

Nichols Consulting Engineers, CHTD.

FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES #6996

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT to that Agreement for Services #6996 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 Nichols Consulting Engineers, CHTD., a Nevada corporation duly qualified to conduct business in the State of California, whose principal place of business is 501 Canal Boulevard, Suite 1, Port Richmond, California 94804, and whose local address is 155 Highway 50, Suite 204, Stateline, Nevada 89449 (hereinafter referred to as "CONSULTANT");

R E C I T A L S

WHEREAS, Consultant has been engaged by County to provide environmental and engineering consulting services for the South Tahoe Greenway – Upper Truckee Bridge at Johnson Meadow Project for the Department of Transportation pursuant to Agreement for Services #6996, dated April 4, 2023 incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof (hereinafter referred to as "Agreement");

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to amend the Agreement to add additional work to Tasks 6, 13, and 14 of the project, amending **ARTICLE I, Scope of Work**, and adding **Exhibit A-1, Additional Scope of Work**;

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to amend the Agreement to update the cost proposal to reflect the new not-to-exceed amount of \$314,630, amending **ARTICLE II, Compensation for Services**, and adding **Amended Exhibit C, Amended Cost Proposal**;

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to amend the Agreement to increase the not-to-exceed compensation amount of the Agreement by \$54,695, for an updated not-to-exceed amount of \$314,630, amending **ARTICLE V, Allowable Costs and Payments**;

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to fully-replace or add specific Articles to include contract provisions required by the use of federal grant funds, and adding new **Exhibit F, California Levine Act Statement**;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual promises and covenants hereinafter contained, COUNTY and CONSULTANT mutually agree to amend the terms of the Agreement in this First Amendment to Agreement for Services #6996 on the following terms and conditions:

- I. **Exhibit A, Scope of Work**, is amended to include **Exhibit A-1**, marked "**Additional Scope of Work**," attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. All references to Exhibit A throughout the Agreement shall read Exhibit A and Exhibit A-1.

II. ARTICLE II, Compensation for Services, of the Agreement is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE II

Compensation for Services: For services provided herein, including all of the deliverables described in individual Work Orders issued pursuant to this Agreement, and including all of the forms and reports required under the DBE provisions of this Agreement; and including the progress reports required by ARTICLE III, Progress Reports, below, COUNTY agrees to pay CONSULTANT in arrears. Payment shall be made within forty-five (45) days following COUNTY's receipt and approval of itemized invoices detailing services rendered.

For the purposes hereof, the billing rates shall be in accordance with Exhibit B, marked "Rate Schedule," incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof. The hourly rates listed in Exhibit B may be adjusted to a maximum of four percent (4%) increase per year which shall require written approval and acceptance by COUNTY's Contract Administrator prior to the new rates becoming effective. Any rate increases authorized by COUNTY's Contract Administrator shall not increase the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement.

For the purposes of budgeting the Tasks in Exhibit A and Exhibit A-1, the billing amounts for each Task are identified in Amended Exhibit C, marked "Amended Cost Estimate," incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof. In the performance of the scope of services to be provided under this Agreement, CONSULTANT may request to reallocate the amounts listed in Amended Exhibit C, Amended Cost Estimate, among the Scope of Work Tasks, and Other Direct Costs and Mileage, Optional Services, and Subconsultants identified herein, subject to COUNTY Contract Administrator's prior written approval. In no event shall the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement be exceeded.

Subconsultant services and other direct costs including special reproductions, delivery charges, record searches, and other outside services authorized herein, shall be invoiced at CONSULTANT's cost, for the services rendered. Any invoices that include other direct costs shall be accompanied by backup documentation to substantiate CONSULTANT's costs for the services being billed on those invoices.

Reimbursement for mileage expenses for CONSULTANT and subconsultants, if applicable, shall not exceed the lesser of (1) the rates to be paid to COUNTY employees under the current Board of Supervisors Travel Policy at the time the mileage expenses are incurred; or (2) the rates authorized to be paid to rank and file state employees under the then current State of California Department of Personnel Administration (DPA) rules. References to the DPA rates and CONSULTANT's responsibilities for cost differences and any overpayments are

more fully described in ARTICLE VII, Cost Principles and Administrative Requirements, herein. Mileage reimbursement rates apply to CONSULTANT and to any subconsultants authorized under this Agreement. There shall be no markups allowed on mileage rates for CONSULTANT or for any subconsultant. Any reimbursements for mileage expenses will only be made if such expenses are included in Exhibit C. Travel costs (i.e., overnight lodging, meals, parking, airfare, bridge tolls, and other per diem expenses) will not be reimbursed as a direct cost for any services performed under this Agreement by CONSULTANT or by any authorized subconsultants. The total amount payable by COUNTY shall not exceed the amount agreed to in this Agreement, unless COUNTY's Contract Administrator and CONSULTANT amend this Agreement in writing and prior to the performance of the work.

In accordance with ARTICLE XII, State Prevailing Wage Rates, CONSULTANT shall provide COUNTY's Contract Administrator with certified payroll for applicable personnel for the period for which payment is requested and such certified payroll shall accompany each invoice submitted. The certified payroll shall contain information related only to the applicable project. No invoice shall be paid until the certified payroll is submitted. CONSULTANT shall keep payroll records in accordance with California Labor Code Section 1776.

III. ARTICLE V, Allowable Costs and Payments, of the Agreement is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE V

Allowable Costs and Payments:

- A. The method of payment for this Agreement will be based on actual cost plus a fixed fee. COUNTY will reimburse CONSULTANT for actual costs (including labor costs, employee benefits, travel, equipment rental costs, overhead and other direct costs) incurred by CONSULTANT in performance of the work. CONSULTANT will not be reimbursed for actual costs that exceed the estimated wage rates, employee benefits, travel, equipment rental, overhead, and other estimated costs set forth in the approved CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal, unless additional reimbursement is provided for by Agreement amendment. In no event, will CONSULTANT be reimbursed for overhead costs at a rate that exceeds COUNTY's approved overhead rate set forth in the Cost Proposal. In the event that COUNTY determines that a change to the work from that specified in the Cost Proposal and Agreement is required, the Agreement time or actual costs reimbursable by COUNTY shall be adjusted by Agreement amendment to accommodate the changed work. The maximum total cost as specified in Paragraph "I" of this Article shall not be exceeded, unless authorized by Agreement amendment.
- B. The indirect cost rate established for this Agreement is extended through the duration of this specific Agreement. CONSULTANT's agreement to the

extension of the 1-year applicable period shall not be a condition or qualification to be considered for the work or Agreement award.

