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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – ADDENDUM 1 TRASH-FREE CHANNEL SERVICES – EAST AND WEST AREAS (2012-AN034)

Thank you for attending the Proposers' Conference and the walk-through for the Trash-Free Services – East and West Areas on September 19, 2012, and for your interest in the Request for Proposals (RFP). Please note that the deadline to submit your proposals has been extended until **Wednesday, October 10, 2012, at 5:30 p.m.**

The following revisions are made to the Trash-Free Services – East and West Areas (2012-AN034) RFP. Added words are shown in **bold** and deleted language is ~~struck out~~:

A. ADDENDUM

1. Part II, Sample Agreement, fourth paragraph has been revised as follows:

FOURTH: This Contract's initial term shall be for a period of one year commencing on _____ or execution between both parties, whichever occurs last. ~~At the sole discretion of the COUNTY, this Contract may be extended in increments of one year, for a maximum potential contract of five years.~~ **The County shall have the sole option to extend this Contract term for up to four additional one-year periods and six (6) month to month extensions, for a maximum total Contract term of five years and six months. Each such option and extension shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the COUNTY.** The COUNTY, acting through the Director, may give a written notice of intent to extend this Contract at least ten days prior to the end of each term. At the sole discretion of the COUNTY, in lieu of extending the Contract for the full one year, this Contract may be extended on a month-to-month basis, upon written notice to the CONTRACTOR at least ten days prior to the end of a term. The Director will provide a written notice of nonrenewal at least ten days before the last day of any term, in which case this Contract shall expire as of midnight on the last day of that term. Where all option years have been exercised, the Director will not provide a written notice of nonrenewal. ~~In addition, upon notice of at least ten days, the Director may extend the final contract term on a~~

~~month to month basis, not to exceed a total of six months, for the convenience of the COUNTY.~~

2. Part II, Exhibit B Section 5.B, Indemnification, page B.27, has been revised as follows:

B. Indemnification

Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers ("**County Indemnities**"), from and against any and all liability, including, but not limited to, demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses of any nature whatsoever (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Contract **except for loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnities**. This indemnification also shall include any and all intellectual property liability, including copyright infringement and similar claims.

3. Part II, Exhibit B Section 5.D.5, General Insurance Requirements, has been revised as follows:

5. Failure to Maintain Insurance: Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. **Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.**

B. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS TO TRASH-FREE CHANNEL SERVICES - EAST AND WEST AREAS

The following answers are in response to the questions submitted by attendees of the Trash-Free Channel Services – East and West Areas (2012-AN034) Proposers' meeting:

1. **Question:** Please identify the number and location of vehicle and foot access points, including invert access ramps and ladders, if available.

Response: For both the East and West Areas - A list of vehicular access points is listed in Enclosure A. The foot access points (i.e., ladders) have not been cataloged; therefore, no information is available.

2. **Question:** Will the County please identify the designated "sensitive positions" which are subject to criminal background investigations, referred to in Section 1, Subsection R of Part 1 of the RFP?

Response: For both the East and West Areas - Flood Maintenance Division has determined that the services under Trash Free are less sensitive position at this time; therefore, no need for criminal background check prior to the commencement of work. However, if the County determines that a position is sensitive after the commencement of the work, the County reserves the right to request a background check at the Contractor's expense as indicated in Part II, Section 2.HH Contractor's Employee Criminal Background Investigation.

3. **Question:** Will the County please elaborate on what it considers hazardous waste? Specifically, are dead animals, human waste, animal waste, or homeless belongings considered hazardous?

Response: For both the East and West Areas - Hazardous waste is considered as any waste, including trash and debris that is not permitted to be disposed of at a landfill.

4. **Question:** Please provide the approximate locations of any unimproved or soft-bottom inverts. If these areas are designated on the maps that the County has already provided, please explain how they are marked.

Response: For the East Area - Walnut Creek is the only channel listed in the Trash Free Contract for the East Area that contains a soft-bottom invert. The soft-bottom locations are delineated in the enclosed maps (Enclosure B). **For the West Area** - There is no soft-bottom inverts within the limits of each of the channels listed in the Trash-Free contract for the West Area.

5. **Question:** Please confirm whether vehicles may drive through water containing algae in the channel inverts, and define any other limitations for vehicular access.

