

# LAKE ARROWHEAD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** MARCH 22, 2022

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Lake Arrowhead Community Services District

**FROM:** SCOTT SCHRODER, Engineering Manager  
  
CATHERINE CERRI, General Manager

**SUBJECT:** CONSIDER AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE GVWWTP TWIN SCREW PRESS & DEMOLITION OF OLD BELT PRESS PROJECT NO. 221

### A. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Directors:

1. Award a contract for the construction of GVWWTP Twin Screw Press & Demolition of Old Belt Press Project No. 221 (“Project”) to Cora Constructors (“Cora”), for their low responsive and responsible bid of \$204,116, 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 contract time for an amount not to exceed 15% of the original contract amount.

### B. REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

On January 27, 2022, District staff advertised for contractors to provide all materials, labor, tools, equipment, facilities, transportation and incidentals necessary to: Remove existing belt filter press No.1, concrete containment curb, platform, water supply system and all ancillary equipment. Install new Huber S-press 3.2 Twin Screw Press, concrete containment, main control panel and all ancillary equipment. In addition, remove and re-install window(s) in order to transport screw press into room located on top floor of building

On February 24, 2022, the District received the following bids:

	<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	Cora Constructors	\$204,116
2	Vicon Enterprise	\$410,000

*The Engineer's cost estimate is \$475,000.*

District staff reviewed Cora's bid documents and verified its CSLB license and DIR registration. Cora has performed this type of work for many Southern California Agencies, and District staff checked references for projects and are satisfied with the reviews from past clients.

### **C. BACKGROUND**

During the GVWWTP Expansion project in 2010, the District replaced one of two belt presses with a Huber S-Press, and the existing belt press has not been used since that time. Only one District Operator knows how to operate the old belt press. The District is sole sourcing this product due to extensive research done in 2010. In addition, staff is familiar and trained in the operation of this equipment, and the S-Press is compatible with the existing connections and conveyor belt configuration.

### **D. FISCAL IMPACT**

Funding for this construction project will be provided by the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund 210. The budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 20/21 includes \$1,950,000 for the entire project. Procurement of the Huber Twin Screw Press was approved by the Board of Directors on February 23, 2021, and it has been delivered to the job site.

### **E. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

This project is categorially exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, sections 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1). The project is exempt from CEQA review under Class 1 because it consists of the minor alteration of existing public structures, facilities, mechanical equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of the existing or former use.

### **F. ATTACHMENTS**

None