- C. In addition to the allowable incurred costs, COUNTY will pay CONSULTANT a fixed fee of \$17,160.35. The fixed fee is nonadjustable for the term of the Agreement, except in the event of a significant change in the scope of work and such adjustment is made by Agreement amendment.
- D. CONSULTANT shall be responsible for any future adjustments to prevailing wage rates including, but not limited to, base hourly rates and employer payments as determined by the Department of Industrial Relations. CONSULTANT is responsible for paying the appropriate rate, including escalations that take place during the term of the Agreement.
- E. Reimbursement for mileage costs shall not exceed the rates as specified in ARTICLE VII, Cost Principles and Administrative Requirements.
- F. When milestone cost estimates are included in the approved Cost Proposal, CONSULTANT shall obtain prior written approval in the form of an Agreement amendment for a revised milestone cost estimate from COUNTY's Contract Administrator before exceeding such estimate.
- G. Progress payments will be made monthly in arrears based on services provided and allowable incurred costs. A pro rata portion of CONSULTANT's fixed fee will be included in the monthly progress payments. If CONSULTANT fails to submit the required deliverable items according to the schedule set forth in ARTICLE I Scope of Work, COUNTY shall have the right to delay payment or terminate this Agreement.
- H. No payment will be made prior to approval of any work, nor for any work performed prior to approval of this Agreement.
- I. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed promptly according to California Regulations upon receipt by COUNTY's Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in duplicate. Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the performance of work for which CONSULTANT is billing. Invoices shall detail the work performed on each milestone and each project as applicable. Invoices shall follow the format stipulated for the approved Cost Proposal and shall reference this Agreement number and project title. Final invoice must contain the final cost and all credits due COUNTY including any equipment purchased under the provisions of ARTICLE XI Equipment Purchase and Other Capital Expenditures. The final invoice should be submitted within sixty (60) calendar days after completion of CONSULTANT's work. Invoices shall be mailed to COUNTY's Contract Administrator at the following address:

County of El Dorado
Department of Transportation
2441 Headington Road
Placerville, California 95667
Attn.: Matt Gourley
Administrative Analyst

or to such other location as COUNTY directs.

- J. The total amount payable by COUNTY including the fixed fee and any Work Orders issued, shall not exceed \$314,630, as amended.
- K. For personnel subject to prevailing wage rates as described in the California Labor Code, all salary increases, which are the direct result of changes in the prevailing wage rates are reimbursable.

IV. The following articles are fully replaced in their entirety as follows:

ARTICLE VII

Cost Principles and Administrative Requirements:

- A. The CONSULTANT agrees that 48 CFR 31, Contract Cost Principles and Procedures, shall be used to determine the allowability of individual terms of cost.
- B. The CONSULTANT also agrees to comply with Federal procedures in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.
- C. Any costs for which payment has been made to the CONSULTANT that are determined by subsequent audit to be unallowable under 48 CFR 31 or 2 CFR 200 are subject to repayment by the CONSULTANT to COUNTY.
- D. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, payments to CONSULTANT for travel and subsistence (per diem) and mileage expenses, if applicable, for CONSULTANT's staff or for subconsultant's claims for reimbursement shall not exceed the lesser of (1) the rates to be paid to COUNTY employees under the current Board of Supervisors Travel Policy in effect at the time the expenses are incurred; or (2) the rates authorized to be paid to rank and file state employees under the then current State of California Department of Human Resources rates. These rates may be found at <http://www.calhr.ca.gov/employees/Pages/travel-reimbursements.aspx>. If the rates invoiced are in excess of these authorized rates, then CONSULTANT is responsible for the cost difference and any overpayments shall be reimbursed to COUNTY upon demand. For the purposes of this Agreement, only mileage expenses for CONSULTANT and for

subconsultants, if applicable, shall be eligible for reimbursement in accordance with ARTICLE II, Compensation for Services, above. No reimbursements for travel and subsistence (per diem) expenses for CONSULTANT or subconsultants shall be allowed.

- E. When a CONSULTANT or Subconsultant is a Non-Profit Organization or an Institution of Higher Education, the Cost Principles for Title 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards shall apply.

ARTICLE VIII

Retention of Record/Audits:

For the purpose of determining compliance with Gov. Code § 8546.7, the CONSULTANT, Subconsultants, and COUNTY shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, Independent CPA Audited Indirect Cost Rate workpapers, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of the Agreement including, but not limited to, the costs of administering the Agreement. All parties, including the CONSULTANT's Independent CPA, shall make such workpapers and materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during the Agreement period and for three (3) years from the date of final payment under the Agreement and records for real property and equipment acquired with federal funds must be retained for three (3) years after final disposition. COUNTY, Caltrans Auditor, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), or any duly authorized representative of the Federal government having jurisdiction under Federal laws or regulations (including the basis of Federal funding in whole or in part) shall have access to any books, records, and documents of the CONSULTANT, Subconsultants, and the CONSULTANT's Independent CPA, that are pertinent to the Agreement for audits, examinations, workpaper review, excerpts, and transactions, and copies thereof shall be furnished if requested without limitation.

ARTICLE IX

Audit Review Procedures:

- A. Any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under an interim or post audit of this Agreement that is not disposed of by Agreement, shall be reviewed by COUNTY'S Chief Financial Officer.
- B. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of the final audit report, CONSULTANT may request a review by COUNTY'S Chief Financial Officer of unresolved audit issues. The request for review will be submitted in writing.
- C. Neither the pendency of a dispute nor its consideration by COUNTY will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

- D. CONSULTANT and subconsultant Agreements, including cost proposals and Indirect Cost Rates (ICR), may be subject to audits or reviews such as, but not limited to, an agreement audit, an incurred cost audit, an ICR Audit, or a CPA ICR audit work paper review. If selected for audit or review, the Agreement, cost proposal and ICR and related work papers, if applicable, will be reviewed to verify compliance with 48 CFR 31 and other related laws and regulations. In the instances of a CPA ICR audit work paper review it is CONSULTANT's responsibility to ensure federal, COUNTY, or local government officials are allowed full access to the CPA's work papers including making copies as necessary. The Agreement, cost proposal, and ICR shall be adjusted by CONSULTANT and approved by COUNTY Contract Administrator to conform to the audit or review recommendations. CONSULTANT agrees that individual terms of costs identified in the audit report shall be incorporated into the Agreement by this reference if directed by COUNTY at its sole discretion. Refusal by CONSULTANT to incorporate audit or review recommendations, or to ensure that the federal, COUNTY or local governments have access to CPA work papers, will be considered a breach of Agreement terms and cause for termination of the Agreement and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.
- E. CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal may be subject to a CPA ICR Audit Work Paper Review and/or audit by the Independent Office of Audits and Investigations (IOAI). IOAI, at its sole discretion, may review and/or audit and approve the CPA ICR documentation. The Cost Proposal shall be adjusted by the CONSULTANT and approved by the COUNTY Contract Administrator to conform to the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report. Refusal by the CONSULTANT to incorporate the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report will be considered a breach of the Agreement terms and cause for termination of the Agreement and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.
1. During IOAI's review of the ICR audit work papers created by the CONSULTANT's independent CPA, IOAI will work with the CPA and/or CONSULTANT toward a resolution of issues that arise during the review. Each party agrees to use its best efforts to resolve any audit disputes in a timely manner. If IOAI identifies significant issues during the review and is unable to issue a cognizant approval letter, COUNTY will reimburse the CONSULTANT at an accepted ICR until a FAR (Federal Acquisition Regulation) compliant ICR {e.g. 48 CFR Part 31; GAGAS (Generally Accepted Auditing Standards); CAS (Cost Accounting Standards), if applicable; in accordance with procedures and guidelines of the American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Audit Guide; and other applicable procedures and guidelines} is received and approved by IOAI.