Response: For the East and West Areas - The contractor may drive through water containing algae in the invert of any channel; however, it is advised that extreme caution be taken to avoid losing control of the vehicle. Also there is alligator weed quarantine in effect on Alhambra Wash, Walnut Creek, and Rio Hondo. The contractor will need to follow the requirements of the Permit to Operate and Move Soil/Vegetative Matter from Alligator Weed Quarantine Area (Enclosure C) when working in these channels.

6. **Question:** During the bidders' conference, it was stated that workers are prohibited from passing through tunnels ("workers must always see sunlight"). However, certain areas of channel are bounded on either side by tunnels, with no visible ladders or access points in between. Will the County please confirm that workers are not expected to pass through tunnels, and elaborate on any special access procedures for these areas of channel?

Response: For both the East and West Areas - There are no tunnels; bridges over the wash are not considered tunnels for purposes of this contract.

7. **Question:** Due to the unsettled nature of these questions and their importance to the scope of work and cost estimates, will the County consider extending the proposal due date?

Response: The deadline to submit your proposals has been extended as noted in the first page.

8. **Question:** What is the current contract amount for the East and West Areas?

Response: For the East Area - The current contract amount is \$208,440. **For the West Area** - The current contract amount is \$169,650.

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If you have questions concerning the above information, please contact Ms. Janet Lee at (626) 348-7167, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Very truly yours,

GAIL FARBER
Director of Public Works

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Soo Kim".

GHAYANE ZAKARIAN, Chief 
Administrative Services Division

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East Area - Vehicular Access Points

Enclosure A

Channel	Ramp Location	TG Page
Alhambra Wash	1. downstream of Alhambra Road, left bank via Stuhr Drive at Water Company 2. downstream of Hellman Avenue, left bank via end of Eckhart Street	596-C3 636-F1
Arcadia Wash - All Branches	1. downstream of Huntington Drive, left bank 2. downstream of Lower Azusa Road, right bank via end of El Monte Avenue 3. downstream access - see Arcadia Wash at Huntington Drive	567-B6 597-D5 567-B6
Arroyo Seco Channel	1. 400' downstream of Pasadena Avenue, left bank via Marmion Way and private road to horse 2. at Seco Street, left bank 3. downstream of Avenue 19, right bank	595-E2 565-F3 594-J7
Big Dalton Wash	1. 500' downstream of Alosta Avenue, right bank via road 500' west of bridge 2. 500' upstream of Cerritos Avenue, left bank access road 3. 300' downstream of Cypress Avenue, right bank via road 300' west of bridge 4. downstream access - see Big Dalton Wash at Alosta Avenue	569-G6 599-A2 598-F4 569-G6
Eaton Wash	1. downstream of Sierra Madre Boulevard, left bank 2. 400' upstream of Duarte Road, left bank access road 3. upstream of Broadway, left bank	566-F2 596-G1 596-H4
Little Dalton Wash	1. downstream of Barranca Avenue, left bank	569-C6
Live Oak Wash	1. downstream access - see Marshall Canyon Channel	600-E4
Marshall Canyon Channel and West Fork	1. 400' downstream of Puddingstone Dive, right bank access road	600-E4
Puente Creek	1. 750' downstream of Don Julian, left bank access road (via San Jose Creek) 2. Echlon s/o Amar	638-A7 638-F5
Rio Hondo	1. downstream of Lower Azusa Road, right bank via end of El Monte Avenue	597-D5
Rubio Wash/Diversion	1. downstream of Broadway, right bank via end of Commercial Street 2. downstream of Longden Avenue, right bank	596-F4 596-E2
Santa Anita Wash	1. upstream of Colorado Boulevard, right bank 2. 1600' downstream of Live Oak Avenue, left bank access road	567-D4 597-F2
Sawpit Wash Channel	1. 500' upstream of Norumbega Road, left bank via dirt road adjacent to channel 2. 300' downstream of Longden Avenue, left bank via Longden Yard	567-H2 597-G2
Walnut Creek Channel (Eastern and Western Portion)	1. downstream of Lark Ellen Avenue, right bank access road 2. downstream of Francisco Avenue, right bank access road 3. cul-de-sac of Chaparro Road	638-H1 638-B1 599-F6

