

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve additional funds to the contract with **McKenzie Watershed Alliance** for **Instream Large Wood Restoration Projects** required due to the Holiday Farm Fire.

Board Meeting Date:	December 6, 2022	
Project Name/Contract #:	Instream Large Wood Restoration Projects / 22-023-S	
Manager:	Mike Masters	Ext. 7549
Executive Officer:	Karen Kelley	Ext. 7153

Contract Amount:

Original Contract Amount:	\$800,000 (March 1, 2022)
Additional \$ Previously Approved:	\$0
Spend over last approval:	\$0
Amount this Request:	\$700,000
% Increase over last approval:	87.5%
Resulting Cumulative Total:	\$1,500,000

Contracting Method:

Method of Solicitation:	Direct Negotiation
If applicable, basis for exemption:	Sole Source
Term of Agreement:	Initial term is 1 year
Option to Renew?	Yes, annually up to 5 years total
Approval for purchases "as needed":	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Proposals/Bids Received (Range):	NA
Selection Basis:	Sole Source

Narrative:

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

In 2018, EWEB's Board of Commissioners approved a 10-year strategic plan to protect the McKenzie Watershed as EWEB's sole source of drinking water for nearly 200,000 people. As indicated in the strategic plan, EWEB and the partners have established a program to protect and improve riparian conditions on private lands, known as the Pure Water Partners (PWP) Program. In September 2020, the Holiday Farm Fire burned over 170,000 acres (over 20%) of the McKenzie River Watershed and destroyed over 500 homes. In coordination with the PWP (McKenzie River Trust, McKenzie Watershed Alliance, and Upper Willamette Soil & Water Conservation District), USFS, BLM and other state and local entities, EWEB is working on designing and implementing large scale restoration projects in key tributaries to the McKenzie River to mitigate and buffer the impacts of upstream fire impacted landscapes on water quality.

The Board is being asked to approve an increase to the contract with the McKenzie Watershed Alliance (the 501(c)3 entity of the McKenzie Watershed Council) for providing design, project management and coordination, and

subcontractor selection and oversight to implement sourcing large wood with root wads (if feasible) for instream large wood restoration projects in key tributaries. This is to incorporate the large floodplain restoration work of the Quartz Creek ecosystem and the first decommissioning phase of the Delta Campground. The services will be reimbursed in the amount of 75-100% by the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) wildfire recovery grant.

Contracted Goods or Services

The McKenzie Watershed Alliance (MWA) is working with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) on sourcing hazard trees within the McKenzie corridor for continued flood plain restoration projects as part of the larger efforts to rehabilitate the McKenzie River from the devastation of the 2020 wildfire.

The total increase is estimated at \$700,000, which provides design, sourcing, and placement of large wood for the Delta Campground Decommissioning Project and the Quartz Creek Ecosystem Resiliency Project, a large-scale restoration project in the lower 2-miles of Quartz Creek. The Quartz Creek project will re-establish multi-threaded channels, promote depositional river environments, and maximize connectivity across 181 acres of floodplain in Quartz Creek through the removal of streamside berms, redistribution of approximately 190,000 cubic yards of sediment within incised channels, placement of 8,800 pieces of large wood, and the replacement of a 49-foot bridge with a 116-foot span bridge. Large wood will be sourced from a combination of both public and private sites including properties enrolled in the PWP. The anticipated completion date for phase one of the wood-sourcing activities associated with the Quartz Creek Ecosystem Resiliency Project is May 15, 2024. The bridge replacement will occur in the summer of 2023, and in-stream project elements during the summer of 2024, pending outstanding funding applications. Additional task orders will be assigned on an as-needed basis and are part of the OWEB grant budget and scope of work. EWEB and MWA will negotiate each Scope of Work, staffing plan, delivery schedule, and compensation for each Task Order prior to the work being performed.

Purchasing Process

Sole Source

Prior Contract Activities

EWEB Contract	Project Name (Description)	Board Approved Date	Project Duration (Start to Close)	Original Amount	Final Amount	Reason Code
20-184	Deer Creek Enhancement	NA	8/2020-8/2025	\$65,000	\$65,000	
21-071	Upper Willamette Education Initiative	NA	3/2020-3/2025	\$20,400	\$20,400	
22-102	Deer Creek Phase 4 Floodplain Restoration	6/7/22	6/2022-12/2022	\$425,000	\$445,000	
Reason Code: AM = Additional Materials, AW = Additional Work, EW= Emergency Work, SD = Staff Directed, UC = Unforeseen Conditions, Other						

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board approve an increase to the contract with McKenzie Watershed Alliance for instream large wood restoration projects required due to the Holiday Farm Fire. Approximately \$800,000 was planned for these services in the Holiday Farm Fire Restoration 2022 budget of \$4,275,000. EWEB has the option of using the \$4 million OWEB wildfire recovery grant awarded to EWEB to fully reimburse this project but may choose to use a lesser amount in order to fund other emergent priorities. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.