Accepted rates will be as follows:

- a. If the proposed rate is less than one hundred fifty percent (150%) - the accepted rate reimbursed will be ninety percent (90%) of the proposed rate.
 - b. If the proposed rate is between one hundred fifty percent (150%) and two hundred percent (200%) the accepted rate will be eighty-five percent (85%) of the proposed rate.
 - c. If the proposed rate is greater than two hundred percent (200%) -the accepted rate will be seventy-five percent (75%) of the proposed rate.
2. If IOAI is unable to issue a cognizant letter per paragraph E.1. above, IOAI may require CONSULTANT to submit a revised independent CPA-audited ICR and audit report within three (3) months of the effective date of the management letter. IOAI will then have up to six (6) months to review the CONSULTANT's and/or the independent CPA's revisions.
 3. If the CONSULTANT fails to comply with the provisions of this paragraph E, or if IOAI is still unable to issue a cognizant approval letter after the revised independent CPA audited ICR is submitted, overhead cost reimbursement will be limited to the accepted ICR that was established upon initial rejection of the ICR and set forth in paragraph E.1. above for all rendered services. In this event, this accepted ICR will become the actual and final ICR for reimbursement purposes under this Agreement.
 4. CONSULTANT may submit to COUNTY final invoice only when all of the following items have occurred: (1) IOAI accepts or adjusts the original or revised independent CPA audited ICR; (2) all work under this Agreement has been completed to the satisfaction of COUNTY; and, (3) IOAI has issued its final ICR review letter. The CONSULTANT MUST SUBMIT ITS FINAL INVOICE TO COUNTY no later than sixty (60) calendar days after occurrence of the last of these items. The accepted ICR will apply to this Agreement and all other agreements executed between COUNTY and the CONSULTANT, either as a prime or subconsultant, with the same fiscal period ICR.

ARTICLE XIII

Conflict of Interest:

- A. During the term of this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall disclose any financial, business, or other relationship with COUNTY that may have an impact upon the outcome of this Agreement or any ensuing COUNTY construction project. CONSULTANT shall also list current clients who may

have a financial interest in the outcome of this Agreement or any ensuing COUNTY construction project that will follow. CONSULTANT has acknowledged this interest of CONSULTANT and CONSULTANT has duly executed Exhibit C, marked "Interest of CONSULTANT Disclosure Statement," incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof.

- B. CONSULTANT certifies that it has disclosed to COUNTY any actual, apparent, or potential conflicts of interest that may exist relative to the services to be provided pursuant to this Agreement. CONSULTANT agrees to advise COUNTY of any actual, apparent or potential conflicts of interest that may develop subsequent to the date of execution of this Agreement. CONSULTANT further agrees to complete any statements of economic interest if required by either COUNTY ordinance or State law.
- C. CONSULTANT hereby certifies that it does not now have, nor shall it acquire, any financial or business interest that would conflict with the performance of services under this Agreement.
- D. CONSULTANT hereby certifies that CONSULTANT or subconsultant and any firm affiliated with CONSULTANT or subconsultant that bids on any construction contract or on any Agreement to provide construction inspection for any construction project resulting from this Agreement, has established necessary controls to ensure a conflict of interest does not exist. An affiliated firm is one, which is subject to the control of the same persons, through joint ownership or otherwise.
- E. CONSULTANT covenants that during the term of this Agreement neither it, or any officer or employee of CONSULTANT, 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 CONSULTANT becomes aware of a conflict of interest related to this Agreement, CONSULTANT 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 VI, Termination.
- F. Pursuant to Government Code section 84308 (SB 1439, the Levine Act), CONSULTANT shall complete and sign the attached Exhibit F, marked "California Levine Act Statement," incorporated herein and made by

reference a part hereof, regarding campaign contributions by CONSULTANT, if any, to any officer of COUNTY.

ARTICLE XVI

Non-Discrimination Clause and Statement of Compliance:

- A. CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein, and dated, shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that CONSULTANT has, unless exempt, complied with the nondiscrimination program requirements of Government Code § 12990 and 2 CCR §11102.
- B. During the performance of this Agreement, CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall not unlawfully discriminate, harass, or allow harassment against any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), mental disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), age (over 40), marital status, genetic information, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, or military and veteran status, and denial of family care leave. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment.
- C. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code § 12900 [a-f] et seq.) and the applicable regulations promulgated there under (2 CCR §11000 et seq.), the provisions of Gov. Code §§ 11135-11139.5, and the regulations or standards adopted by COUNTY to implement such article. The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code Section 12900 (a-f), set forth in Subchapter 5 of Chapter 5 of Division 4.1 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, are incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.
- D. CONSULTANT shall permit access by representatives of the Department of Fair Employment and Housing and County upon reasonable notice at any time during the normal business hours, but in no case less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice, to such of its books, records, accounts, and all other sources of information and its facilities as said Department or COUNTY shall require to ascertain compliance with this clause.
- E. CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other Agreement.

- F. CONSULTANT shall include the nondiscrimination and compliance provisions of this clause in all subcontracts to perform work under this Agreement.
- G. CONSULTANT with regard to the work performed under this AGREEMENT, shall act in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §2000d et seq.). Title VI provides that the recipients of federal assistance will implement and maintain a policy of nondiscrimination in which no person in the state of California shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability, be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or subject to discrimination under any program or activity by the recipients of federal assistance or their assignees and successors in interest.
- H. CONSULTANT shall comply with regulations relative to non-discrimination in federally assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation (49 CFR Part 21 - Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964). Specifically, CONSULTANT shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by 49 CFR §21.5, including employment practices and the selection and retention of Subconsultants.
- I. CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will never exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by 49 CFR 26 on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin. In administering the LOCAL AGENCY components of the DBE Program Plan, CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will not, directly, or through contractual or other arrangements, use criteria or methods of administration that have the effect of defeating or substantially impairing accomplishment of the objectives of the DBE Program Plan with respect to individuals of a particular race, color, sex, or national origin.
- J. CONSULTANT agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601);
 - Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 *et seq.*);
 - Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 *et seq.*), as amended; and 49 CFR Part 27;
 - The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 *et seq.*)
 - Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 U.S.C. § 471, Section 47123), as amended;
 - The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights

Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not); Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131-12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;

- The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to -ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq).

