



Legislation Text

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Community Development Agency, Environmental Management Division, recommending the Board authorize the Chair to sign Amendment 2 to Agreement No. 248-S1211 between the County of El Dorado and Decade Software Company for additional services and licensing required to implement the Press Agent Software module for the Envision Connect software application.

**FUNDING:** Grant Funded.

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY:</b>	
Total Estimated Cost...Amd 2	\$ 7,245
Budgeted.....	\$161,174
New Funding.....	
Savings.....	
Other.....	
Total Funding Available.....	\$161,174
Change To Net County Cost.....	\$0

**Background**

In April 2012, Environmental Management (EM) upgraded its propriety software application from Envision to Envision Connect. The Envision Connect software is a data management system used to manage all regulatory programs and processes in a single, consolidated database. The database allows EM to manage compliance tracking, logging violations, tracking inspections and results, and documenting compliance efforts for all program areas such as food programs and protection, recreational health, water systems, septic systems, hazardous materials, solid waste and vector control. Some of this data is required to be shared with the State of California and data exchange protocols permit the data to be transmitted electronically.

The Press Agent, recently developed by Decade Software for Envision Connect, is used for publishing restaurant inspections and violations from the Envision Connect Management System. This will allow the public to search and view inspection reports, view permits, and violations on-line. Although copies of inspection reports can be obtained at the Environmental Management office, on-line access will reduce staff time required to obtain the reports from the database. The Press Agent Software module also lets the user search for information using multiple variables including business name, address, program and date.

**Reason for Recommendation**

Easy access to inspection reports, permit information and violations cited, empowers the public with information on businesses permitted or registered by Environmental Management and gives the customer the opportunity to review the performance of a business based on that business' compliance with state and local regulations. On-line access to inspection reports also provides an incentive for those businesses to be responsible for ensuring a safe and healthy environment for their customers because the information on their performance is easily accessible on the Internet.

**Action to be taken following Board approval**

1. The Chair will sign two originals of the Amendment.
2. The Clerk of the Board will return one fully executed original of the Amendment to the Community Development Agency, Environmental Management Division for transmittal to the consultant.

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**Concurrences:** County Counsel and Risk Management