



9. **Liquidated Damages**

Liquidated Damages are presented as an estimate of an intangible loss to the County. It is a provision that allows for the payment of a specified sum should Contractor be in breach of contract. Liquidated Damages shall apply shall not apply to this contract. Liquidated Damages applicable to this contract are incorporated in Exhibit E, attached hereto.

10. **Relationship of Parties**

9.1. **Independent Contractor**

In providing services herein, Contractor, and the agents and employees thereof, shall work in an independent capacity and as an independent contractor and not as agents or employees of County. Contractor acknowledges that it customarily engages independently in the trade, occupation, or business as that involved in the work required herein. Further, the Parties agree that Contractor shall perform the work required herein free from the control and direction of County, and that the nature of the work is outside the usual course of the County's business. In performing the work required herein, Contractor shall not be entitled to any employment benefits, Workers' Compensation, or other programs afforded to County employees. Contractor shall hold County harmless and indemnify County against such claim by its agents or employees. County makes no representation as to the effect of this independent contractor relationship on Contractor's previously earned California Public Employees Retirement System ("CalPERS") retirement benefits, if any, and Contractor specifically assumes the responsibility for making such determination. Contractor shall be responsible for all reports and obligations including but not limited to: social security taxes, income tax withholding, unemployment insurance, disability insurance, workers' compensation and other applicable federal and state taxes.

9.2. **No Agent Authority** Contractor shall have no power to incur any debt, obligation, or liability on behalf of County or otherwise to act on behalf of County as an agent. Neither County nor any of its agents shall have control over the conduct of Contractor or any of Contractor's employees, except as set forth in this Contract. Contractor shall not represent that it is, or that any of its agents or employees are, in any manner employees of the County.

9.3. **Indemnification of CalPERS Determination** In the event that Contractor or any employee, agent, or subcontractor of Contractor providing service under this Contract or is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or CalPERS to be eligible for enrollment in CalPERS as an employee of the County, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County for all payments on behalf of Contractor or its employees, agents, or subcontractors, as well as for the payment of any penalties and interest on such contributions, which would otherwise be the responsibility of County.

11. **Assignment and Subcontracting** Except as specifically provided herein, the rights, responsibilities, duties and Services to be performed under this Contract are personal to the Contractor and may not be transferred, subcontracted, or assigned without the prior written consent of County. Contractor shall not substitute or replace any personnel for those specifically named herein or in its proposal without the prior written consent of County.

Contractor shall cause and require each transferee, subcontractor, and assignee to comply with the insurance provisions set forth herein, to the extent such insurance provisions are required of Contractor under this Contract. Failure of Contractor to so cause and require such compliance by each transferee, subcontractor, and assignee shall constitute a Material Breach of this Contract, and, in addition to any other remedy available at law or otherwise, shall serve as a basis upon which County may elect to suspend payments hereunder, or terminate this Contract, or both.

A. Nothing contained in this AGREEMENT or otherwise, shall create any contractual relation between the LOCAL AGENCY and any Subconsultants, and no subagreement shall relieve the CONSULTANT of its responsibilities and obligations hereunder. The CONSULTANT agrees to be fully responsible to the LOCAL AGENCY for the acts and omissions of its Subconsultants and of

persons either directly or indirectly employed by any of them as it is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT's obligation to pay its Subconsultants is an independent obligation from the LOCAL AGENCY's obligation to make payments to the CONSULTANT.

- B. The CONSULTANT shall perform the work contemplated with resources available within its own organization and no portion of the work shall be subcontracted without written authorization by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator, except that which is expressly identified in the CONSULTANT's approved Cost Proposal.
- C. Any subagreement entered into as a result of this AGREEMENT, shall contain all the provisions stipulated in this entire AGREEMENT to be applicable to Subconsultants unless otherwise noted.
- D. CONSULTANT shall pay its Subconsultants within Fifteen (15) calendar days from receipt of each payment made to the CONSULTANT by the LOCAL AGENCY.
- E. Any substitution of Subconsultants must be approved in writing by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator in advance of assigning work to a substitute Subconsultant.

12. **Prompt Progress Payment**

CONSULTANT or subconsultant shall pay to any subconsultant, not later than fifteen (15) days after receipt of each progress payment, unless otherwise agreed to in writing, the respective amounts allowed CONSULTANT on account of the work performed by the subconsultants, to the extent of each subconsultant's interest therein. In the event that there is a good faith dispute over all or any portion of the amount due on a progress payment from CONSULTANT or subconsultant to a subconsultant, CONSULTANT or subconsultant may withhold no more than 150 percent of the disputed amount. Any violation of this requirement shall constitute a cause for disciplinary action and shall subject the licensee to a penalty, payable to the subconsultant, of 2 percent of the amount due per month for every month that payment is not made.

In any action for the collection of funds wrongfully withheld, the prevailing party shall be entitled to his or her attorney's fees and costs. The sanctions authorized under this requirement shall be separate from, and in addition to, all other remedies, either civil, administrative, or criminal. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subconsultants.

**12.1 Prompt Payment of Withheld Funds to Subconsultants**

The LOCAL AGENCY may hold retainage from CONSULTANT and shall make prompt and regular incremental acceptances of portions, as determined by the LOCAL AGENCY, of the contract work, and pay retainage to CONSULTANT based on these acceptances. The LOCAL AGENCY shall designate one of the methods below in the contract to ensure prompt and full payment of any retainage kept by CONSULTANT or subconsultant to a subconsultant.

No retainage will be held by the LOCAL AGENCY from progress payments due to CONSULTANT. CONSULTANTS and subconsultants are prohibited from holding retainage from subconsultants. Any delay or postponement of payment may take place only for good cause and with the LOCAL AGENCY's prior written approval. Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating CONSULTANT or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions, and other remedies specified in Section 3321 of the California Civil Code. This requirement shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies, otherwise available to CONSULTANT or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by CONSULTANT, deficient subconsultant performance and/or noncompliance by a subconsultant.

This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subconsultants.

Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating CONSULTANT or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies specified therein. These requirements shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies otherwise available to CONSULTANT or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by CONSULTANT, deficient subcontract performance, or noncompliance by a subconsultant.

13. **Licenses, Permits, Etc.** Contractor represents and warrants to County that Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, obtain or keep in effect at all times during the term of this Contract, any licenses, permits, and approvals which are legally required for Contractor to practice its profession at the time the services are performed.

14. **Hold Harmless and Indemnification Contract**

14.1 **Definitions.** For purposes of this Section, “Consultant” shall include Consultant, its officers, employees, servants, agents, or subcontractors, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by either Consultant or its subcontractors, in the performance of this Agreement. “County” shall include County, its officials, officers, agents, employees and volunteers.

14.2 **Consultant to Indemnify County.** Where the services to be provided by Consultant under this Agreement are design professional services, as that term is defined under Civil Code Section 2782.8, Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless, the County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers from any and all claims, demands, costs or liability that arise out of, or pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct of Consultant and its agents in the performance of services under this contract, but this indemnity does not apply to liability for damages for bodily injury, property damage or other loss, arising from the sole negligence, active negligence or willful misconduct by the County, its officers, official employees, and volunteers. If it is finally adjudicated that liability is caused by the comparative active negligence or willful misconduct of the County, then Consultant’s indemnification and defense obligations shall be reduced in proportion to the established comparative liability of the County and shall not exceed the Consultant’s proportionate percentage of fault.

As respects all acts or omissions which do not arise directly out of the performance of design professional services, including but not limited to those acts or omissions normally covered by general and automobile liability insurance, and to the full extent permitted by law, Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its officers, officials, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against any claims, demands, losses, liability of any kind or nature (including liability for claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, including attorney’s fees and costs, court costs, interest, defense costs, and expert witness fees) where the same arise out of, are in connection with, are a consequence of, or are in any way attributable to, in whole or in part, the willful misconduct, negligence or breach of this Agreement by Consultant or by any individual or entity for which Consultant is legally liable, including but not limited to officers, agents, employees or sub-contractors of Consultant, excepting those which arise out of the active negligence, sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers.

14.3 **Scope of Indemnity.** Personal injury shall include injury or damage due to death or injury to any person, whether physical, emotional, or otherwise, Property damage shall include injury to any personal or real property. Consultant shall not be required to indemnify County for such loss or damage as is caused by the sole active negligence or willful misconduct of the County. If it is finally adjudicated that liability is caused by the comparative negligence or willful misconduct of an indemnified party, then Consultant’s indemnification obligation shall be reduced in proportion to the established comparative liability.

