

LAKE ARROWHEAD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 25, 2017

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Lake Arrowhead Community Services District

FROM: 
AIDA HERCULES-DODARO, District Engineer


CATHERINE CERRI, General Manager

SUBJECT: CONSIDER AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE SHELTER COVE/ AGUA FRIA SEWER REHABILITATION PHASE 2 PROJECT NO. 155

A. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Directors:

1. Award a contract for the construction of the Shelter Cove/ Agua Fria Sewer Rehabilitation Phase 2, Project No. 155 ("Project") to Nu-Line Technologies, LLC (Nu-Line) for their low responsive and responsible bid of \$330,400.75; and,
2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the contract; and,
3. Authorize the General Manager to approve change orders for the Project as required in the field during the contract time for an amount not to exceed 15% of the original contract amount.

B. REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

On February 9, 2017, District staff advertised for bids for the construction of the Shelter Cove/ Agua Fria Sewer Rehabilitation Phase 2, Project No. 155. On March 23, 2017, the District received the following bids:

	Contractor	Total
1	Nu-Line Technologies, LLC.	\$ 330,400.75
2	Sancon Engineering, Inc.	\$ 363,067.00
3	Insituform Technologies, LLC	\$ 373,970.00
4	Southwest Pipeline & Trenchless Corp.	\$ 524,070.00

The Engineer's cost estimate is \$580,000.

There is a discrepancy with the low bid because the low bidder, Nu-Line, is not on the planholder's list as required by the call for bids. Nu-Line did not obtain the plans from the District. Staff is informed that Nu-Line obtained the plans from a plan room. Under Public Contract Code section 20103.7, the District is required to make its plans available through such plan rooms. Therefore, even though the low bidder did not technically comply with the call for bids, its method for obtaining the plans is allowed under State law. Bidders who are not on the planholder's list run the risk of missing key information leading up to the bid, such as the release of addenda. In this case, however, staff has confirmed that Nu-Line attended the mandatory job walk and acknowledged receipt of the addendum. Because Nu-Line received the plans from a source that is allowed under State law, the plans were available for all other bidders, and Nu-Line received the necessary information to prepare its bid, Nu-Line has not received an unfair advantage that would prohibit the award of the bid. Staff's recommendation is for the Board to waive any discrepancies and award the contract to Nu-Line.

C. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This project is part of the District's on-going efforts to improve its aging wastewater collection system infrastructure, manage Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) and to be in compliance with our current Cease and Desist Order No. R6V-2013-0022 through the State Water Quality Control Board.

The Project consists of installing approximately 3,200 LF of Cured In Place Pipe (CIPP) to existing 8 inch PVC SDR 35 sewer main including saw cut, excavation trenching, backfilling, post video inspection, and trench paving of existing County and State Highway roadways, constructing 12 new manholes, removing 2 existing manholes, and slip lining approximately 1,000 LF of existing 6 inch sewer main. A map depicting the Project's general area is shown below.

D. FISCAL INFORMATION

Funding for this project will be provided by the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund 210 and will qualify towards reducing I&I. The budget for Fiscal Year 16/17 includes \$1,100,000 for slip lining projects. The construction cost for this project in the amount of \$330,400.75 plus the not-to-exceed 15% in contingencies is within the budget.