ARTICLE XXI

Ownership of Data: Upon completion or earlier termination of all services under this Agreement, or upon the completion or earlier termination of services provided in accordance with individual Task Orders and/or Work Orders issued pursuant to this Agreement, ownership and title to all reports, documents, plans, maps, specifications, estimates, compilations, photographs, videos, and any and all other materials or data produced or obtained as part of this Agreement will automatically be vested in COUNTY without restriction or limitation on their use, and no further agreement will be necessary to transfer ownership to COUNTY. Copies may be made for CONSULTANT's records, but shall not be furnished to others without prior written authorization from COUNTY's Contract Administrator. Such deliverables shall be deemed works made for hire and all rights in copyright therein shall be retained by COUNTY. CONSULTANT shall furnish COUNTY all necessary copies of data,

including data stored in electronic format, needed to complete the review and approval process of the services and deliverables provided under this Agreement.

ARTICLE XXIV

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 understood that this Agreement does not create an exclusive relationship between COUNTY and CONSULTANT, and CONSULTANT may perform similar work or services for others. However, CONSULTANT 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 CONSULTANT'S responsibilities or hinder CONSULTANT'S performance of services hereunder, unless COUNTY'S Contract Administrator, in writing, authorizes that agreement or sharing of information.

ARTICLE XXV

Confidentiality

- A. CONSULTANT and any subconsultants authorized under this Agreement shall maintain the confidentiality and privileged nature of all records, including billing records, all financial, statistical, personal, technical, or other data and information relative to COUNTY's operations 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, including any subconsultants authorized herein, shall not use or disclose, directly or indirectly at any time, any said confidential information, other than to COUNTY's Department of Transportation or to such person with COUNTY's consent for the purpose of, and in the performance of, this Agreement.
- B. Permission granted by COUNTY to disclose information on one occasion shall not authorize CONSULTANT or any subconsultants authorized under this Agreement to further disclose such information or disseminate the same on any other occasion.
- C. CONSULTANT and any subconsultants authorized under this Agreement shall not comment publicly to the press or any other media regarding this Agreement or COUNTY's actions on the same, except to COUNTY's staff, CONSULTANT's own personnel or authorized subconsultants involved in the performance of this Agreement, at public hearings, or in response to questions from COUNTY's Board of Supervisors.

- D. CONSULTANT and any subconsultants authorized under this Agreement shall not issue any news release or public relations item of any nature, whatsoever, regarding services performed or to be performed under this Agreement without prior review of the contents thereof by COUNTY and receipt of COUNTY's Contract Administrator's written permission.
- E. All information related to any construction estimates prepared or otherwise obtained in the performance of this Agreement is confidential and shall not be disclosed by CONSULTANT to any entity other than to COUNTY.
- F. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this Agreement shall contain all of the provisions of this Article.
- G. This confidentiality provision shall survive after the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XLIV

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Participation:

- A. CONSULTANT, COUNTY, or subconsultant shall take necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that DBEs have opportunities to participate in the contract (49 CFR 26). To ensure equal participation of DBEs provided in 49 CFR 26.5, COUNTY shows a contract goal for DBEs. CONSULTANT shall make work available to DBEs and select work parts consistent with available DBE subconsultants and suppliers.

CONSULTANT shall meet the DBE goal shown elsewhere in these special provisions or demonstrate that they made adequate good faith efforts to meet this goal. It is CONSULTANT's responsibility to verify that the DBE firm is certified as DBE at date of proposal opening and document the record by printing out the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) data for each DBE firm. A list of DBEs certified by the CUCP can be found at <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/civil-rights/dbe-search>.

All DBE participation will count toward the California Department of Transportation's federally mandated statewide overall DBE goal. Credit for materials or supplies CONSULTANT purchases from DBEs counts towards the goal in the following manner:

- 100 percent counts if the materials or supplies are obtained from a DBE manufacturer.
- 60 percent counts if the materials or supplies are purchased from a DBE regular dealer.

- Only fees, commissions, and charges for assistance in the procurement and delivery of materials or supplies count if obtained from a DBE that is neither a manufacturer nor regular dealer. 49CFR26.55 defines "manufacturer" and "regular dealer."

This Agreement is subject to 49 C.F.R. § 26 entitled "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs." Consultants who obtain DBE participation on this Agreement shall assist Caltrans in meeting its federally mandated statewide overall DBE goal.

- B. The goal for DBE participation for this Agreement is 9%. Participation by DBE CONSULTANT or subconsultants shall be in accordance with information contained in the Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment (Exhibit 10-O1) or in the Consultant Contract DBE Commitment (Exhibit 10-O2). If a DBE subconsultant is unable to perform, CONSULTANT must make a good faith effort to replace him/her with another DBE subconsultant, if the goal is not otherwise met.
- C. CONSULTANT can meet the DBE participation goal by either documenting commitments to DBEs to meet the Agreement goal, or by documenting adequate good faith efforts to meet the Agreement goal. An adequate good faith effort means that the CONSULTANT must show that it took all necessary and reasonable steps to achieve a DBE goal that, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, could reasonably be expected to meet the DBE goal. If CONSULTANT has not met the DBE goal, complete and submit Exhibit 15-H: Proposer/Contractor Good Faith Efforts to document efforts to meet the goal. Refer to 49 CFR 26 for guidance regarding evaluation of good faith efforts to meet the DBE goal.

D. Contract Assurance

Under 49 CFR 26.13(b):

CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. CONSULTANT shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR 26 in the award and administration of federal-aid contracts.

Failure by CONSULTANT to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- 1) Withholding monthly progress payments;

- 2) Assessing sanctions;
- 3) Liquidating damages; and/or
- 4) Disqualifying CONSULTANT from future proposing as non-responsible

E. Termination and Replacement of DBE Subconsultants

CONSULTANT shall utilize the specific DBEs listed to perform the work and supply the materials for which each is listed unless CONSULTANT or DBE subconsultant obtains COUNTY's written consent. CONSULTANT shall not terminate or replace a listed DBE for convenience and perform the work with their own forces or obtain materials from other sources without the authorization from COUNTY. Unless COUNTY's consent is provided, CONSULTANT shall not be entitled to any payment for work or material used unless it is performed or supplied by listed DBE on the Exhibit 10-02 Consultant Contract DBE Commitment form, included in the bid.