14.4 **Attorney’s Fees.** Such costs and expenses shall include reasonable attorneys’ fees for counsel, approved by County, such approval will not be unreasonably withheld, expert fees and all other costs and fees of litigation. Consultant shall not be entitled to any refund of attorneys’ fees, defense costs or expenses in the event that it is adjudicated to have been non-negligent.

- 14.5 **Defense Deposit. This section omitted.**
- 14.6 **Waiver of Statutory Immunity.** The obligations of Consultant under this Section are not limited by the provisions of any workers' compensation act or similar act. Consultant expressly waives its statutory immunity under such statutes or laws as to County.
- 14.7 **Indemnification by Subcontractors.** Consultant agrees to obtain executed indemnity agreements with provisions identical to those set forth here in this Section from each and every subcontractor or any other person or entity involved in the performance of this Agreement on Consultant's behalf.
- 14.8 **Insurance Not a Substitute.** County does not waive any indemnity rights by accepting any insurance policy or certificate required pursuant to this Agreement. Consultant's indemnification obligations apply regardless of whether or not any insurance policies are determined to be applicable to the claim, demand, damage, liability, loss, cost or expense.
- 14.9 **Civil Code.** The parties are aware of the provisions of Civil Code 2782.8 relating to the indemnification and the duty and the cost to defend a public agency by a Design Professional and agree that this Section complies therewith.
15. **Standard of Performance** Contractor shall perform all services required pursuant to this Contract in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the profession in which Contractor is engaged in the geographical area in which Contractor practices its profession. All products of whatsoever nature which Contractor delivers to County pursuant to this Contract shall be prepared in a professional manner and conform to the standards or quality normally observed by a person practicing in Contractor's profession.

Contractor without additional compensation. Contractor's personnel, when on the County's premises and when accessing the County network remotely, shall comply with the County's regulations regarding security, remote access, safety and professional conduct, including but not limited to Nevada County Security Policy NCSP-102 Nevada County External User Policy and Account Application regarding data and access security. Contractor personnel will solely utilize the County's privileged access management platform for all remote access support functions, unless other methods are granted in writing by the County's Chief Information Officer or his/her designee.

16. **Ownership of Data**

- A. It is mutually agreed that all materials prepared by CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT shall become the property of County, and CONSULTANT shall have no property right therein whatsoever. Immediately upon termination, County shall be entitled to, and CONSULTANT shall deliver to County, reports, investigations, appraisals, inventories, studies, analyses, drawings and data estimates performed to that date, whether completed or not, and other such materials as may have been prepared or accumulated to date by CONSULTANT in performing this AGREEMENT which is not CONSULTANT's privileged information, as defined by law, or CONSULTANT's personnel information, along with all other property belonging exclusively to County which is in CONSULTANT's possession. Publication of the information derived from work performed or data obtained in connection with services rendered under this AGREEMENT must be approved in writing by County.
- B. Additionally, it is agreed that the Parties intend this to be an AGREEMENT for services and each considers the products and results of the services to be rendered by CONSULTANT hereunder to be work made for hire. CONSULTANT acknowledges and agrees that the work (and all rights therein, including, without limitation, copyright) belongs to and shall be the sole and exclusive property of County without restriction or limitation upon its use or dissemination by County.
- C. Nothing herein shall constitute or be construed to be any representation by CONSULTANT that the work product is suitable in any way for any other project except the one detailed in this Contract. Any reuse by County for another project or project location shall be at County's sole risk.
- D. Applicable patent rights provisions regarding rights to inventions shall be included in the contracts

as appropriate (48 CFR 27 Subpart 27.3 - Patent Rights under Government Contracts for federal-aid contracts).

- E. LOCAL AGENCY may permit copyrighting reports or other agreement products. If copyrights are permitted; the AGREEMENT shall provide that the FHWA shall have the royalty-free nonexclusive and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use; and to authorize others to use, the work for government purposes.

17. **Confidentiality of Data**

- A. All financial, statistical, personal, technical, or other data and information relative to LOCAL AGENCY's operations, which are designated confidential by LOCAL AGENCY and made available to CONSULTANT in order to carry out this AGREEMENT, shall be protected by CONSULTANT from unauthorized use and disclosure.
- B. Permission to disclose information on one occasion, or public hearing held by LOCAL AGENCY relating to the AGREEMENT, shall not authorize CONSULTANT to further disclose such information, or disseminate the same on any other occasion.
- C. CONSULTANT shall not comment publicly to the press or any other media regarding the AGREEMENT or LOCAL AGENCY's actions on the same, except to LOCAL AGENCY's staff, CONSULTANT's own personnel involved in the performance of this AGREEMENT, at public hearings, or in response to questions from a Legislative committee.
- D. CONSULTANT shall not issue any news release or public relations item of any nature, whatsoever, regarding work performed or to be performed under this AGREEMENT without prior review of the contents thereof by LOCAL AGENCY, and receipt of LOCAL AGENCY'S written permission.

18. **National Labor Relations Board Certification** In accordance with Public Contract Code §10296, CONSULTANT hereby states under penalty of perjury that no more than one final unappealable finding of contempt of court by a federal court has been issued against CONSULTANT within the immediately preceding two-year period, because of CONSULTANT's failure to comply with an order of a federal court that orders CONSULTANT to comply with an order of the National Labor Relations Board.

19. **Prevailing Wage and Apprentices** To the extent made applicable by law, performance of this Contract shall be in conformity with the provisions of California Labor Code, Division 2, Part 7, Chapter 1, commencing with section 1720 relating to prevailing wages which must be paid to workers employed on a public work as defined in Labor Code section 1720, et seq., and shall be in conformity with Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 200 et seq., relating to apprenticeship. Where applicable:
- Contractor shall comply with the provisions thereof at the commencement of Services to be provided herein, and thereafter during the term of this Contract. A breach of the requirements of this section shall be deemed a material breach of this contract. Applicable prevailing wage determinations are available on the California Department of Industrial Relations website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/PWD>.
  - Contractor and all subcontractors must comply with the requirements of Labor Code section 1771.1(a) pertaining to registration of contractors pursuant to section 1725.5. Registration and all related requirements of those sections must be maintained throughout the performance of the Contract.
  - Contracts to which prevailing wage requirements apply are subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Each Contractor and subcontractor must furnish certified payroll records to the Labor Commissioner at least monthly.
  - The County is required to provide notice to the Department of Industrial Relations of any public work contract subject to prevailing wages within five (5) days of award.
  - Employment of Apprentices
    - Where either the prime AGREEMENT or the subagreement exceeds thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), the CONSULTANT and any subconsultants under him

or her shall comply with all applicable requirements of Labor Code §§ 1777.5, 1777.6 and 1777.7 in the employment of apprentices.

- CONSULTANTs and subconsultants are required to comply with all Labor Code requirements regarding the employment of apprentices, including mandatory ratios of journey level to apprentice workers. Prior to commencement of work, CONSULTANT and subconsultants are advised to contact the DIR Division of Apprenticeship Standards website at <https://www.dir.ca.gov/das/>, for additional information regarding the employment of apprentices and for the specific journey-to-apprentice ratios for the AGREEMENT work. The CONSULTANT is responsible for all subconsultants' compliance with these requirements. Penalties are specified in Labor Code §1777.7.

20. **State Prevailing Wage Rates** No CONSULTANT or Subconsultant may be awarded an AGREEMENT containing public work elements unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations

- A. (DIR) pursuant to Labor Code §1725.5. Registration with DIR must be maintained throughout the entire term of this AGREEMENT, including any subsequent amendments.
- B. The CONSULTANT shall comply with all of the applicable provisions of the California Labor Code requiring the payment of prevailing wages. The General Prevailing Wage Rate Determinations applicable to work under this AGREEMENT are available and on file with the Department of Transportation's Regional/District Labor Compliance Officer (<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/construction/labor-compliance>). These wage rates are made a specific part of this AGREEMENT by reference pursuant to Labor Code §1773.2 and will be applicable to work performed at a construction project site. Prevailing wages will be applicable to all inspection work performed at LOCAL AGENCY construction sites, at LOCAL AGENCY facilities and at off-site locations that are set up by the construction contractor or one of its subcontractors solely and specifically to serve LOCAL AGENCY projects. Prevailing wage requirements do not apply to inspection work performed at the facilities of vendors and commercial materials suppliers that provide goods and services to the general public.
- C. General Prevailing Wage Rate Determinations applicable to this project may also be obtained from the Department of Industrial Relations website at <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.
- D. **Payroll Records**
  - 1. Each CONSULTANT and Subconsultant shall keep accurate certified payroll records and supporting documents as mandated by Labor Code §1776 and as defined in 8 CCR §16000 showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker, or other employee employed by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in connection with the public work. Each payroll record shall contain or be verified by a written declaration that it is made under penalty of perjury, stating both of the following:
    - a. The information contained in the payroll record is true and correct.
    - b. The employer has complied with the requirements of Labor Code §1771, §1811, and §1815 for any work performed by his or her employees on the public works project.
  - 2. The payroll records enumerated under paragraph (1) above shall be certified as correct by the CONSULTANT under penalty of perjury. The payroll records and all supporting documents shall be made available for inspection and copying by LOCAL AGENCY representatives at all reasonable hours at the principal office of the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT shall provide copies of certified payrolls or permit inspection of its records as follows:
    - a. A certified copy of an employee's payroll record shall be made available for inspection or furnished to the employee or the employee's authorized representative on request.