**There is no vehicular access points for channels that are omitted on this list

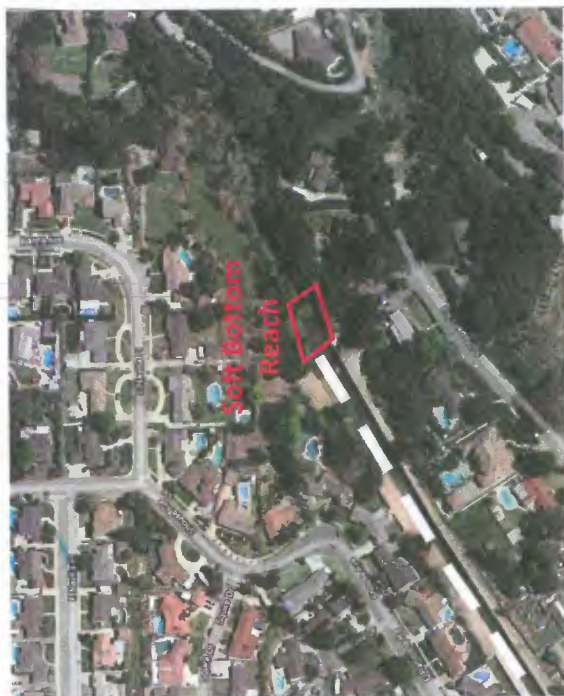
West Area - Vehicular Access Points

Enclosure A

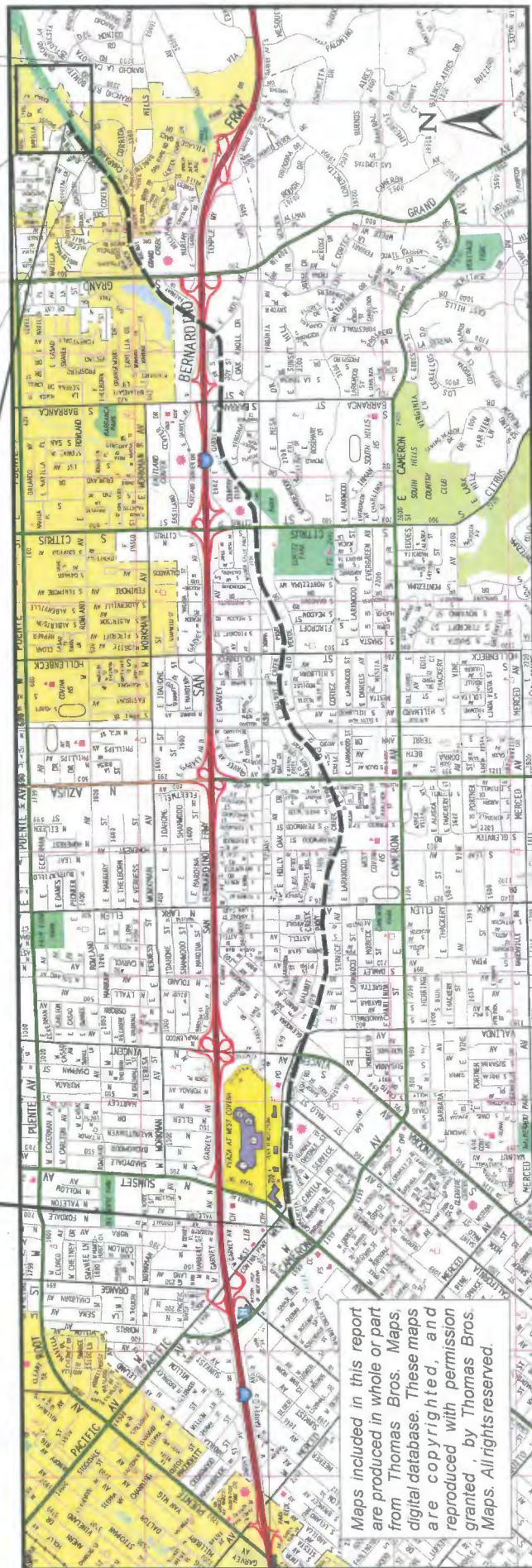
Channel	Ramp Location	TG Page
Aliso Creek	1. East of Chimineas Avenue and San Fernando Mission Boulevard	501-A2
	2. West of Wilbur Avenue and Nordhoff Street	500-G7
	3. Northwest of Parthenia Street and Wilbur Avenue	530-G1
Browns Creek	1. Canoga Avenue and Devonshire Street intersection	500-B4
	2. Northeast of Eton Avenue and Parthenia Street	530-B1
	3. Southwest of Parthenia Street and De Soto Avenue	530-B1
Upper LA River	1. Northwest of Canoga Avenue and Vanowen Street	530-A6
	2. North of Vanowen Street and Lena Avenue	529-G5
	3. Northeast of Valley Circle Boulevard and Harterland Street	529-D5
East Canyon	1. Rinaldi Boulevard, left bank upstream	501-J1
Pacoima Wash	1. West of Plummer Street and Van Nuys Boulevard	501-J6
	2. East of Lemona Avenue and Nordhoff Street	501-J7
	3. East of Noble Avenue and Rayen Street	501-J7
	4. East of Parthenia Street and Noble Avenue	531-H1
	5. Northeast of Saticoy Street and Kester Avenue	531-J3
Lower LA River	1. Sepulveda Boulevard, right bank upstream	561-H3
	2. Hazeltine Avenue, right bank, upstream	562-B4
	3. Coldwater Canyon Avenue, right bank upstream	562-E5
	4. Lankershim Boulevard, right bank and left bank upstream	563-B5
Tujunga Wash	1. Glenoaks Boulevard, upstream, left bank	502-G4
	2. Beachy Street, left bank (Pacoima Diversion)	532-D1
	3. Moorpark Street, left bank, downstream	562-G4
Newhall Creek	1. Off Railroad Avenue and 12th street	4640-J1
Mint Canyon	1. Left bank, downstream Soledad Canyon Road	4551-J3
Violin	1. Downstream off Ridge Route Road, left bank	4369-H7
Porretta	1. On Vicci Street, downstream to Calle Way - several access ramps	4551-G2
Whites Canyon	1. Off Camp Plenty Road, upstream and downstream	4551-F1
Haines Canyon	1. On Wentworth Street, between Oro Vista Avenue and Sherman Grove Avenue	503-G2

