Agreement during the course and scope of their employment.

Consultant shall be responsible for performing the work under this Agreement in a safe, professional, skillful, and workmanlike manner and shall be liable for its own negligence and negligent acts of its employees. County shall have no right of control over the manner in which work is to be done and shall, therefore, not be charged with responsibility of preventing risk to Consultant or its employees.

ARTICLE X

Fiscal Considerations: The parties to this Agreement recognize and acknowledge that County is a political subdivision of the State of California. As such, County is subject to the provisions of Article XVI, Section 18 of the California Constitution and other similar fiscal and procurement laws and regulations and may not expend funds for products, equipment, or services not budgeted in a given year. It is further understood that in the normal course of County business, County will adopt a proposed budget prior to a given fiscal year, but that the final adoption of a budget does not occur until after the beginning of the fiscal year.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, County shall give notice of cancellation of this Agreement in the event of adoption of a proposed budget that does not provide for funds for the services, products, or equipment subject herein. Such notice shall become effective upon the adoption of a final budget, which does not provide funding for this Agreement. Upon the effective date of such notice, this Agreement shall be automatically terminated and County released from any further liability hereunder.

In addition to the above, should the Board of Supervisors during the course of a given year

for financial reasons reduce or order a reduction in the budget for any County department for which services were contracted to be performed, pursuant to this paragraph in the sole discretion of the County, this Agreement may be deemed to be canceled in its entirety subject to payment for services performed prior to cancellation.

ARTICLE XI

Default, Termination, and Cancellation:

- A. **Default:** Upon the occurrence of any default of the provisions of this Agreement, a party shall give written notice of said default to the party in default (notice). If the party in default does not cure the default within ten (10) days of the date of notice (Time to Cure), then such party shall be in default. The Time to Cure may be extended in the discretion of the party giving notice. Any extension of Time to Cure must be in writing, prepared by the party in default for signature by the party giving notice, and must specify the reason(s) for the extension and the date in which the extension of Time to Cure expires.

Notice given under this section shall specify the alleged default and the applicable Agreement provision and shall demand that the party in default perform the provisions of this Agreement within the applicable period of time. No such notice shall be deemed a termination of this Agreement unless the party giving notice so elects in this notice, or the party giving notice so elects in a subsequent written notice after the Time to Cure has expired.

- B. **Bankruptcy:** This Agreement, at the option of the County, shall be terminable in the case of bankruptcy, voluntary or involuntary, or insolvency of Consultant.
- C. **Ceasing Performance:** County may terminate this Agreement in the event Consultant ceases to operate as a business, or otherwise becomes unable to substantially perform any term or condition of this Agreement.
- D. **Termination or Cancellation without Cause:** County may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part upon seven (7) calendar days written notice by County for any reason. If such prior termination is effected, County will pay for satisfactory services rendered prior to the effective dates, as set forth in the Notice of Termination provided to Consultant, and for such other services which County may agree to in writing as necessary for contract resolution. In no event, however, shall County be obligated to pay more than the total amount of the contract. Upon receipt of a Notice of Termination, Consultant shall promptly discontinue all services affected, as of the effective date of termination set forth in such Notice of Termination, unless the Notice directs otherwise. In the event of termination for default, County reserves the right to take over and complete the work by contract or by any other means.

ARTICLE XII

Notice to Parties: All notices to be given by the parties hereto shall be in writing and served by depositing same in the United States Post Office, postage prepaid and return receipt requested. Notices to County shall be in duplicate and addressed as follows:

To County:

County of El Dorado
Department Of Transportation
2850 Fairlane Court
Placerville, California 95667

Attn.: James W. Ware,
Acting Supervising Civil Engineer

or to such other location as County directs.

Notices to Consultant shall be addressed as follows:

Dokken Engineering
11171 Sun Center Drive, Suite 250
Rancho Cordova, California 95670

Attn.: Richard T. Liptak, P.E., President

or to such other location as Consultant directs.