- b. A certified copy of all payroll records enumerated in paragraph (1) above, shall be made available for inspection or furnished upon request to a representative of LOCAL AGENCY, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards of the Department of Industrial Relations. Certified payrolls submitted to LOCAL AGENCY, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards shall not be altered or obliterated by theCONSULTANT.
  - c. The public shall not be given access to certified payroll records by the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT is required to forward any requests for certified payrolls to the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator by both email and regular mail on the business day following receipt of the request.
  - 3. Each CONSULTANT shall submit a certified copy of the records enumerated in paragraph (1) above, to the entity that requested the records within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of a written request.
  - 4. Any copy of records made available for inspection as copies and furnished upon request to the public or any public agency by LOCAL AGENCY shall be marked or obliterated in such a manner as to prevent disclosure of each individual's name, address, and social security number. The name and address of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant performing the work shall not be marked or obliterated.
  - 5. The CONSULTANT shall inform LOCAL AGENCY of the location of the records enumerated under paragraph (1) above, including the street address, city and county, and shall, within five (5) working days, provide a notice of a change of location and address.
  - 6. The CONSULTANT or Subconsultant shall have ten (10) calendar days in which to comply subsequent to receipt of written notice requesting the records enumerated in paragraph (1) above. In the event the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant fails to comply within the ten (10) day period, he or she shall, as a penalty to LOCAL AGENCY, forfeit one hundred dollars (\$100) for each calendar day, or portion thereof, for each worker, until strict compliance is effectuated. Such penalties shall be withheld by LOCAL AGENCY from payments then due. CONSULTANT is not subject to a penalty assessment pursuant to this section due to the failure of a Subconsultant to comply with this section.
- E. When prevailing wage rates apply, the CONSULTANT is responsible for verifying compliance with certified payroll requirements. Invoice payment will not be made until the invoice is approved by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator.
- F. Penalty**
- 1. The CONSULTANT and any of its Subconsultants shall comply with Labor Code §1774 and §1775. Pursuant to Labor Code §1775, the CONSULTANT and any Subconsultant shall forfeit to the LOCAL AGENCY a penalty of not more than two hundred dollars (\$200) for each calendar day, or portion thereof, for each worker paid less than the prevailing rates as determined by the Director of DIR for the work or craft in which the worker is employed for any public work done under the AGREEMENT by the CONSULTANT or by its Subconsultant in violation of the requirements of the Labor Code and in particular, Labor Code §§1770 to 1780, inclusive.
  - 2. The amount of this forfeiture shall be determined by the Labor Commissioner and shall be based on consideration of mistake, inadvertence, or neglect of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in failing to pay the correct rate of prevailing wages, or the previous record of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in meeting their respective prevailing wage obligations, or the willful failure by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant to pay the correct rates of prevailing wages. A mistake, inadvertence, or neglect in failing to pay the correct rates of prevailing wages is not excusable if the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant had knowledge of the obligations under the Labor Code. The CONSULTANT is responsible for paying the appropriate rate, including any escalations that take place during the term of the AGREEMENT.
  - 3. In addition to the penalty and pursuant to Labor Code §1775, the difference between the prevailing wage rates and the amount paid to each worker for each calendar day or portion thereof for which each worker was paid less than the prevailing wage rate shall be paid to each worker by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant.
  - 4. If a worker employed by a Subconsultant on a public works project is not paid the general prevailing per diem wages by the Subconsultant, the prime CONSULTANT of the project is not



liable for the penalties described above unless the prime CONSULTANT had knowledge of that failure of the Subconsultant to pay the specified prevailing rate of wages to those workers or unless the prime CONSULTANT fails to comply with all of the following requirements:

- a. The AGREEMENT executed between the CONSULTANT and the Subconsultant for the performance of work on public works projects shall include a copy of the requirements in Labor Code §§ 1771, 1775, 1776, 1777.5, 1813, and 1815.
  - b. The CONSULTANT shall monitor the payment of the specified general prevailing rate of per diem wages by the Subconsultant to the employees by periodic review of the certified payroll records of the Subconsultant.
  - c. Upon becoming aware of the Subconsultant's failure to pay the specified prevailing rate of wages to the Subconsultant's workers, the CONSULTANT shall diligently take corrective action to halt or rectify the failure, including but not limited to, retaining sufficient funds due the Subconsultant for work performed on the public works project.
  - d. Prior to making final payment to the Subconsultant for work performed on the public works project, the CONSULTANT shall obtain an affidavit signed under penalty of perjury from the Subconsultant that the Subconsultant had paid the specified general prevailing rate of per diem wages to the Subconsultant's employees on the public works project and any amounts due pursuant to Labor Code §1813.
5. Pursuant to Labor Code §1775, LOCAL AGENCY shall notify the CONSULTANT on a public works project within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of a complaint that a Subconsultant has failed to pay workers the general prevailing rate of per diem wages.
  6. If LOCAL AGENCY determines that employees of a Subconsultant were not paid the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and if LOCAL AGENCY did not retain sufficient money under the AGREEMENT to pay those employees the balance of wages owed under the general prevailing rate of per diem wages, the CONSULTANT shall withhold an amount of moneys due the Subconsultant sufficient to pay those employees the general prevailing rate of per diem wages if requested by LOCAL AGENCY.

**G. Hours of Labor**

Eight (8) hours labor constitutes a legal day's work. The CONSULTANT shall forfeit, as a penalty to the LOCAL AGENCY, twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each worker employed in the execution of the AGREEMENT by the CONSULTANT or any of its Subconsultants for each calendar day during which such worker is required or permitted to work more than eight (8) hours in any one calendar day and forty (40) hours in any one calendar week in violation of the provisions of the Labor Code, and in particular §§1810 to 1815 thereof, inclusive, except that work performed by employees in excess of eight (8) hours per day, and forty (40) hours during any one week, shall be permitted upon compensation for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day and forty (40) hours in any week, at not less than one and one-half (1.5) times the basic rate of pay, as provided in §1815.

21. **Accessibility** It is the policy of the County of Nevada that all County services, programs, meetings, activities and facilities shall be accessible to all persons and shall comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Title 24, California Code of Regulations. To the extent this Contract shall call for Contractor to provide County contracted services directly to the public, Contractor shall certify that said direct Services are and shall be accessible to all persons.

22. **Non-Discrimination Clause and Statement of Compliance**

- A. The CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein and dated shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the CONSULTANT has, unless exempt, complied with the nondiscrimination program requirements of Gov. Code §12990 and 2 CCR § 8103.
- B. During the performance of this AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall not deny the AGREEMENT's benefits to any person on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, or military and veteran status, nor shall they unlawfully discriminate, harass, or allow harassment against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic

information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, or military and veteran status. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment.

