

E Environment Committee
Meeting date: January 12, 2010

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of January 27, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	December 18, 2009
Subject:	Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Construction of Elko New Market Interceptor – Eureka Lift Station L-79, Project No. 801614, Contract 09P013
District(s), Member(s):	District 4, Craig Peterson, District 16, Wendy Wulff
Policy/Legal Reference:	Policy 3-3 Expenditure
Staff Prepared/Presented:	James Roth, 651-602-1123; Bryce Pickart, 651-602-1091
Division/Department:	MCES c/o William G. Moore 651-602-1162

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the Elko New Market Interceptor – Eureka Lift Station L-79, Project No. 801614, Contract 09P013, with Rice Lake Construction for its low bid of \$1,988,400.

Background

The Elko New Market Interceptor will provide metropolitan sewer service to the City of Elko New Market. The interceptor will remove the city’s wastewater treatment plant from service and provide treatment for Elko New Market wastewater at the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant. The elimination of the Elko New Market plant will end its treated wastewater discharges to the Vermillion River.

This contract is the fourth and final construction contract to implement the 10-mile interceptor from the City of Elko New Market to the MCES interceptor in Lakeville, consisting of three interceptor pipe projects and one lift station project. The first phase pipe project consisted of two miles of new pipe construction and was constructed in 2006 as part of a construction cooperation agreement with Scott County for improvements to Scott County Highway No. 2. The second phase of the project was for construction of four miles of pipe from County Road 2 to the intersection of Dodd Road and 235th Street in Eureka Township. The second phase was completed in December. This third pipe project consists of one mile of dual forcemain, 3.2 miles of gravity sewer and a meter station. The alignment is along Dodd Boulevard from 235th Street to the southern border of the city of Lakeville, thence easterly and northerly along the Lakeville border to a junction with Council interceptor 71-03. Construction on this project started in September 2009 and is scheduled for completion in late 2010. The fourth phase is to construct the lift station at the corner of 235th Street and Dodd Boulevard. The entire interceptor is expected to be constructed and ready for service by the middle of 2011.

Six bids, ranging from \$1,988,400 to \$2,692,700 were received and opened on December 17, 2009. The engineer’s estimate was \$2,226,800. Rice Lake Construction offered the low bid of \$1,988,400. Rice Lake Construction has successfully completed similar projects for MCES. There were no goals for minority business or women-owned business participation in this contract.

Rationale

Award contracts exceeding \$1,000,000 require Council authorization.

Funding

Funding is provided in the 2010 MCES Capital Budget, Project Number 801614.

Budget Information					
Annual or Capital	Project No.	Estimated Project Cost	Current Auth.	Unencumbered Funds	Requested Amount
Capital	801614	\$2,308,000	\$4,100,000	\$4,085,000	\$1,988,400

Known Support / Opposition

Supported by the City of Elko New Market and Eureka Township. No known opposition.