Map of Soft Bottom Inverts for Trash Free Channel Service - East Area

Trash Free Contract
East Maintenance Area
Walnut Creek
Eastern Portion



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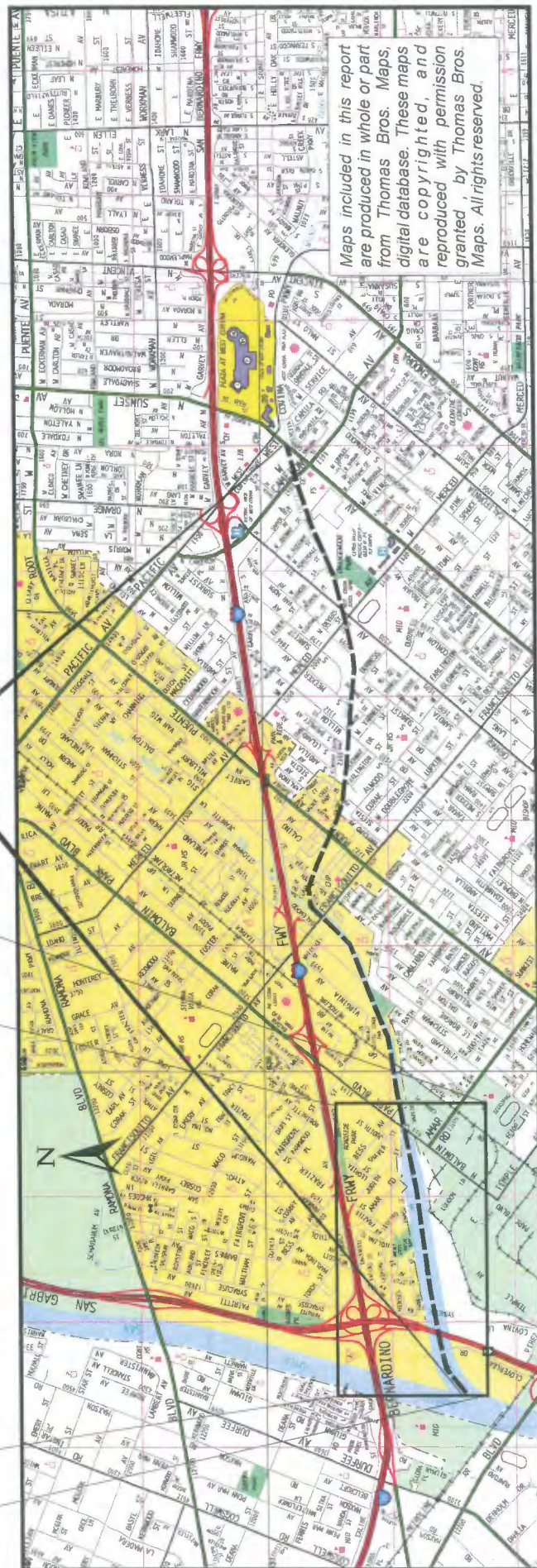