Termination of DBE Subconsultants

After execution of the Agreement, termination of a DBE may be allowed for the following, but not limited to, justifiable reasons with prior written authorization from COUNTY:

- 1) Listed DBE fails or refuses to execute a written contract based on plans and specifications for the project.
- 2) COUNTY stipulated that a bond is a condition of executing the subcontract and the listed DBE fails to meet the COUNTY's bond requirements.
- 3) Work requires a consultant's license and listed DBE does not have a valid license under Contractors License Law.
- 4) Listed DBE fails or refuses to perform the work or furnish the listed materials (failing or refusing to perform is not an allowable reason to remove a DBE if the failure or refusal is a result of bad faith or discrimination).
- 5) Listed DBE's work is unsatisfactory and not in compliance with the contract.
- 6) Listed DBE is ineligible to work on the project because of suspension or debarment.

- 7) Listed DBE becomes bankrupt or insolvent or exhibits credit unworthiness.
- 8) Listed DBE voluntarily withdraws with written notice from the contract.
- 9) Listed DBE is ineligible to receive credit for the type of work required.
- 10) Listed DBE owner dies or becomes disabled resulting in the inability to perform the work on the contract.
- 11) COUNTY determines other documented good cause.

CONSULTANT must use the following procedures to request the termination of a DBE or portion of a DBE's work:

- 1) Send a written notice to the DBE of the CONSULTANT's intent to use other forces or material sources and include one or more justifiable reasons listed above. Simultaneously send a copy of this written notice to COUNTY. The written notice to the DBE must request they provide any response within five (5) business days to both the CONSULTANT and COUNTY by either acknowledging their agreement or documenting their reasoning as to why the use of other forces or sources of materials should not occur.
- 2) If the DBE does not respond within five (5) business days, CONSULTANT may move forward with the request as if the DBE had agreed to CONSULTANT's written notice.
- 3) Submit CONSULTANT's DBE termination request by written letter to the COUNTY and include:
 - One or more above listed justifiable reasons along with supporting documentation.
 - CONSULTANT's written notice to the DBE regarding the request, including proof of transmission and tracking documentation of CONSULTANT's written notice
 - The DBE's response to CONSULTANT's written notice, if received. If a written response was not provided, provide a statement to that effect.

COUNTY shall respond in writing to CONSULTANT's DBE termination request within five (5) business days.

Replacement of DBE Subconsultants

After receiving COUNTY's written authorization of DBE termination request, CONSULTANT must obtain COUNTY's written agreement for DBE replacement. CONSULTANT must find or demonstrate GFES to find qualified DBE replacement firms to perform the work to the extent needed to meet the DBE commitment.

The following procedures shall be followed to request authorization to replace a DBE firm:

1. Submit a request to replace a DBE with other forces or material sources in writing to COUNTY which must include:
 - a. Description of remaining uncommitted work item made available for replacement DBE solicitation and participation.
 - b. The proposed DBE replacement firm's business information, the work they have agreed to perform, and the following:
 - Description of scope of work and cost proposal
 - Proposed subcontract agreement and written confirmation of agreement to perform on the Contract
 - Revised Exhibit 10-O2: Consultant Contract DBE Commitment
2. If CONSULTANT has not identified a DBE replacement firm, submits documentation of CONSULTANT's GFES to use DBE replacement firms within seven (7) days of COUNTY's authorization to terminate the DBE. CONSULTANT may request COUNTY's approval to extend this submittal period to a total of fourteen (14) days. Submit documentation of actions taken to find a DBE replacement firm, such as:
 - Search results of certified DBEs available to perform the original DBE work identified and or other work CONSULTANT had intended to self-perform, to the extent needed to meet DBE commitment
 - Solicitations of DBEs for performance of work identified
 - Correspondence with interested DBEs that may have included contract details and requirements

- Negotiation efforts with DBEs that reflect why an agreement was not reached
- If a DBE's quote was rejected, provide reasoning for the rejection, such as why the DBE was unqualified for the work, or why the price quote was unreasonable or excessive
- Copies of each DBE's and non-DBE's price quotes for work identified, as COUNTY may contact the firms to verify solicitation efforts and determine if the DBE quotes are substantially higher
- Additional documentation that supports CONSULTANT's GFE

COUNTY shall respond in writing to CONSULTANT's DBE replacement request within five (5) business days.

F. Commitment and Utilization

COUNTY's DBE program must include a monitoring and enforcement mechanism to ensure that DBE commitments reconcile to DBE utilization.

COUNTY shall request CONSULTANT to:

- 1) Notify COUNTY's contract administrator or designated representative of any changes to its anticipated DBE participation
- 2) Provide this notification before starting the affected work
- 3) Maintain records including:
 - Name and business address of each 1st-tier subconsultant
 - Name and business address of each DBE subconsultant, DBE vendor, and DBE trucking company, regardless of tier
 - Date of payment and total amount paid to each business (see Exhibit 9-F *Monthly Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Payment*)

If CONSULTANT is a DBE CONSULTANT, they shall include the date of work performed by their own forces and the corresponding value of their work.

If a DBE is decertified before completing its work, the DBE must notify CONSULTANT in writing of the decertification date. If a business becomes a certified DBE before completing its work, the business must notify CONSULTANT in writing of the certification date. CONSULTANT shall submit the notifications to COUNTY. On work completion, CONSULTANT shall complete a Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Certification Status Change, Exhibit 17-O, form and submit the form to COUNTY within thirty (30) days of contract acceptance.

Upon work completion, CONSULTANT shall complete Exhibit 17-F Final Report – Utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), First-Tier Subcontractors and submit it to the COUNTY within ninety (90) days of contract acceptance. The COUNTY will withhold \$10,000 until the form is submitted. The COUNTY will release the withhold upon submission of the completed form.

If COUNTY reports of DBE participation to Caltrans, the COUNTY must display both commitments and attainments.

G. Commercially Useful Function (CUF)

DBEs must perform a commercially useful function (CUF) under 49 CFR 26.55 when performing work or supplying materials listed on the DBE Commitment form. The DBE value of work will only count toward the DBE commitment if the DBE performs a CUF. A DBE performs a CUF when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To perform a CUF, the DBE must also be responsible with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material, and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself.

CONSULTANT must perform CUF evaluation for each DBE working on a federal-aid contract, with or without a DBE goal. Perform a CUF evaluation at the beginning of the DBE's work and continue to monitor the performance of CUF for the duration of the project.

