

**Metropolitan Domestic Water Improvement District
Board of Directors Meeting**

April 8, 2024

**Authorizing the General Manager to Execute an Agreement for the
Northwest Recharge, Recovery, and Delivery System Metro Only
Independent Transmission Main, Phases 2 & 3, and the Ironwood Pipeline**

Synopsis

The Board of Directors is requested to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement for the provision of geotechnical and material testing services for the Northwest Recharge, Recovery, and Delivery System (NWRRDS) Metro Only Independent Transmission Main, Phases 2 & 3, and the Ironwood Pipeline from the Ironwood Well Site to Herb Johnson Reservoir utilizing Ninyo & Moore through the City of Tucson Job Order Contract (JOC) in the amount of \$95,300.00.

Background

In December 2023, the Board authorized the award of the NWRRDS Metro Only Independent Transmission Main, Phases 2 & 3, and the Ironwood Pipeline from the Ironwood Well Site to Herb Johnson Reservoir to Granite Construction Company.

The District's contractor is required to demonstrate compliance with compaction standards by the conditions in the Right of Way permit issued by Pima County and the Town of Marana. Ninyo & Moore will perform soil compaction testing for the District to demonstrate compliance with Pima County requirements.

Issues

While Ninyo & Moore is the District's as-needed miscellaneous geotechnical and material testing consultant, the District's contract predated the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA) loan and did not include all of the language necessary to meet WIFA requirements. Staff confirmed with WIFA that it would be acceptable to utilize Ninyo & Moore via the City of Tucson JOC as that contract includes cooperative purchasing language and provisions required by WIFA. Davis Bacon Wages will be utilized, as applicable.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Ninyo & Moore utilizing the City of Tucson JOC to complete geotechnical and

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materials testing for the NWRRDS Metro Only Independent Transmission Main, Phases 2 & 3, and the Ironwood Pipeline in the amount of \$95,300.00.

It is also recommended that the General Manager be granted authority to allocate additional funding in a cumulative amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. Any changes in excess of the above limits will be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval.

Suggested Motion

I move to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Ninyo & Moore in an amount not to exceed \$95,300.00, and to grant the General Manager authority to allocate additional funding in a cumulative amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Bowen, P.E.
District Engineer

I concur with the above-noted recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Olsen, P.E.
General Manager