ARTICLE XIII

Indemnity: The Consultant shall defend, indemnify, and hold the County harmless against and from any and all claims, suits, losses, damages, and liability for damages of every name, kind, and description, including attorneys' fees and costs incurred, brought for, or on account of, injuries to, or death of, any person, including but not limited to workers, County employees, and the public, or damage to property, or any economic or consequential losses, which are claimed to, or in any way arise out of, or are connected with Consultant's services, operations or performance hereunder, regardless of the existence or degree of fault or negligence on the part of the County, the Consultant, subcontractor(s) and employee(s) of any of these, except for the sole, or active negligence of the County, its officers and employees, or as expressly provided by statute. This duty of Consultant to indemnify and save County harmless includes the duties to defend set forth in California Civil Code Section 2778.

ARTICLE XIV

Insurance: Consultant shall provide proof of a policy of insurance satisfactory to the El Dorado County Risk Manager and documentation evidencing that Consultant maintains insurance that meets the following requirements:

- A. Full Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance covering all employees of Consultant as required by law in the State of California.
- B. Commercial General Liability Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- C. Automobile Liability Insurance of not less than \$500,000 is required in the event motor vehicles are used by the Consultant in performance of the Agreement.

With a Copy to:

County of El Dorado
Department of Transportation
2850 Fairlane Court
Placerville, California 95667

Attn: Tim C. Prudhel,
Contract Services Officer

- D. In the event Consultant 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 \$1,000,000.
- E. Consultant shall furnish a certificate of insurance satisfactory to the El Dorado County Risk Manager as evidence that the insurance required above is being maintained.
- F. The insurance will be issued by an insurance company acceptable to the Risk Management Division, or be provided through partial or total self-insurance likewise acceptable to the Risk Management Division.
- G. Consultant agrees that the insurance required herein shall be in effect at all times during the term of this agreement. In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this contract, Consultant shall immediately provide a new certificate of insurance as evidence of the required insurance coverage. In the event Consultant 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 contract upon the occurrence of such event. New certificates of insurance are subject to the approval of the Risk Manager, and Consultant agrees that no work or services shall be performed prior to the giving of such approval.
- H. The certificate of insurance must include the following provisions stating that:
1. The insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without 30-day prior written notice to the County; and
 2. The County of El Dorado, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are included as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned. This provision shall apply to all liability policies except Workers' Compensation and professional liability insurance policies.
- I. The Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- J. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to, and approved, by the County. At the option of the County, either: The insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Consultant shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses.
- K. Any failure to comply with the reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the County, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers.

- L. The insurance companies shall have no recourse against the County of El Dorado, its officers and employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by any insurance company.
- M. Consultant's obligations shall not be limited by the foregoing insurance requirements and shall survive the expiration of this Agreement.
- N. In the event Consultant cannot provide an occurrence policy, Consultant 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.
- O. The certificate of insurance shall meet such additional standards as may be determined by the contracting County department, either independently or in consultation with the Risk Management Division as essential for protection of the County.

ARTICLE XV

Interest of Public Official: No official or employee of County who exercises any functions or responsibilities in review or approval of services to be provided by Consultant under this Agreement shall participate in or attempt to influence any decision relating to this Agreement which affects personal interest or interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he/she is directly or indirectly interested; nor shall any such official or employee of County have any interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.

ARTICLE XVI

Interest of Consultant: Consultant covenants that Consultant presently has no personal interest or financial interest, and shall not acquire same in any manner or degree, in either: 1) any other contract connected with or directly affected by the services to be performed by this Agreement; or, 2) any other entities connected with or directly affected by the services to be performed by this Agreement. Consultant further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement no person having any such interest shall be employed by Consultant.

ARTICLE XVII

California Residency (Form 590): All independent Consultants providing services to the 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. The Consultant will be required to submit a Form 590 prior to execution of this Agreement, or County shall withhold seven (7) percent of each payment made to the Consultant during term of the Agreement. This requirement applies to any agreement/contract exceeding \$1,500.

ARTICLE XVIII

Taxpayer Identification Number (Form W-9): All independent contractors or corporations providing services to the County must file a Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, certifying their Taxpayer Identification Number.