CONSULTANT must provide written notification to COUNTY at least fifteen (15) days in advance of each DBE's initial performance of work or supplying materials for the Contract. The notification must include the DBE's name, work the DBE will perform on the contract, and the location, date, and time of where their work will take place.

Within ten (10) days of a DBE initially performing work or supplying materials on the Contract, CONSULTANT shall submit to the LPA the

initial evaluation and validation of DBE performance of a CUF using the LAPM 9-J: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Commercially Useful Function Evaluation. Include the following information with the submittal:

- Subcontract agreement with the DBE
- Purchase orders
- Bills of lading
- Invoices
- Proof of payment

CONSULTANT must monitor all DBE's performance of CUF by conducting quarterly evaluations and validations throughout their duration of work on the Contract using the LAPM 9-J: DBE Commercially Useful Function Evaluation. CONSULTANT must submit to COUNTY these quarterly evaluations and validations by the 5th of the month for the previous three months of work.

CONSULTANT must notify COUNTY immediately if they believe the DBE may not be performing a CUF. COUNTY will verify DBEs performance of CUF by reviewing the initial and quarterly submissions of LAPM 9-J: DBE Commercially Useful Function Evaluation, submitted supporting information, field observations, and through any additional COUNTY evaluations. The COUNTY must evaluate DBEs and their CUF performance throughout the duration of a Contract. COUNTY will provide written notice to the CONSULTANT and the DBE at least two (2) business days prior to any evaluation. The CONSULTANT and the DBE must participate in the evaluation. Upon completing the evaluation, COUNTY must share the evaluation results with the CONSULTANT and the DBE. An evaluation could include items that must be remedied upon receipt. If COUNTY determines the DBE is not performing a CUF, the CONSULTANT must suspend performance of the noncompliant work.

CONSULTANT and DBEs must submit any additional CUF related records and documents within five (5) business days of COUNTY's request such as:

- Proof of ownership or lease and rental agreements for equipment
- Tax records
- Employee rosters

- Certified payroll records
- Inventory rosters

Failure to submit required DBE Commercially Useful Function Evaluation forms or requested records and documents can result in withholding of payment for the value of work completed by the DBE.

If CONSULTANT and/or COUNTY determine that a listed DBE is not performing a CUF in performance of their DBE committed work, CONSULTANT must immediately suspend performance of the noncompliant portion of the work. COUNTY may deny payment for the noncompliant portion of the work. COUNTY will ask the CONSULTANT to submit a corrective action plan (CAP) to the COUNTY within five (5) days of the noncompliant CUF determination. The CAP must identify how the CONSULTANT will correct the noncompliance findings for the remaining portion of the DBE's work. COUNTY has five (5) days to review the CAP in conjunction with the CONSULTANT's review. The CONSULTANT must implement the CAP within five (5) days of COUNTY's approval. COUNTY will then authorize the prior noncompliant portion of work for the DBE's committed work.

If corrective actions cannot be accomplished to ensure the DBE performs a commercially useful function on the Contract, CONSULTANT may have good cause to request termination of the DBE.

- H. A DBE does not perform a CUF if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract, or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation. In determining whether a DBE is such an extra participant, examine similar transactions, particularly those in which DBEs do not participate.
- I. If a DBE does not perform or exercise responsibility for at least thirty percent (30%) of the total cost of its contract with its own work force, or the DBE subcontracts a greater portion of the work of the contract than would be expected on the basis of normal industry practice for the type of work involved, it will be presumed that it is not performing a CUF.
- J. CONSULTANT shall maintain records of materials purchased or supplied from all subcontracts entered into with certified DBEs. The records shall show the name and business address of each DBE or vendor and the total dollar amount actually paid each DBE or vendor, regardless of tier. The records shall show the date of payment and the total dollar figure paid to all firms. DBE prime consultants shall also show the date of work performed by their own forces along with the corresponding dollar value of the work.

- K. If a DBE subconsultant is decertified during the life of the Agreement, the decertified subconsultant shall notify CONSULTANT in writing with the date of decertification. If a subconsultant becomes a certified DBE during the life of the Agreement, the subconsultant shall notify CONSULTANT in writing with the date of certification. Any changes should be reported to COUNTY's Contract Administrator within thirty (30) days.
- L. For projects awarded on or after March 1, 2020, but before September 1, 2023: after submitting an invoice for reimbursement that includes a payment to a DBE, but no later than the 10th of the following month, the prime contractor/consultant must complete and email Exhibit 9-F: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Running Tally of Payments to business.support.unit@dot.ca.gov with a copy to local administering agencies.

For projects awarded on or after September 1, 2023: Exhibit 9-F is no longer required. Instead, by the 15th of the month following the month of any payment(s), the CONSULTANT must now submit Exhibit 9-P to COUNTY administering the contract. If the CONSULTANT does not make any payments to subconsultants, supplier(s), and/or manufacturers they must report "no payments were made to subs this month" and write this visibly and legibly on Exhibit 9-P.

- M. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this Agreement shall contain all of the provisions of this section.

III. The following articles are added to the Agreement:

ARTICLE LXII

Electronic Signatures: Each party agrees that the electronic signatures, whether digital or encrypted, of the parties included in this Agreement, are intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as manual signatures. Electronic Signature means any electronic visual symbol or signature attached to or logically associated with a record and executed and adopted by a party with the intent to sign such record, including facsimile or email electronic signatures, pursuant to the California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1633.1 to 1633.17) as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE LXIII

Title Vi Assurances:

APPENDICES A - E of the TITLE VI ASSURANCES

[The U.S. Department of Transportation Order No.1050.2A requires all federal-aid Department of Transportation contracts between an agency and a consultant to contain Appendices A and E of the Title VI Assurances. Include Appendices B,

C, and D if applicable as shown below. In addition, the consultant must include the Title VI Assurances Appendices A and E, and if applicable Appendices B, C, and D in all subcontracts to perform work under the contract.

The clauses of Appendix B of this Assurance shall be included as a covenant running with the land, in any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use, or improvements thereon or interest therein to COUNTY.

The clauses set forth in Appendix C and Appendix D of this Assurance shall be included as a covenant running with the land, in any future deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the COUNTY with other parties:

- a. for the subsequent transfer of real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program; and
- b. for the construction or use of, or access to, space on, over, or under real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program.]

