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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**Board Agenda Memo**

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**MEETING DATE:** July 13, 2021  
**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Trisha Tillotson, Director of Public Works  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving an agreement with R3 Consulting Group, Inc., for SB 1383 Program Development Services, approving an MOU with the City of Grass Valley, and approving a Budget Amendment (4/5 Affirmative Vote Required)

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** This contract impacts the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Solid Waste Western Budgets. There is no impact to the General Fund. A budget amendment is included for consideration.

**BACKGROUND:**

SB 1383 (Lara, Chapter 395, Statutes of 2016) is the most significant waste reduction mandate to be adopted in California in the last 30 years. SB 1383 requires the state to reduce organic waste [food waste, green waste, paper products, etc.] disposal by 75% by 2025. The law also requires the state to increase edible food recovery by 20 percent by 2025. This has significant policy and legal implications for the state and local governments. Jurisdictions are responsible for implementing SB 1383 regulations in their communities and must coordinate city and county programs, work with waste haulers, commercial businesses, residents, and edible food recovery organizations.

Jurisdiction responsibilities include:

- Evaluating the jurisdiction's readiness and capacity to implement SB 1383, including organics collection, recycling and edible food recovery capacity
- Providing organic waste collection to all residents and businesses
- Establishing an edible food recovery program that recovers edible food from the waste stream
- Conducting outreach and education to all affected parties, including generators, haulers, facilities, edible food recovery organizations, and city/county departments
- Procuring recycled organic waste products like compost, mulch, renewable natural gas (RNG), and electricity. Procuring does not necessarily mean purchasing.
- Inspecting and enforce compliance with SB 1383. Edible food generator inspections can be combined with existing health inspections
- Maintaining accurate and timely records of SB 1383 compliance

Jurisdictions must have programs in place on January 1, 2022. Although the County and City of Grass Valley (City) are working with the waste hauler to develop collection programs, this law extends beyond directing waste management, recycling operations and staff. It will be important to identify the various roles and responsibilities of each division/department within the jurisdiction (public works, purchasing, environmental health, etc.) and the roles and responsibilities of each jurisdiction within the County as well as developing the various programs, policies and processes necessary to ensure compliance with SB1383. CalRecycle expects that jurisdictions will be planning, making programmatic and budgetary decisions regarding the requirements in advance of the deadline.

On April 30, 2021, the City of Grass Valley and County partnered in the release of a request for proposals from qualified firms to provide assistance in evaluating and developing solid waste programs, policies and procedures to ensure compliance with state mandates (SB 1383). On June 1, 2021, the County received three submittals from interested firms. The submittals were reviewed by a selection panel and evaluated using the scoring system identified within the request for proposals. R3 Consulting Group, Inc., was selected as the most qualified firm.

Also, included for consideration is a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County and City. Under the proposed MOU the County and City would partner in this agreement to better coordinate our joint efforts to develop SB1383 programs that benefit the Community. Each jurisdiction would allocate \$50,000, for a maximum contract price not to exceed \$100,000.00.

**Item Initiated by:** David A. Garcia, Jr., Solid Waste Program Manager  
**Approved by:** Trisha Tillotson, Director of Public Works

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