- C. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code §12990 et seq.), the applicable regulations promulgated there under (2 CCR §11000 et seq.), the provisions of Gov. Code §§11135-11139.5, and the regulations or standards adopted by LOCAL AGENCY to implement such article. The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Gov. Code §12990 (a-f), set forth 2 CCR §§8100-8504, are incorporated into this AGREEMENT by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.
  - D. CONSULTANT shall permit access by representatives of the Department of Fair Employment and Housing and the LOCAL AGENCY upon reasonable notice at any time during the normal business hours, but in no case less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice, to such of its books, records, accounts, and all other sources of information and its facilities as said Department or LOCAL AGENCY shall require to ascertain compliance with this clause.
  - E. CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other Agreement.
  - F. CONSULTANT shall include the nondiscrimination and compliance provisions of this clause in all subcontracts to perform work under this AGREEMENT.
  - G. The CONSULTANT, with regard to the work performed under this AGREEMENT, shall act in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §2000d et seq.). Title VI provides that the recipients of federal assistance will implement and maintain a policy of nondiscrimination in which no person in the United States shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of or subject to discrimination under any program or activity by the recipients of federal assistance or their assignees and successors in interest.
  - H. The CONSULTANT shall comply with regulations relative to non-discrimination in federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation (49 CFR Part 21 - Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964). Specifically, the CONSULTANT shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by 49 CFR §21.5, including employment practices and the selection and retention of Subconsultants.
  - I. CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will never exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by 49 CFR 26 on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin. In administering the LOCAL AGENCY components of the DBE Program Plan, CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will not, directly, or through contractual or other arrangements, use criteria or methods of administration that have the effect of defeating or substantially impairing accomplishment of the objectives of the DBE Program Plan with respect to individuals of a particular race, color, sex, or national origin.
  - J. CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will never exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by 49 CFR 26 on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin. In administering the LOCAL AGENCY components of the DBE Program Plan, CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will not, directly, or through contractual or other arrangements, use criteria or methods of administration that have the effect of defeating or substantially impairing accomplishment of the objectives of the DBE Program Plan with respect to individuals of a particular race, color, sex, or national origin.
23. **Drug-Free Workplace** Senate Bill 1120, (Chapter 1170, Statutes of 1990), requires recipients of state grants to maintain a "drug-free workplace". Every person or organization awarded a contract for the procurement of any property or services shall certify as required under Government Code Section 8355-8357 that it will provide a drug-free workplace.
24. **Political Activities** Contractor shall in no instance expend funds or use resources derived from this Contract on any political activities.

25. **Financial, Statistical and Contract-Related Records:**

- 20.1. Books and Records** Contractor shall maintain statistical records and submit reports as required by County. Contractor shall also maintain accounting and administrative books and records, program procedures and documentation relating to licensure and accreditation as they pertain to this Contract. All such financial, statistical and contract-related records shall be retained for five (5) years or until program review findings and/or audit findings are resolved, whichever is later. Such records shall include but not be limited to bids and all supporting documents, original entry books, canceled checks, receipts, invoices, payroll records, including subsistence, travel and field expenses, together with a general ledger itemizing all debits and credits.
- 20.2. Inspection** Upon reasonable advance notice and during normal business hours or at such other times as may be agreed upon, Contractor shall make all of its books and records available for inspection, examination or copying, to County, or to the State Department of Health Care Services, the Federal Department of Health and Human Services, the Controller General of the United States and to all other authorized federal and state agencies, or their duly authorized representatives.
- 20.3. Audit** Contractor shall permit the aforesaid agencies or their duly authorized representatives to audit all books, accounts or records relating to this Contract, and all books, accounts or records of any business entities controlled by Contractor who participated in this Contract in any way. All such records shall be available for inspection by auditors designated by County or State, at reasonable times during normal business hours. Any audit may be conducted on Contractor's premises or, at County's option, Contractor shall provide all books and records within fifteen (15) days upon delivery of written notice from County. Contractor shall promptly refund any moneys erroneously charged and shall be liable for the costs of audit if the audit establishes an over-charge of five percent (5%) or more of the Maximum Contract Price.

26. **Audit Review Procedures**

- a. Any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under an interim or post audit of this AGREEMENT that is not disposed of by AGREEMENT, shall be reviewed by LOCAL AGENCY'S Chief Financial Officer.
- b. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of the final audit report, CONSULTANT may request a review by LOCAL AGENCY'S Chief Financial Officer of unresolved audit issues. The request for review will be submitted in writing.
- c. Neither the pendency of a dispute nor its consideration by LOCAL AGENCY will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance, in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT.
- d. CONSULTANT and subconsultant AGREEMENTs, including cost proposals and Indirect Cost Rates (ICR), may be subject to audits or reviews such as, but not limited to, an AGREEMENT audit, an incurred cost audit, an ICR Audit, or a CPA ICR audit work paper review. If selected for audit or review, the AGREEMENT, cost proposal and ICR and related work papers, if applicable, will be reviewed to verify compliance with 48 CFR Part 31 and other related laws and regulations. In the instances of a CPA ICR audit work paper review it is CONSULTANT's responsibility to ensure federal, LOCAL AGENCY, or local government officials are allowed full access to the CPA's work papers including making copies as necessary. The AGREEMENT, cost proposal, and ICR shall be adjusted by CONSULTANT and approved by LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator to conform to the audit or review recommendations. CONSULTANT agrees that individual terms of costs identified in the audit report shall be incorporated into the AGREEMENT by this reference if directed by LOCAL AGENCY at its sole discretion. Refusal by CONSULTANT to incorporate audit or review recommendations, or to ensure that the federal, LOCAL AGENCY or local governments have access to CPA work papers, will be considered a breach of AGREEMENT terms and cause for termination of the AGREEMENT and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.
- e. CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal may be subject to a CPA ICR Audit Work Paper Review and/or audit by the Independent Office of Audits and Investigations (IOAI). IOAI, at its sole discretion, may review and/or audit and approve the CPA ICR documentation. The Cost Proposal shall be

adjusted by the CONSULTANT and approved by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator to conform to the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report. Refusal by the CONSULTANT to incorporate the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report will be considered a breach of the AGREEMENT terms and cause for termination of the AGREEMENT and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.

- During IOAI's review of the ICR audit work papers created by the CONSULTANT's independent CPA, IOAI will work with the CPA and/or CONSULTANT toward a resolution of issues that arise during the review. Each party agrees to use its best efforts to resolve any audit disputes in a timely manner. If IOAI identifies significant issues during the review and is unable to issue a cognizant approval letter, LOCAL AGENCY will reimburse the CONSULTANT at an accepted ICR until a FAR (Federal Acquisition Regulation) compliant ICR {e.g. 48 CFR Part 31; GAGAS (Generally Accepted Auditing Standards); CAS (Cost Accounting Standards), if applicable; in accordance with procedures and guidelines of the American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Audit Guide; and other applicable procedures and guidelines} is received and approved by IOAI.

Accepted rates will be as follows:

- a. If the proposed rate is less than one hundred fifty percent (150%) - the accepted rate reimbursed will be ninety percent (90%) of the proposed rate.
  - b. If the proposed rate is between one hundred fifty percent (150%) and two hundred percent (200%) - the accepted rate will be eighty-five percent (85%) of the proposed rate.
  - c. If the proposed rate is greater than two hundred percent (200%) - the accepted rate will be seventy-five percent (75%) of the proposed rate.
- If IOAI is unable to issue a cognizant letter per paragraph E.1. above, IOAI may require CONSULTANT to submit a revised independent CPA-audited ICR and audit report within three (3) months of the effective date of the management letter. IOAI will then have up to six (6) months to review the CONSULTANT's and/or the independent CPA's revisions.
    1. CONSULTANT fails to comply with the provisions of this paragraph E, or if IOAI is still unable to issue a cognizant approval letter after the revised independent CPA audited ICR is submitted, overhead cost reimbursement will be limited to the accepted ICR that was established upon initial rejection of the ICR and set forth in paragraph E.1. above for all rendered services. In this event, this accepted ICR will become the actual and final ICR for reimbursement purposes under this AGREEMENT.
    2. CONSULTANT may submit to LOCAL AGENCY final invoice only when all of the following items have occurred: (1) IOAI accepts or adjusts the original or revised independent CPA audited ICR; (2) all work under this AGREEMENT has been completed to the satisfaction of LOCAL AGENCY; and, (3) IOAI has issued its final ICR review letter. The CONSULTANT MUST SUBMIT ITS FINAL INVOICE TO LOCAL AGENCY no later than sixty (60) calendar days after occurrence of the last of these items. The accepted ICR will apply to this AGREEMENT and all other agreements executed between LOCAL AGENCY and the CONSULTANT, either as a prime or subconsultant, with the same fiscal period ICR.

27. **Retention of Record/Audits** For the purpose of determining compliance with Gov. Code § 8546.7, the CONSULTANT, Subconsultants, and LOCAL AGENCY shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, Independent CPA Audited Indirect Cost Rate workpapers, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of the AGREEMENT including, but not limited to, the costs of administering the AGREEMENT. All parties, including the CONSULTANT's Independent CPA, shall make such workpapers and materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during the AGREEMENT period and for three (3) years from the date of final payment under the AGREEMENT. LOCAL AGENCY, Caltrans Auditor, FHWA, or any duly authorized representative of the Federal government having jurisdiction under Federal laws or regulations (including the basis of Federal funding in whole or in part) shall have access to any books, records, and documents of the CONSULTANT, Subconsultants, and the CONSULTANT's Independent CPA, that are pertinent to the AGREEMENT for audits, examinations, workpaper review, excerpts, and transactions, and copies thereof shall be furnished if requested without limitation.

