



Resource Management Agency

COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: September 10, 2024

Public Hearing Required	N/A
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	N/A
Published Notice Required	N/A
Advertised Published Notice	N/A
Meet & Confer Required	N/A
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	N/A
Personnel Resolution attached	N/A
Agreement(s) attached	N/A

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SUBJECT: Award Contract of Construction of the 2024 Road Repair and Accountability Act Project 1

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Don Berry Construction, Inc., of Kingsburg, California, for the construction of the 2024 Road Repair and Accountability Act Project 1, in the amount of \$8,508,372.71.
2. Authorize the Chair of the Board to sign the contract after review and approval as to form by County Counsel and upon receipt of certificates of insurance, bonds, and evidence that the contractor possesses a valid State Contractors License.
3. Allow fund for contingencies in the amount of \$437,919 to cover unexpected construction conditions.
4. Authorize the Resource Management Agency Director, or designee, to approve the contract change order up to the amount of allowed funds for contingencies.

SUMMARY:

The 2024 Road Repair and Accountability Act (RRAA) Project 1 ("Project") is a road maintenance project consisting of the repair of asphalt materials on multiple segments of existing County roads in the northern region of Tulare County. The Project is intended to enhance the safety and security of the public by providing well maintained public roadways. The work to be done consists, in general, of a combination of isolated pavement repairs followed by the installation of new (replacement) asphalt surfacing. All Project locations will include corrective work to be performed on the shoulders of the roadways. Furthermore, all newly resurfaced roadways will receive new traffic stripes and pavement markings. The Project does not include any new travel lanes or any

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expansion to the existing roadways. In addition, the Project will also include storm drain improvements to alleviate existing isolated flooding conditions at the intersection of Avenue 230 and Road 242 (Location 7) and adjacent properties. Location 7 was strategically added as part of the 2024 RRAA Project 1 to initiate construction prior to the winter season and reduce any flooding to adjacent properties.

The 2024 RRAA Project 1 is comprised of seven (7) locations accounting for over 14 miles of roadway rehabilitation.

Provided below is a summary of the Project locations:

- Location 1 – Road 92/Drive 92B (West Street) between Tulare City Limits and Avenue 264
- Location 2 – Avenue 248 (Cartmill Avenue) between Road 68 and Road 92 (West Street)
- Location 3 – Road 68 between Avenue 280 and Avenue 290
- Location 4 – Road 196 between Drive 184B (Lort Drive) and Avenue 320
- Location 5 – Road 196 between Avenue 320 and Avenue 344 (State Route 216)
- Location 6 – Avenue 344 between Road 172 and State Route 216
- Location 7 – Intersection of Avenue 230 and Road 242 (Peach Avenue)

Construction Bids

The Project was authorized to bid by the Board of Supervisors on July 16, 2024 (Resolution No. 2024-0674). Bids were opened on August 22, 2024, and nine (9) bids were received, summarized as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid
Don Berry Construction, Inc.	\$8,508,372.71
Yarbs Grading and Paving, Inc.	\$9,391,309.52*
A. Teichert & Son, Inc.	\$9,664,000.00
Granite Construction Company	\$9,680,672.06
Agee Construction Corporation	\$9,916,999.00
Griffith Company	\$10,262,735.00
Papich Construction Company, Inc.	\$10,315,695.00*
Avison Construction, Inc.	\$10,369,738.00
Cal Valley Construction, Inc.	\$10,747,756.20
Engineers Estimate:	\$9,911,233.30

***Based on calculated amount**

The lowest bid (the basis of award) in the amount of \$8,508,372.71 was submitted by Don Berry Construction, Inc., of Kingsburg, CA. The bid is \$1,402,860.59 (approximately 14 percent) less than the Engineer's Estimate. According to the staff's analysis of the bids, the project cost decrease came primarily from the lower-than-expected costs related to the mobilization, hot mix asphalt, cold plane asphalt concrete pavement and geosynthetic pavement interlay (fabric). These costs were lower than the Engineer's Estimate.

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Staff recommends that the Board award the contract to Don Berry Construction, Inc., the apparent lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Don Berry Construction, Inc. has satisfactorily performed similar project, where it has demonstrated that it (1) has adequate financial resources to perform the contract, (2) is able to comply with the associated legal or regulatory requirements, (3) obtain necessary data, equipment, and facilities, and (4) is otherwise eligible and qualified to received award.

Construction is anticipated to begin in October of 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

No net County cost to the General Funds.

This Project (RMA No. 18302096-005, 19600029-005 for location 7) was approved by the Board as part of the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 County Transportation Improvements Program (CTIP). The 2024 RRAA Project 1 will be funded entirely through County Road funds. Revenue sources for the County Road fund include State Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA), Local Measure R, and other State and Federal funding sources.

RMRA funds in the amount of approximately \$17.7 million were received in Fiscal Year 2023/2024.

Estimated Project Costs:

Engineering Design:	\$90,000
Construction:	\$8,508,372.71
Contingencies:	\$437,919
Construction Engineering:	\$150,000
Total:	\$9,186,291.71

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Safety and Security – The County’s Strategic Business Plan includes the Safety and Security Initiative to provide for the safety and security of the public. This Project will enhance the safety and security of the public by improving the transportation infrastructure for both the general population in the region and the motorists using these facilities.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

/s/ Reed Schenke

Reed Schenke, P.E.
Director

Cc: County Administrative Office

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Attachment: Attachment A – Vicinity Map