APPENDIX A

During the performance of this Agreement, the contractor, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest (hereinafter collectively referred to as CONSULTANT) agrees as follows:

- a. Compliance with Regulations: CONSULTANT shall comply with the regulations relative to nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the REGULATIONS), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this agreement.
- b. Nondiscrimination: CONSULTANT, with regard to the work performed by it during the AGREEMENT, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, or disability in the selection and retention of sub-applicants, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. CONSULTANT shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the agreement covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- c. Solicitations for Sub-agreements, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment: In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by CONSULTANT for work to be performed under a Sub- agreement, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential sub-applicant or supplier shall be notified by

CONSULTANT of the CONSULTANT'S obligations under this Agreement and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

- d. Information and Reports: CONSULTANT shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the recipient or FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations or directives. Where any information required of CONSULTANT is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, CONSULTANT shall so certify to the recipient or FHWA as appropriate and shall set forth what efforts CONSULTANT has made to obtain the information.
- e. Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of CONSULTANT's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this agreement, the recipient shall impose such agreement sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - i. withholding of payments to CONSULTANT under the Agreement within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed 90 days; and/or
 - ii. cancellation, termination or suspension of the Agreement, in whole or in part.
- f. Incorporation of Provisions: CONSULTANT shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every sub-agreement, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto.

CONSULTANT shall take such action with respect to any sub-agreement or procurement as the recipient or FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance, provided, however, that, in the event CONSULTANT becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a sub-applicant or supplier as a result of such direction, CONSULTANT may request the recipient enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the State, and, in addition, CONSULTANT may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

APPENDIX B

CLAUSES FOR DEEDS TRANSFERRING UNITED STATES PROPERTY

The following clauses will be included in deeds effecting or recording the transfer of real property, structures, or improvements thereon, or granting interest therein from the United States pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 4:

NOW THEREFORE, the U.S. Department of Transportation as authorized by law

and upon the condition that the recipient will accept title to the lands and maintain the project constructed thereon in accordance with Title 23 U.S.C., the regulations for the administration of the preceding statute, and the policies and procedures prescribed by the FHWA of the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance and in compliance with all requirements imposed by Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation pertaining to and effectuating the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252; 42 U.S.C. § 2000d to 2000d-4), does hereby remise, release, quitclaim and convey unto the recipient all the right, title and interest of the U.S. Department of Transportation in and to said lands described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(HABENDUM CLAUSE)

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said lands and interests therein unto the recipient and its successors forever, subject, however, to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and reservations herein contained as follows, which will remain in effect for the period during which the real property or structures are used for a purpose for which Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits and will be binding on the recipient, its successors and assigns. The recipient, in consideration of the conveyance of said lands and interest in lands, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land for itself, its successors and assigns, that (1) no person will on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination with regard to any facility located wholly or in part on, over, or under such lands hereby conveyed [,] [and]* (2) that the recipient will use the lands and interests in lands and interest in lands so conveyed, in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and as said Regulations and Acts may be amended [, and (3) that in the event of breach of any of the above mentioned non-discrimination conditions, the Department will have a right to enter or re-enter said lands and facilities on said lands, and that above described land and facilities will thereon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the U.S. Department of Transportation and its assigns as such interest existed prior to this instruction].* (*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

APPENDIX C

CLAUSES FOR TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED OR IMPROVED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY, OR PROGRAM

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, leases, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the recipient pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 7(a):

- A. The (grantee, lessee, permittee, etc. as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree [in the case of deeds and leases add “as a covenant running with the land”] that:
 - 1. In the event facilities are constructed, maintained, or otherwise operated on the property described in this (deed, license, lease, permit, etc.) for a purpose for which a U.S. Department of Transportation activity, facility, or program is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits, the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will maintain and operate such facilities and services in compliance with all requirements imposed by the Acts and Regulations(as may be amended) such that no person on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.
- B. With respect to licenses, leases, permits, etc., in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, the recipient will have the right to terminate the (lease, license, permit, etc.) and to enter, re-enter, and repossess said lands and facilities thereon, and hold the same as if the (lease, license, permit, etc.) had never been made or issued.*
- C. With respect to a deed, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, the recipient will have the right to enter or re-enter the lands and facilities thereon, and the above-described lands and facilities will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the recipient and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

APPENDIX D

CLAUSES FOR CONSTRUCTION/USE/ACCESS TO REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY OR PROGRAM

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, permits, or similar instruments/agreements entered into by the recipient pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 7(b):

- A. The (grantee, licensee, permittee, etc., as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest ,and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree (in the

case of deeds and leases add, “as a covenant running with the land”) that (1) no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities, (2) that in the construction of any improvements on, over, or under such land, and the furnishings of services thereon, no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits or, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination, (3) that the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will use the premises in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Acts and Regulations, as amended, set forth in this Assurance.

- B. With respect to (licenses, leases, permits, etc.) in the event of breach of any of the above of the above Non-discrimination covenants, the recipient will have the right to terminate the (license, permits, etc., as appropriate) and to enter or re-enter and repossess said land and the facilities thereon, and hold the same as if said (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) had never been made or issued.*
- C. With respect to deeds, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, the recipient will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the recipient and its assigns.

APPENDIX E

During the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “CONSULTANT”) agrees to comply with the following nondiscrimination statutes and authorities, including, but not limited to:

Pertinent Non-Discrimination Authorities:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21.
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.), prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex;
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CR Part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 U.S.C. § 471, Section

47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);

- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms “programs or activities” to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 – 12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration’s Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of Limited English Proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C.1681 et seq).

Except as herein amended, all other parts and sections of Agreement for Services #6996 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this First Amendment to Agreement for Services #6996 on the dates indicated below.

-- COUNTY OF EL DORADO --

By: _____

Dated: _____

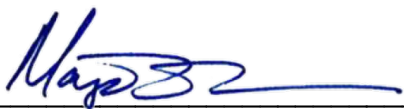
Board of Supervisors
"County"

Attest:
Kim Dawson
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors


By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Dated: _____

-- NICHOLS CONSULTING ENGINEERS, CHTD. --

By: _____
Margot Yapp
President
"CONSULTANT"

Dated: June 26, 2024

By: _____
Michael J. Leacox
Assistant Treasurer/Vice President

Dated: June 26, 2024

Nichols Consulting Engineers, CHTD.

Exhibit A-1

Additional Scope of Work

TASK 6: ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY REPORT AND HISTORIC PROPERTY SURVEY REPORT

Given recent input from Caltrans, new tasks are added including developing and Extended Phase I (XPI) work plan approach, conducting XPI fieldwork, preparing an updated ASR, preparing an Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) Action Plan, preparing a Finding of Effect (FOE) Report, and finally preparing the HPSR. CONSULTANT will also re-engage with the Washoe Tribe to notify them of project developments.

Activities:

- Via email, agree on the XPI Work Plan approach with Caltrans
- Conduct a Caltrans XPI involving hand excavation for the presence/absence of buried cultural material. Findings will be presented in a combined and updated ASR/XPI document.
- Re-engage with Washoe Tribe to discuss new project developments (all correspondence will be provided in an appendix of the ASR/XPI document).