28. **Termination**

- A. A Material Breach, as defined pursuant to the terms of this Contract or otherwise, in addition to any other remedy available at law or otherwise, shall serve as a basis upon which County may elect to immediately suspend payments hereunder, or terminate this Contract, or both, with notice.
- B. If Contractor fails to timely provide in any manner the services materials and products required under this Contract, or otherwise fails to promptly comply with the terms of this Contract, or violates any ordinance, regulation or other law which applies to its performance herein, County may terminate this Contract by giving **five (5) calendar days written notice to Contractor.**
- C. Either party may terminate this Contract for any reason, or without cause, by giving **thirty (30) calendar days written notice** to the other, which notice shall be sent by registered mail in conformity with the notice provisions, below. In the event of termination not the fault of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be paid for services performed to the date of termination in accordance with the terms of this Contract. Contractor shall be excused for failure to perform services herein if such performance is prevented by acts of God, strikes, labor disputes or other forces over which the Contractor has no control.
- D. County, upon giving **thirty (30) calendar days written notice** to Contractor, shall have the right to terminate its obligations under this Contract at the end of any fiscal year if the County or the State of California, as the case may be, does not appropriate funds sufficient to discharge County's obligations coming due under this contract.

In the event this Contract is terminated:

- 1) Contractor shall deliver copies of all writings prepared by it pursuant to this Contract. The term "writings" shall be construed to mean and include: handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostatting, photographing, and every other means of recording upon any tangible thing any form of communication or representation, including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols, or combinations thereof.
- 2) County shall have full ownership and control of all such writings delivered by Contractor pursuant to this Contract.
- 3) County shall pay Contractor the reasonable value of services rendered by Contractor to the date of termination pursuant to this Contract not to exceed the amount documented by Contractor and approved by County as work accomplished to date; provided, however, that in no event shall any payment hereunder exceed the amount of the Contract specified in Exhibit B, and further provided, however, County shall not in any manner be liable for lost profits which might have been made by Contractor had Contractor completed the services required by this Contract. In this regard, Contractor shall furnish to County such financial information as in the judgment of the County is necessary to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by Contractor. The foregoing is cumulative and does not affect any right or remedy, which County may have in law or equity.

29. **Disputes** Prior to either party commencing any legal action under this AGREEMENT, the parties agree to try in good faith, to settle any dispute amicably between them. If a dispute has not been settled after forty-five (45) days of good-faith negotiations and as may be otherwise provided herein, then either party may commence legal action against the other.

- A. Any dispute, other than audit, concerning a question of fact arising under this AGREEMENT that is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by a committee consisting of LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator and Community Development Agency Director, who may consider written or verbal information submitted by CONSULTANT.
- B. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days after completion of all work under the AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT may request review by LOCAL AGENCY Governing Board of unresolved claims or disputes, other than audit. The request for review will be submitted in writing.
- C. Neither the pendency of a dispute, nor its consideration by the committee will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT.

30. **Claims Filed by Local Agency's Construction Contractor**
- A. If claims are filed by LOCAL AGENCY's construction contractor relating to work performed by CONSULTANT's personnel, and additional information or assistance from CONSULTANT's personnel is required in order to evaluate or defend against such claims; CONSULTANT agrees to make its personnel available for consultation with LOCAL AGENCY'S construction contract administration and legal staff and for testimony, if necessary, at depositions and at trial or arbitration proceedings.
  - B. CONSULTANT's personnel that LOCAL AGENCY considers essential to assist in defending against construction contractor claims will be made available on reasonable notice from LOCAL AGENCY. Consultation or testimony will be reimbursed at the same rates, including travel costs that are being paid for CONSULTANT's personnel services under this AGREEMENT.
  - C. Services of CONSULTANT's personnel in connection with LOCAL AGENCY's construction contractor claims will be performed pursuant to a written contract amendment, if necessary, extending the termination date of this AGREEMENT in order to resolve the construction claims.
31. **Intellectual Property** To the extent County provides any of its own original photographs, diagrams, plans, documents, information, reports, computer code and all recordable media together with all copyright interests thereto, not the property of Contractor (herein "Intellectual Property"), which concern or relate to this Contract and which have been prepared by, for or submitted to Contractor by County, shall be the property of County, and upon fifteen (15) days demand therefor, shall be promptly delivered to County without exception.
32. **Waiver** One or more waivers by one party of any major or minor breach or default of any provision, term, condition, or covenant of this Contract shall not operate as a waiver of any subsequent breach or default by the other party.
33. **Conflict of Interest** Contractor certifies that no official or employee of the County, nor any business entity in which an official of the County has an interest, has been employed or retained to solicit or aid in the procuring of this Contract. In addition, Contractor agrees that no such person will be employed in the performance of this Contract unless first agreed to in writing by County. This includes prior Nevada County employment in accordance with County Personnel Code.
- A. During the term of this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT shall disclose any financial, business, or other relationship with LOCAL AGENCY that may have an impact upon the outcome of this AGREEMENT or any ensuing LOCAL AGENCY construction project. The CONSULTANT shall also list current clients who may have a financial interest in the outcome of this AGREEMENT or any ensuing LOCAL AGENCY construction project which will follow.
  - B. CONSULTANT certifies that it has disclosed to LOCAL AGENCY any actual, apparent, or potential conflicts of interest that may exist relative to the services to be provided pursuant to this AGREEMENT. CONSULTANT agrees to advise LOCAL AGENCY of any actual, apparent or potential conflicts of interest that may develop subsequent to the date of execution of this AGREEMENT. CONSULTANT further agrees to complete any statements of economic interest if required by either LOCAL AGENCY ordinance or State law.
  - C. The CONSULTANT hereby certifies that it does not now have, nor shall it acquire any financial or business interest that would conflict with the performance of services under this AGREEMENT.
  - D. The CONSULTANT hereby certifies that the CONSULTANT or subconsultant and any firm affiliated with the CONSULTANT or subconsultant that bids on any construction contract or on any Agreement to provide construction inspection for any construction project resulting from this AGREEMENT, has established necessary controls to ensure a conflict of interest does not exist. An affiliated firm is one, which is subject to the control of the same persons, through joint ownership or otherwise.
34. **Rebates, Kickbacks or Other Unlawful Consideration** The CONSULTANT warrants that this AGREEMENT was not obtained or secured through rebates, kickbacks or other unlawful consideration either promised or paid to any LOCAL AGENCY employee. For breach or violation of this warranty, LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right, in its discretion, to terminate this AGREEMENT without liability, to pay only for the value of the work actually performed, or to deduct from this AGREEMENT price or otherwise recover the full amount of such rebate, kickback or other unlawful consideration.

35. **Prohibition of Expending Local Agency, State, Or Federal Funds for Lobbying**
- A. The CONSULTANT certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
1. No State, Federal, or LOCAL AGENCY appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the CONSULTANT, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any local, State, or Federal agency, a Member of the State Legislature or United States Congress, an officer or employee of the Legislature or Congress, or any employee of a Member of the Legislature or Congress in connection with the awarding or making of this AGREEMENT, or with the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of this AGREEMENT.
  2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- B. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. §1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and not more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for each such failure.
- C. The CONSULTANT also agrees by signing this document that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subagreements, which exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), and that all such subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
36. **Entirety of Contract** This Contract contains the entire Contract of County and Contractor with respect to the subject matter hereof, and no other Contract, statement, or promise made by any party, or to any employee, officer or agent of any party, which is not contained in this Contract, shall be binding or valid.
37. **Alteration** No waiver, alteration, modification, or termination of this Contract shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by all parties, except as expressly provided in Section 19, Termination.
38. **Governing Law and Venue** This Contract is executed and intended to be performed in the State of California, and the laws of that State shall govern its interpretation and effect. The venue for any legal proceedings regarding this Contract shall be the County of Nevada, State of California. Each party waives any Federal court removal and/or original jurisdiction rights it may have.
39. **Compliance with Applicable Laws** Contractor shall comply with any and all federal, state and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations which relate to, concern or affect the Services to be provided by this Contract.
40. **Debarment and Suspension Certification** The CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the CONSULTANT or any person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer or manager:
41. Subrecipient This contract shall not be subject to subrecipient status as such: the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 CFR Part 200 et al (commonly referred to as the "OMB Super Circular" or "Uniform Guidance"). A copy of these regulations is available at the link provided herein for the Code of Federal Regulations.  
[https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200\\_main\\_02.tpl](https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200_main_02.tpl)
42. **Cost Principles and Administrative Requirements**
- A. The CONSULTANT agrees that 48 CFR Part 31, Contract Cost Principles and Procedures, shall be used to determine the allowability of individual terms of cost.
  - B. The CONSULTANT also agrees to comply with Federal procedures in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.
  - C. Any costs for which payment has been made to the CONSULTANT that are determined by subsequent audit to be unallowable under 48 CFR Part 31 or 2 CFR Part 200 are subject to

repayment by the CONSULTANT to LOCAL AGENCY.