Map of Soft Bottom Inverts for Trash Free Channel Service - East Area



Trash Free Contract
East Maintenance Area
Walnut Creek
Western Portion

WESTERLY
LIMITS
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Kurt E. Floren
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Director of Weights and Measures

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Richard K. Iizuka
Chief Deputy

PERMIT TO OPERATE AND MOVE SOIL/VEGETATIVE MATTER FROM ALLIGATORWEED QUARANTINE AREA

(Revised 3-14-12)

This letter constitutes written permission for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Water Resources or Flood Control Division to operate and remove soil/vegetative matter from the Alligatorweed quarantine area.

Operating in the quarantine area.

Approval is granted to operate in the quarantined area under the following conditions:

1. No equipment will leave the quarantined area with soil or other debris.
2. All equipment handling infested soil is to be thoroughly washed, free of soil and debris, and inspected and released by a member of this Department before being transferred to other uses or other sites. Requests for such inspection must be made 24 hours in advance.
3. All truck drivers are to confine dumping and soil stockpiling to specific spots approved by this Department.
4. Dump truck gates should be securely closed before leaving approved dump site.

Removal of soil/vegetative matter from the quarantine area other than Rio Hondo Spreading Basins

Approval is granted to take quarantined material to the following locations: Manning Pit or Puente Hills Landfill under the following conditions:

1. At those sites, the soil/vegetative matter will be placed, without advance stockpiling, under a minimum of three feet of non-infested fill dirt.
2. Permittee will assure that no hauling equipment leaves the excavation site with loose dirt, overhanging plant material, or is overloaded to the extent that spillage could occur along the hauling route.
3. Loads leaving the quarantine area shall be covered or tarped to prevent plant material or soil from being scattered along the hauling route.

4. All hauling and excavation equipment, or anything else that might accidentally move soil or plant parts out of the work area, shall be thoroughly cleaned inside and out before moving to other job sites, and such equipment may not be transferred from the job site without an inspection and release by a member of this Department. Requests for such inspection must be made 24 hours in advance.
5. All infested sediment deposited at the site must remain in place, no excavation of any kind is to be permitted.
6. No infested sediment can be placed within 30 feet of the anticipated maximum fill height of the pit.

Removal of soil from the Rio Hondo Spreading Basins

Any soil removed from the Rio Hondo Spreading Basins that is not transported to the Puente Hills Landfill or Manning Pit, must have a written work plan developed and agreed upon by Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Los Angeles County Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures, and any contractor involved in the removal and transporting of soil.

This permit constitutes written permission to move potential host material or possible carriers of an extremely serious pest from an area where a hold notice has been issued pursuant to California Food and Agriculture Code Section (FAC) 5701 and 5704. Failure to follow the conditions of the permit is a violation of state law punishable by fines of up to \$10,000 for each violation. (FAC 5310)

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES TO THE CONDITIONS AS STATED ON THIS PERMIT:

Signature: _____

RUDY LEE

Assistant Deputy Director, Flood Maintenance Division
County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works

Date Signed: _____

4/2/12

Signature: _____

KURT E. FLOREN

Agricultural Commissioner/Director of Weights and Measures

Date Signed: _____

04-03-12

EXPIRATION DATE: MAY 1, 2013

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