Deliverables:

- Draft and Final ASR/XPI document. The ASR will be updated with the XPI Plan approach and results including updated site forms.
- Draft and Final ESA Action Plan.
- Draft and Final FOE Report.
- Draft and Final HPSR.

Duration:

- XPI Approach to be finalized in March 2024.
- XPI field work will begin once the snow melts and take approximately one week.
- Updated ASR/XPI, ESA Action Plan, FOE Report, and HPSR will be completed by mid-summer 2024.

TASK 12: LABORATORY ANALYSIS

Laboratory Testing	Number of Tests
Moisture content	13
Gradation/sieve analysis	13
Atterberg Limits	13

TASK 13: SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION REPORT

13.1 GEOPHYSICAL SUBSURFACE TESTING

Given the review comments on the draft geotechnical report from the structural design engineer and the geotechnical engineer who is proposed to complete the final foundation design report for the project, additional geotechnical field investigation and associated laboratory testing tasks are necessary to finalize a preliminary geotechnical investigation report for the project. CONSULTANT to complete a geophysical survey to measure shear wave velocity profiles east and west of the Upper Truckee River (River).

Activities:

- Completion of refraction microtremor (ReMi) shear wave velocity geophysical surveys along two lines; one each line east and west of the river approximately centering the locations of the east and west abutments of the proposed bridge crossing.
- Analyze field data to develop seismic shear wave velocity profiles to a depth of 100 feet below existing ground surface.
- Provide estimate weighted average shear wave velocities (VS30) to define seismic site class for subsurface soils east and west of the river in accordance with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) standards.

Deliverables:

- Incorporation of results into Draft Interim preliminary geotechnical report. This report will also incorporate the revision to address the review comments including the laboratory gradation test results for the soil samples collected from east and west banks of Upper Truckee River at bridge crossing.

Duration:

- Complete the geophysical investigation and issue the draft interim preliminary geotechnical report within four (4) weeks after receiving the fully executed Agreement from County.

13.2 DEEP SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION

In order to reveal subsurface soils profile through deeper horizon for the anticipated driven pile foundation depth, CONSULTANT to complete a new deep boring west of the Upper Truckee River. The new boring B-02A will be advanced west of previous boring B-02 utilizing similar methods. A track-mounted drill rig will be utilized considering the access along the unimproved path within Johnson Meadows area off Winnemucca Avenue. The new boring will be advanced via mud rotary drilling technique below groundwater table similar to previous borings.

Activities:

- Coordination, permit costs, and submittal of well drilling permit application to obtain permit from El Dorado County Environmental Management Department.
- Mark the site for utility clearance by USA prior to exploration.
- Advancement of a new 80-foot-deep geotechnical boring.
- Log material encountered during exploration and test representative samples.
- Preparation of final boring log and laboratory testing results for inclusion in final preliminary geotechnical investigation report.

Deliverables:

- Incorporate the boring log of the deep boring to issue a Final Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation Report. This final report will also include any needed revision to address the review comments provided by the County on the draft interim report issued as part of Task 13.1.

Duration:

- Complete the field exploration and subsurface investigation within twelve (12) weeks after receiving the fully executed Agreement from County.

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Amended Exhibit C

Amended Cost Proposal

Task	Description		
1	Project Management/ Meetings/ Coordination	\$	21,910
2	Area of Potential Effects Map	\$	524.13
3	Delineation of Waters of the United States and Wetland Assessment	\$	12,992
4	Sierra Nevada Yellow-Legged Frog Site Assessment	\$	5,097
5	Biological Assessment	\$	8,984
6	Archaeological Survey Report / Historic Property Survey Report	\$	76,576.87
7	Natural Environmental Study	\$	14,717
8	Visual Resources Technical Memorandum	\$	1,264
9	National Environmental Policy Act Categorical Exclusion and California Environmental Quality Act Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration	\$	51,009
10	Permit Applications	\$	25,699
11	Geologic Site Review/ Field Exploration and Subsurface Investigation	\$	3,293
12	Laboratory Analysis	\$	823
13	Subsurface Investigation Report	\$	2,058
14	Design Review and Consultation	\$	617
	Optional Services*		
	Consultant Subtotal	\$	225,564
	Consultant Other Direct Costs and Mileage	\$	5,190
	Subconsultant: Design Workshop		
	Subconsultant Total	\$	14,900
	Subconsultant: Corestone Engineering		
	Subconsultant Total	\$	68,975
	Total Proposed Agreement Budget Cost Estimate	\$	314,630

*Optional Services will only be assigned if there is funding available from the budget for the tasks listed herein.

All expenses and their distribution among Tasks are estimates only. This exhibit represents the composition of the total not- to-exceed budget for this Agreement. In the performance of the Scope of Work to be provided in accordance with this budget, Consultant may request to reallocate the expenses listed herein among the various

Scope of Work Tasks, Other Direct Costs and Mileage, Optional Services and Subconsultant identified herein, subject to County's Contract Administrator's prior written approval. In no event shall the total not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement be exceeded.

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Exhibit F

California Levine Act Statement

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California Government Code section 84308, commonly referred to as the "Levine Act," prohibits any officer of El Dorado County from participating in any action related to a contract if he or she accepts, solicits, or directs any political contributions totaling more than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) within the previous twelve (12) months, and for twelve (12) months following the date a final decision concerning the contract has been made, from the person or company awarded the contract. The Levine Act also requires disclosure of such contribution by a party to be awarded a specific contract. An officer of El Dorado County includes the Board of Supervisors, any elected official, and the chief administrative officer (collectively "Officer"). It is the Consultant's responsibility to confirm the appropriate "Officer" and name the individual(s) in their disclosure.

Have you or your company, or any agent on behalf of you or your company, made any political contribution(s), or been solicited to make a contribution by an Officer or had an Officer direct you to make a contribution of more than \$250 to an Officer of the County of El Dorado in the twelve months preceding the date of the submission of your proposals or the anticipated date of any Officer action related to this contract?

____ YES X NO

If yes, please identify the person(s) by name:

Do you or your company, or any agency on behalf of you or your company, anticipate or plan to make any political contribution(s) of more than \$250 to an Officer of the County of El Dorado in the twelve months following any Officer action related to this contract?

____ YES X NO

If yes, please identify the person(s) by name:

Answering YES to either of the two questions above does not preclude the County of El Dorado from awarding a contract to your firm or any taking any subsequent action related to the contract. It does, however, preclude the identified Officer(s) from participating in any actions related to this contract.

June 26, 2024

Date

Nichols Consulting Engineers

Type or write name of company



Signature of authorized individual

Michael J. Leacox, V.P.

Type or write name of authorized individual