- D. When a CONSULTANT or Subconsultant is a Non-Profit Organization or an Institution of Higher Education, the Cost Principles for Title 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards shall apply.

43. **Additional Contractor Responsibilities**

- A. This section omitted.
B. Contractor will immediately notify County of any active complaints, lawsuits, licensing or regulatory investigations, reports of fraud or malfeasance, or criminal investigations regarding its operations under this Agreement. Contractor agrees to work cooperatively with County in response to any investigation commenced by County with regard to this Contract or the clients served herein, including providing any/all records requested by County related thereto.
C. This section omitted.

44. **Inspection of Work** CONSULTANT and any subconsultant shall permit LOCAL AGENCY, the State, and the FHWA if federal participating funds are used in this AGREEMENT; to review and inspect the project activities and files at all reasonable times during the performance period of this AGREEMENT.

45. **Safety**

- A. CONSULTANT shall comply with OSHA regulations applicable to CONSULTANT regarding necessary safety equipment or procedures. CONSULTANT shall comply with safety instructions issued by LOCAL AGENCY Safety Officer and other LOCAL AGENCY representatives. CONSULTANT personnel shall wear hard hats and safety vests at all times while working on the construction project site.
B. Pursuant to the authority contained in Vehicle Code §591, LOCAL AGENCY has determined that such areas are within the limits of the project and are open to public traffic. CONSULTANT shall comply with all of the requirements set forth in Divisions 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Vehicle Code. CONSULTANT shall take all reasonably necessary precautions for safe operation of its vehicles and the protection of the traveling public from injury and damage from such vehicles.

46. **Evaluation of Consultant** CONSULTANT’s performance will be evaluated by LOCAL AGENCY. A copy of the evaluation will be sent to CONSULTANT for comments. The evaluation together with the comments shall be retained as part of the AGREEMENT record.

47. **Notification** Any notice or demand desired or required to be given hereunder shall be in writing and deemed given when personally delivered or deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the parties as follows:

**COUNTY OF NEVADA:**

Nevada County
Public Works Department
Address: 950 Maidu Ave, Ste 170
City, St, Zip Nevada City, CA 95959
Attn: Patrick Perkins
Email: Patrick.perkins@nevadacountyca.gov
Phone: 530.265.1712

**CONTRACTOR:**

Name of firm
HDR Construction Control Corp.
Address 2365 Iron Point Rd. Suite 300
City, St, Zip Folsom Ca 95630
Attn: Greg Zeiss
Email: Greg.Zeiss@hdrinc.com
Phone: 916-367-8059

Any notice so delivered personally shall be deemed to be received on the date of delivery, and any notice mailed shall be deemed to be received five (5) days after the date on which it was mailed.

Executed as of the day first above stated:

**Authority:** All individuals executing this Contract on behalf of Contractor represent and warrant that they are authorized to execute and deliver this Contract on behalf of Contractor.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed this Agreement on the date first written, above. One counterpart each has been delivered to County, Contractor, and the Sureties. All portions of the contract documents have been signed or identified by County and Contractor.

COUNTY OF NEVADA

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair, Board of Supervisors

**CONTRACTOR: HDR Construction Control Corp.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Title: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

***\*If Contractor is a corporation, this Contract must be signed by two corporate officers; one of which must be the secretary of the corporation, and the other may be either the President or Vice President, unless an authenticated corporate resolution is attached delegating authority to a single officer to bind the corporation (California Corporations Code Sec. 313).***

**Exhibits**

- A. Schedule of Services
- B. Schedule of Charges and Payments
- C. Insurance Requirements

## EXHIBIT A

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Under direction of County Engineering staff, HDR will assist in the following general list of scope of services for engineering support of Public Works:

## HDR Scope for Nevada County Dog Bar Road Bridge Projects

HDR will provide a Resident Engineer, Inspector, part-time Office Engineer, and Material Testing for the construction management of the Hirschdale Road Bridges Project. HDR will perform this work with assistance from our DBE material testing subconsultant, Sierra Geotechnical, and our DBE team member MGE, who will assist in submittal reviews and inspection. The Project will be administered in conformance of Section 15, 16, and 17 of the Caltrans LAPM.

### Preconstruction

#### Review Project Documents

HDR believes that the construction manager should know more about a project at the start of construction than the contractor. During the preconstruction phase, HDR will review the final package of plans and specifications as well as the engineer's estimate, the RE pending file developed by the designer, the environmental impact report, permits, right-of-way agreements, utility agreements, engineer estimate calculations, and the geotechnical report. Our team will also facilitate a separate kickoff meeting with the design team and other stakeholders to have a better understanding of the design intent as well as their concerns.

#### Preconstruction Conference

HDR will hold a preconstruction conference with the with key stakeholders including the Contractor and the County. The ultimate goal of this meeting will be to establish managerial and administrative procedures with the contractor to verify efficient startup and execution of the project. This includes discussing major project milestones, meet key personnel, and begin the coordination required for construction management.

### Construction Phase Approach

#### Project Coordination

The Resident Engineer will serve as the focal point for coordination among the County, the Contractor, the permit agencies, the utility companies, the public, and the HDR team. The Resident Engineer will have weekly meetings with the Contractor and County that will include the parties who have a relevant interest in the work.

Close communication will be maintained with the County Project Manager. The Resident Engineer's proactive project responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Preparation of construction management reports
- Clarifications and interpretations of contract documents
- Review and responses to submittals/shop drawings
- Design modifications/revisions as required
- Schedule management
- Testing and documentation
- Confirm contractor is using his biologists to generate biological reports/inspections per the environmental permits
- Coordinate with UPRR for work in their ROW per the construction agreement per UPRR and the County

### **Document Control**

HDR will be responsible for the coordination and filing of the required contract documents. All documents will be filed in accordance with the Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual for conformance with federal contract administration requirements. The County will be copied on all correspondence. Typical documents copied to the County during the contract will include:

- Resident Engineer diaries
- Contractor/Resident Engineer correspondences
- Progress pay recommendations
- Requests for information
- Change order/claim recommendations
- Traffic control and safety issues
- Public relation issues
- Weekly statement of working days
- Contractor's UPRR shop drawings

### **Submittal Management**

The contract documents specify submittals to be provided by the Contractor, which are subject to review by the Resident Engineer. When the Resident Engineer receives submittals from the Contractor, the submittals will be stamped and logged in by the date of receipt. The submittals will then be promptly reviewed and distributed to the designer, the County, and the HDR construction management team as required for approval/review. Typical submittals reviewed include material submittals, shop plans, traffic control plans, working drawings, and CPM schedules.

### **Request for Information (RFI)**

HDR will manage Contractor-requested RFIs during construction. RFIs will be addressed by HDR construction management team, the designer, the County, or others as-needed. The Resident Engineer will log and track the RFIs to assure timely response, conduct meetings with the Contractor and/or others as needed for RFI resolution and prepare responses to the Contractor.

### **Traffic Control**

Traffic control plans will be prepared by the Contractor, reviewed by the Resident Engineer, and submitted to the County for final approval. In his review, the Resident Engineer will confirm that the plans conform to Nevada County Standards and the CA Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. Emphasis will be placed on public safety, traffic flow, residents' access, and public convenience. Additionally, HDR will coordinate with UPRR for railroad flagging.

### **Digital Photography**

HDR will document the Contractor's progress through digital photography with date and time of the recording included in the imagery. HDR will document all non-compliance issues as well as any other site condition requested by the County.

### **Utility Coordination**

While it is the Contractor's responsibility to coordinate with utilities, the Resident Engineer will take a proactive approach in verifying that the Contractor is scheduling, coordinating, installing, and relocating utilities during the construction contract. A utility coordination meeting will be held prior to beginning work to establish relationships, protocol for coordinating the utility work, and confirming the utility company schedules. Extremely important here is that the Contractor contacts Underground Service Alert (USA) 48- hours before each excavation begins.