ARTICLE XIX

California Forum and Law: Any dispute resolution action arising out of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, litigation, mediation, or arbitration, shall be brought in El Dorado County, California, and shall be resolved in accordance with the laws of the State of California. Consultant waives any removal rights it might have under Code of Civil Procedure Section 394.

ARTICLE XX

Year 2000 Compliance: Consultant agrees that all hardware and software developed, distributed, installed, programmed, or employed as a result of this order will comply with ISO 9000 date format to correctly manipulate and present date-sensitive data.

Upon delivery of product and thereafter, the date and date logic component shall effectively and efficiently operate using a four-digit year.

Upon written notification by the County of any hardware or software failure to comply with ISO 9000 date format, Consultant will replace or correct the failing component with compliant hardware or software immediately, at no cost to the County.

ARTICLE XXI

Administrator: The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement is James W. Ware, Acting Supervising Civil Engineer, Department of Transportation, or successor.

ARTICLE XXII

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

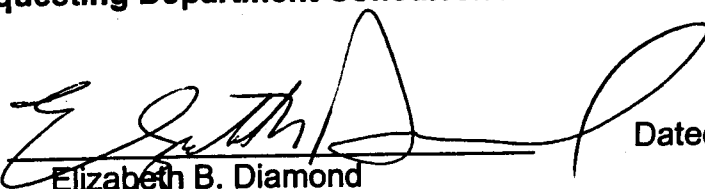
ARTICLE XXIII

Partial Invalidity: If any provision of the Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will continue in full force and effect without being impaired or invalidated in any way.

ARTICLE XXIV

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.

Requesting Department Concurrence:

By:  Dated: 3-7-05
Elizabeth B. Diamond
Interim Director
Department of Transportation

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below.

-- COUNTY OF EL DORADO --

By: Charlie Paine

Dated: March 29, 2005

Board of Supervisors
"County"

Attest:
Cindy Keck
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Cindy Keck
Deputy Clerk

Dated: March 29, 2005

-- DOKKEN ENGINEERING --

By: Richard T. Liptak
Richard T. Liptak
President
"Consultant"

Dated: 3/8/05

By: Justin Chen
Corporate Secretary

Dated: 3-8-2005



Exhibit A

**EL DORADO COUNTY
RATE SCHEDULE**

Effective June 1, 2004 through May 31, 2007


Professional and supporting staff services will be billed at the following hourly rates:

Principal	\$150.00 - \$200.00
Project Manager	\$140.00 - \$170.00
Senior Engineer	\$120.00 - \$145.00
Associate Engineer	\$100.00 - \$120.00
CAD/Detailer	\$70.00 - \$100.00
Assistant Engineer	\$65.00 - \$85.00
Engineering Technician	\$55.00 - \$75.00
Administrative/Clerical	\$40.00 - \$80.00

Ordinary supplies and equipment are included in the above hourly rates. The following are considered items of special charge and their costs will be added at the following rates:

Travel and/or mileage expenses, if applicable, shall be paid in accordance with County's Travel Policy (No. D-1), Sections 4 and 5, attached hereto as Exhibit B, marked "Board of Supervisors Policy," incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof.

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 Richard T. Liptak
 President

11171 SUN CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 250 • RANCHO CORDOVA, CA 95670-6113
 TEL: 916-858-0642 FAX: 916-858-0643

Dokken Engineering

Exhibit B

Board of Supervisors Policy

The following excerpt of the Board of Supervisors' Travel Policy, written for County employees, shall apply to Consultant under the terms of this Agreement:

Subject: Travel

Policy Number: D-1

Date Adopted: 12/22/87

Revised: 5/25/99

§4. Mode of Transport

a. Transportation shall be by the least expensive and/or most reasonable means available.

b. Private auto reimbursement may be authorized by the department head for county business travel within county and out of county. Reimbursement shall not be authorized for commuting to and from the employee's residence and the employee's main assigned work site, unless required by an executed Memorandum of Understanding between the County and a representing labor organization, or onetime, special circumstances approved by a department head.