### **Weekly Progress Meetings**

HDR will hold weekly progress meetings with the County, the Contractor, and other agencies, as required, to identify work completed, to plan and coordinate activities for the coming weeks, to discuss project issues and potential problems, and to facilitate solutions to construction issues. HDR will provide meeting agenda, record and transcribe the minutes of the meetings, assign action items, and distribute/review previous meeting minutes to relevant parties in order to put closure to completed items.

### **Schedule Management/CPM**

The Resident Engineer will review both the construction base schedule and schedule updates to confirm adherence to the Project Specifications and progress of work. Submitted schedules will be noted as acceptable or unapproved (for Contractor resubmittal) with specifics for the rejection (if any). Change order, Contractor delay, and weather impacts will be analyzed to determine schedule impact. Two-week look-ahead schedules will be requested from the Contractor by the Resident Engineer. In addition, Weekly Statement of Working Days will be developed by the Resident Engineer and submitted to the Contractor. Weekly progress meeting minutes will be recorded.

### **Project Payments**

The Resident Engineer will review the project pay estimate submitted by the Contractor. Each contract pay item will be verified with our field measurement and confirmed by the Inspector Diaries. Quantity justifications for each item of work will be filed independently in the project files. Estimate verification will include any increase/ decrease in cost as a result of approved contract change orders. Once the Resident Engineer has found the payment acceptable, he will submit it to the County for payment.

### **Contract Change Orders (CCO)**

CCOs will be issued to the Contractor on behalf of Nevada County. Our Resident Engineer will evaluate, negotiate, and prepare all contract change orders as directed by the County. In reviewing potential change orders, our Resident Engineer will:

- Keep County informed on status of all CCOs
- Maintain a log of proposed CCOs, indicating actions dates and status
- Identify source of potential CCO (owner-directed, unforeseen site conditions, etc.)
- Determine if the condition is actually a changed condition and document if valid
- Coordinate with County and the County's design team regarding impacts to the design
- Independently evaluate cost and schedule impacts of CCO, and document findings
- Determine if extra working days are warranted due to schedule critical path impacts

- Evaluate Contractor's CCO cost estimate and schedule impacts and negotiate as necessary
- Prepare CCO documentation for County and Contractor signatures
- Prepare and incorporate the CCO into the progress payment breakdown
- Continually inspect and document work time and materials
- Verify that accurate inspector daily diaries of labor, equipment, and materials agree with the Contractor
- Perform force account calculations based on Section 9-1.03 of the Caltrans Standard Specifications
- Review daily extra work reports promptly

**Claims Avoidance and Resolution**

Should the contractor submit a Notice of Potential Claim (NOPC), our Resident Engineer will evaluate, log, and prepare documents and supporting evidence of each claim and make recommendations to the County on how to best respond to the Contractor's NOPC. In general, it is always best to attempt to resolve Contractor issues, including claims, at the lowest level possible. We will be available to provide additional support if further actions are required after the contract is complete.

**Inspection and Resident Engineer Daily Diaries**

Our Resident Engineer will prepare a daily resident engineer diary of project events and conversations. HDR will also provide construction inspection to confirm that the contract work complies with the project plans, specifications, and other applicable documents. Our inspectors will develop daily inspection diaries for documentation of the project for extra work billings, contract disputes, differing site conditions, and "as-built" record.

Primary inspection services will likely include the following:

- Provide day-to-day written inspection reports on all work performed by the Contractor
- Document work performed, manpower, and extra work through daily diaries
- Schedule Quality Assurance material testing with Holdrege & Kull and coordinate corrective measures as required for failing materials
- Identify any potential flaws in the constructed product and provide feedback on proposed remedial action from the Contractor
- Perform quantity calculations based on completed work for progress payments
- Take progress photos of the work and field conditions
- Prepare punch list and update as-built records as the work progresses
- Record weather, work activities, problems encountered, solutions agreed upon
- Monitor traffic detours/lane closures and verify that they are opened in a timely manner

**Certified Payrolls/DBE Verification/ Subcontracting**

HDR will review and coordinate all Contractor and subcontractor certified payroll manpower utilization reports and compare them against the Inspector's Daily Diaries. This includes confirming Labor Compliance Program in accordance with AB 1506 and the Davis-Bacon Act.

The Resident Engineer will verify that the Contractor has conformed to the contract Disadvantaged Business Enterprise requirements (Local Assistance Form CPCEM-2403 [FJ]). To verify that the prime Contractor is performing his required share of the work, Local Assistance Form DC-CEM-1201 will be used. The inspector will perform Contractor and Subcontractor employee interviews following

State and Federal guidelines twice a month. HDR will also verify that the Contractor posts all specified posters, notices, and wage determinations at the job site.

### **Storm Water Pollution Prevention**

HDR will take a proactive role in confirming the SWPPP is managed in accordance with the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) General Permit. Responsibilities generally include:

- Uploading the required SWPPP documents into the Storm Water Multi Application Reporting and Tracking System (SMARTS)
- Submitting the Notice of Intent and the Notice of Termination
- Reviewing the Contractor's SW PPP for contract compliance and accept/reject
- Placing appropriate BMPs onsite and addressed the BMPs and pollution risk in the SWPPP
- Managing storm water run-off and run-on controls
- Developing a Rain Event Action Plan (REAP) developed 48-hours prior to a rain event probability of 50% or greater
- Confirm that Adherence Numeric Action Level are enforced
- Inspecting and documenting a minimum of every week, immediately before a rain event, every 24 hours during a rain event, and immediately after a rain event
- View "discharge" location within 24 hours of each rain event, report illicit discharges, if any
- Inspect and oversee Contractor required repairs and adjustments to project BMPs

### **Material Control**

HDR will use the Caltrans Construction Manual for materials testing frequencies incorporated in the work. Materials will either be tested in the field or will come in the form of manufactured materials. Materials will be accepted for use in the work as follows:

#### **Field Material Testing**

For recording of tests, results will be logged. Failed tests that require additional work or replacement will be documented in the log and filed, as will retests. Only work with passing materials tests shall be accepted. Materials testing services that are typically be performed by our subconsultant include:

- Portland Cement Concrete: Compression, Sieve, and SE
- Asphalt Concrete: Sieve, SE, Density and AC Content
- Aggregate Base: Compaction
- Native Material Subgrade: Compaction
- Embankment/Structural Backfill: Compaction, Material Conformance

#### **Manufactured Materials**

Manufactured materials will be accepted on confirmation by the Resident Engineer of the materials' conformance to the Project Plans and Specifications based on the manufacturer's data sheet, Certificate of Compliance, and visual verification.

### **Post-Construction**

The post-construction services include project closeout after issuance of substantial completion for the construction Contractor. This task will consolidate punch lists of remaining work, compile record drawing information, and provide one copy of marked-up red-lines of the project drawings to the design consultant.

Engineer will coordinate all closeout procedures. This includes a final walk-through of the project with the County and other personnel or agencies who have a vested interest in the completed facilities. HOR will advise the County of key milestones such as substantial completion and liquidated damage issues, coordinate closeout procedures, and monitor the Contractor's progress to finalize all project records, complete and correct as-builts, and other documentations required by the contract documents. Ultimately, HDR will prepare and advise the County on final payment and contract documentation.

### **Claims Management**

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### **As-Built Record Drawings**

HDR will obtain the Contractor's redline record (as-built) drawings, Operations and Maintenance Manuals, if any, required documents, lien releases, and written warranties. HDR will review and make recommendation to the County regarding final acceptance. On acceptance of the final inspection, our Resident Engineer and Inspector will perform a final review of the record drawings. Once the final review is complete, drawings will be submitted to the County.

### **Project Records**

The original set of all the project construction administration files, including photographs, as mandated by the LAPM and the Construction Manual are to be submitted to the County.

### **Punch List/Final Inspection/Final Payment/ Project Close Up**

In accordance with "Final Inspection" of the contract specifications, after the Contractor has completed all deficient items noted on the final punch list and final clean-up prior to Contractor de-mobilization, our Resident Engineer will coordinate all closeout procedures. This includes a final walk-through of the project with the County and other personnel or agencies who have a vested interest in the completed facilities. HDR will advise the County of key milestones such as substantial completion and liquidated damage issues, coordinate closeout procedures, and monitor the Contractor's progress to finalize all project records, complete and correct as-builts, and other documentations required by the contract documents. Ultimately, HDR will prepare and advise the County on final payment and contract documentation.

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## **Exhibit B**

### **Schedule of charges and Payments**

#### **Maximum Limit & Fee Schedule**

Contractor's compensation shall be paid at the schedule shown below.

All expenses of Contractor, including any expert or professional assistance retained by Contractor to complete the work performed under this contract shall be borne by the Contractor.

The total of all payments made under this Contract shall not exceed the amount shown in Section 2 of this contract.

#### **Invoices**

Invoices shall be submitted to County in a form and with sufficient detail as required by County. Work performed by Contractor will be subject to final acceptance by the County project manager(s).

Submit all invoices to:

Nevada County  
Public Works Department  
Address: 950 Maidu Ave, Ste 170  
City, St, Zip Nevada City, CA 95959  
Attn: Patrick Perkins  
Email: [Patrick.perkins@nevadacountyca.gov](mailto:Patrick.perkins@nevadacountyca.gov)  
Phone: 530-265-1411



### **Allowable Costs and Payments**

- A. The method of payment for the following items shall be at the rate specified for each item, as described in this Article. The specified rate shall include full compensation to CONSULTANT for the item as described, including but not limited to, any repairs, maintenance, or insurance, and no further compensation will be allowed therefore.
- B. The specified rate to be paid for vehicle expense for CONSULTANT's field personnel shall be per the approved Cost Proposal. This rate shall be for fully equipped vehicle(s) specified in Article III Statement of Work, as applicable. The specified rate to be paid for equipment shall be, as listed in the approved Cost Proposal.
- C. The method of payment for this AGREEMENT, except those items to be paid for on a specified rate basis, will be based on cost per unit of work. LOCAL AGENCY will reimburse CONSULTANT for actual costs (including labor costs, employee benefits, travel, equipment-rental costs, overhead and other direct costs) incurred by CONSULTANT in performance of the work. CONSULTANT will not be reimbursed for actual costs that exceed the estimated wage rates, employee benefits, travel, equipment rental, overhead and other estimated costs set forth in the approved Cost Proposal, unless additional reimbursement is provided for, by AGREEMENT amendment. In no event, will CONSULTANT be reimbursed for overhead costs at a rate that exceeds LOCAL AGENCY approved overhead rate set forth in the approved Cost Proposal. In the event, LOCAL AGENCY determines that changed work from that specified in the approved Cost Proposal and AGREEMENT is required; the actual costs reimbursable by LOCAL AGENCY may be adjusted by AGREEMENT amendment to accommodate the changed work. The maximum total cost as specified in Paragraph "I," of this article shall not be exceeded unless authorized by AGREEMENT amendment.

### **Contingent Fee**

CONSULTANT warrants, by execution of this AGREEMENT that no person or selling agency has been employed, or retained, to solicit or secure this AGREEMENT upon an agreement or understanding, for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees, or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by CONSULTANT for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, LOCAL AGENCY has the right to annul this AGREEMENT without liability; pay only for the value of the work actually performed, or in its discretion to deduct from the AGREEMENT price or consideration, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

### **Prompt Payment from The Local Agency to Consultant**

The LOCAL AGENCY shall make any progress payment within 30 days after receipt of an undisputed and properly submitted payment request from CONSULTANT on a professional service contract. If the LOCAL AGENCY fails to pay promptly, the LOCAL AGENCY shall pay interest to the contractor, which accrues at the rate of 10 percent per annum on the principal amount of a money judgment remaining unsatisfied. Upon receipt of a payment request, the LOCAL AGENCY shall act in accordance with both of the following:

- (1) Each payment request shall be reviewed by the LOCAL AGENCY as soon as practicable after receipt for the purpose of determining that the payment request is a proper payment request.
- (2) Any payment request determined not to be a proper payment request suitable for payment shall be returned to CONSULTANT as soon as practicable, but not later than seven (7) days, after receipt. A request returned pursuant to this paragraph shall be accompanied by a document setting forth in writing the reasons why the payment request is not proper.

### **Funding Requirements**

- A. It is mutually understood between the parties that this AGREEMENT may have been written before ascertaining the availability of funds or appropriation of funds, for the mutual benefit of both parties, in order to avoid program and fiscal delays that would occur if the AGREEMENT were executed after that determination was made.
- B. This AGREEMENT is valid and enforceable only if sufficient funds are made available to LOCAL AGENCY for the purpose of this AGREEMENT. In addition, this AGREEMENT is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, conditions, or any statute enacted by the Congress, State Legislature, or LOCAL AGENCY governing board that may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this AGREEMENT in any manner.

- C. It is mutually agreed that if sufficient funds are not appropriated, this AGREEMENT may be amended to reflect any reduction in funds.
- D. LOCAL AGENCY has the option to terminate the AGREEMENT pursuant to Article VI Termination, or by mutual agreement to amend the AGREEMENT to reflect any reduction of funds.

The County will make payment within thirty (30) days after the billing is received and approved by County and as outlined above.

Unless otherwise agreed to by County, all payments owed by County to Contractor under this Contract shall be made by Automated Clearing House (ACH). In the event County is unable to release payment by ACH the Contractor agrees to accept payment by County warrant.

## Exhibit C

### Insurance Requirements

**Insurance.** Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, or employees. Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- (i) **Commercial General Liability (CGL):** Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an “occurrence” basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- (ii) **Automobile Liability** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Contractor has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (non-owned), with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage. (**Note – required only if auto is used in performance of work, submit waiver to Risk for approval to waive this requirement**)
- (iii) **Workers’ Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer’s Liability Insurance with limit of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease. (**Not required if contractor provides written verification it has no employees**).
- (iv) **Professional Liability** (Errors and Omissions) Insurance appropriate to the Contractor’s profession, with limit no less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence or claim, **\$2,000,000** aggregate.

If the Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the County requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions:**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- (i) **Additional Insured Status: The County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds** on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of the work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor’s insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10, CG 20 25, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used.)
- (ii) **Primary Coverage** For any claims related to this contract, the **Contractor’s insurance shall be primary** insurance primary coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor’s insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- (iii) **Notice of Cancellation** This policy shall not be cancelled without first giving thirty (30) days prior written notice and ten (10) days prior written notice of cancellation for non-payment of premium to the County of Nevada.
- (iv) **Waiver of Subrogation** Contractor hereby grants to County a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer or said Contractor may acquire against the County by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary

- to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.
- (v) **Sole Proprietors** If Contractor is a Sole Proprietor and has no employees, they are not required to have Workers Compensation coverage. Contractor shall sign a statement attesting to this condition, and shall agree they have no rights, entitlements or claim against County for any type of employment benefits or workers' compensation or other programs afforded to County employees.
  - (vi) **Deductible and Self-Insured Retentions** Deductible and Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County. The County may require the Contractor to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claims administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The Policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or County. **(Note – all deductibles and self-insured retentions must be discussed with risk, and may be negotiated)**
  - (vii) **Acceptability of Insurers:** Insurance is to be placed with insurers authorized to conduct business in the state with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the County.
  - (viii) **Claims Made Policies** if any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis: **(note – should be applicable only to professional liability)**
    - a. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
    - b. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
    - c. If the coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another **claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date**, prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of **five (5)** years after completion of contract work.
  - (ix) **Verification of Coverage** Contractor shall furnish the County with original Certificates of Insurance including all required amendatory endorsements (or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause) to County before work begins. However, failure to obtain and provide verification of the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The County reserves the right to require complete, copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.
  - (x) **Subcontractors** Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that County is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors. For CGL coverage subcontractors shall provide coverage with a format at least as broad as CG 20 38 04 13.
  - (xi) **Special Risks or Circumstances** County reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances provided that any changes to these insurance requirements will require approval from Contractor, and such approval will not be reasonably withheld.
  - (xii) **Conformity of Coverages** If more than one policy is used to meet the required coverages, such as an umbrella policy or excess policy, such policies shall be following form with all other applicable policies used to meet these minimum requirements. For example, all policies shall be Occurrence Liability policies or all shall be Claims Made Liability policies, if approved by the County as noted above. In no cases shall the types of policies be different.
  - (xiii) **Premium Payments** The insurance companies shall have no recourse against the COUNTY and funding agencies, its officers and employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by a mutual insurance company.
  - (xiv) **Material Breach** Failure of the Contractor to maintain the insurance required by this Contract, or to comply with any of the requirements of this section, shall constitute a material breach of the entire Contract.

(xv) **Certificate Holder** The Certificate Holder on insurance certificates and related documents should read as follows:

County of Nevada  
950 Maidu Ave.  
Nevada City, CA 95959

Upon initial award of a contract to your firm, you may be instructed to send the actual documents to a County contact person for preliminary compliance review.

Certificates which amend or alter the coverage during the term of the contract, including updated certificates due to policy renewal, should be sent directly to Contract Administrator.