c. Out of county travel by county vehicle or private vehicle may be authorized if the final destination of the trip does not exceed a four (4) hour driving distance from the County offices. Any exception to this policy must receive prior approval from the Chief Administrative Officer. If air travel would be more economical, but the employee prefers to drive even though travel by car would not be in the County's best interest, the County will reimburse transportation equal to the air travel; transportation costs over and above that amount, as well as any extra days of lodging and meals, etc., will be considered a personal, not reimbursable cost of the traveler.

d. Common carrier travel must be in "Coach" class unless otherwise specifically authorized in advance by the Chief Administrative Officer. Generally, any costs over and above coach class shall be considered a personal, not reimbursable expense of the traveler.

§5. Reimbursement Rates:

b. Private Auto

Travel by private auto in the performance of "official County business" shall be reimbursed at the Federal rate as determined by the Internal Revenue Service.

Mileage for travel shall be computed from the employee's designated work place. If travel begins from the employee's residence, mileage shall be calculated from the residence or work place, whichever is less. (For example, an employee who lives in Cameron Park and drives to a meeting in Sacramento, leaving from the residence will be paid for mileage from the residence to Sacramento and back to the residence.)

The mileage reimbursement rate represents full reimbursement, excluding snow chain installation and removal fee, for expenses incurred by a County officer or employee (e.g., fuel, normal wear and tear, insurance, etc.) during the use of a personal vehicle in the course of service to El Dorado County.

c. Meals

Actual meal expenses, within maximum allowable rates set forth below, may be reimbursed routinely for out-of-county travel, and for in-county overnight travel. Meals will not be provided for in-county travel or meetings which do not involve overnight lodging, unless special circumstances are involved such as the following:

- (1) When meals are approved as part of a program for special training sessions, conferences, and workshops;
- (2) when employees traveling from the western slope of the county to Lake Tahoe and vice-versa are required to spend the entire work day at that location;

Actual costs of meals may be reimbursed up to a total of \$40 per day without regard to how much is spent on individual meals (e.g., breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks), and without receipts. If an employee is on travel status for less than a full day, costs may be reimbursed for individual meals within the rates shown below.

Breakfasts may be reimbursed only if an employee's travel consists of at least 2 hours in duration before an employee's regular work hours. Dinner may be reimbursed if travel consists of at least 2 hours in duration after an employee's regular work hours.

Maximum Allowable Meal Reimbursement

Breakfast	\$ 8.00
Lunch	\$12.00
Dinner	\$20.00
Total for full day	\$40.00

d. Lodging

- (1) Lodging within county may be authorized by a department head if assigned activities require an employee to spend one or more nights in an area of the county which is distant from their place of residence

(e.g., western slope employee assigned to 2-day activity in South Lake Tahoe).

- (2) Lodging may be reimbursed up to \$125 per night, plus tax, single occupancy.
- (3) Single rates shall prevail except when the room is occupied by more than one County employee. However, nothing in this policy shall be construed to require employees to share sleeping accommodations while traveling on County business. In all travel, employees are expected to secure overnight accommodations as economically as possible and practical.
- (4) Lodging arrangements should be made, whenever possible and practicable, at hotels/motels which offer a government discount, will waive charges to counties for Transient Occupancy Tax, or at which the County has established an account. When staying at such a facility, the name of the employee and the department must appear on the receipt of the hotel/motel bill.

e. Other Expenses

All other reasonable and necessary expenses (i.e., parking, shuttle, taxi, etc.) will be reimbursed at cost if a receipt is submitted with the claim. Receipts are required except for those charges where receipts are not customarily issued, for example, bridge tolls and snow chain installation and removal fees. When specific cost guidelines are not provided by the county, reasonableness of the expense shall be considered by the department head and Chief Administrative Officer before deciding whether to approve.

Reasonable costs for snow chain installation and removal may be claimed and reimbursed. The purchase cost of snow chains would not be an allowable charge against the county.