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October 31, 2024

**AGENDA FOR A MEETING
OF THE RESOURCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT
TO BE HELD AT 2029 EAST AVENUE Q, PALMDALE**
Committee Members: Vincent Dino-Chair, Cynthia Sanchez

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024
1:00 p.m.

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- 1) Roll call.
- 2) Adoption of agenda.
- 3) Public comments for non-agenda items.
- 4) Action Items: (The public shall have an opportunity to comment on any action item as each item is considered by the Committee prior to action being taken.)



- 4.1) Consideration and Possible Action on Approval of Minutes of Meeting held April 11, 2024.
- 4.2) Consideration and Possible Action on Proposal from Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. for Brush Clearance Services at the Littlerock Dam Outlet Structure. (\$3,200.00 – Non-Budgeted - Facilities Manager Wall)
- 4.3) Consideration and Possible Action on Proposal from Venture Pacific Aquatic Weed Control for the Removal of Logs and Debris from the Littlerock Dam Spillway. (\$15,600.00 – Non-Budgeted – Facilities Manager Wall)
- 5) Reports.
 - 5.1) Resource and Analytics Supervisor Bolanos:
 - a) Department Update.
 - 5.2) Facilities Manager Wall:
 - a) Department Update.
 - 5.3) Assistant General Manager Rogers:
 - a) Engineering Department Update.
 - b) Palmdale Ditch Conversion.
 - c) Pure Water AV Demonstration Facility.
- 6) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.
- 7) Date of Next Committee Meeting.
- 8) Adjournment.



SCOTT L. ROGERS,
Assistant General Manager

SLR/dh



COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 5, 2024
TO: RESOURCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
FROM: Mr. Wendell Wall, Facilities Manager
VIA: Mr. Scott L. Rogers, Assistant General Manager
RE: *CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSAL FROM MARIPOSA TREE MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR BRUSH CLEARANCE SERVICES AT THE LITTLEROCK DAM OUTLET STRUCTURE. (\$3,200.00 – NON-BUDGETED – FACILITIES MANAGER WALL)*

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Committee approve the proposal from Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. for the clearing of brushes, cattails and weeds adjacent to Littlerock Dam Outlet Structure.

Alternative Options:

The Board can choose not to approve this work.

Impact of Taking No Action:

The brush, cattails and weeds will take over the area.

Background:

In 2023, the Division of Safety of Dams performed their annual inspection and requested that the District remove brush, cattails and weeds near the Littlerock Dam Outlet Structure and surrounding area which was quite a bit of removal. Staff received two proposals for the removal of the regrowth at the Outlet Structure and recommends Mariposa Tree Management, Inc.

Strategic Plan Initiative/Mission Statement:

This item is under Strategic Initiative No. 3 – Systems Efficiency.
 This item directly related to the District's Mission Statement.

Budget:

This item is non-budgeted. Staff has applied for reimbursement through FEMA.

Supporting Documents:

- Proposal from Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. in the amount of \$3,200.00
- Proposal from Tip Top Arborists in the amount of \$14,500.00



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T R E E M A N A G E M E N T , I N C

Wood Debris Removal Services

Palmdale Water District

Submitted: October 15th, 2024



Tel 800-794-9458 / Fax 626-960-8477
www.mariposa-ca.com

6232 Santos Díaz Street, Irwindale, CA91702
CA Contractors License #1061455 C61/D49, C27, C31, A



M A R I P O S A

T R E E M A N A G E M E N T , I N C

October 16th, 2024

ATTN: John Wucherpfennig
Operations Supervisor - Construction
Palmdale Water District
2029 East Avenue Q
Palmdale California 93550
Phone: 661-456-1091
Cell: 818-383-7620
Email: johnw@palmdalewater.org

Dear John

Mariposa Tree Management would like to thank you for the opportunity to submit a proposal for your Tree Maintenance Services.

For more than 45 years, Mariposa Tree Management has provided cities and counties throughout Southern California with expert tree care. Here is why we would be the best solution for you:

- **Specialized Expertise** - In December 2019, our company expanded its Tree Division by branching off from our parent company, Mariposa Landscapes. This specialization allows us to provide arboreal expertise that is unmatched by our competitors.
- **Decades of Experience** - Our team of more than 50 qualified experts has provided tree trimming to numerous cities, counties, businesses, and residences. Whether pruning an avenue of palms, saving a heritage tree, or providing cleanup after a storm, Mariposa has seen it all and can handle even the most challenging situations.
- **Personal Service** - Our clients choose Mariposa because of the personal attention we provide - in other words, you will not be "just a number." We pride ourselves on responsive, responsible and professional work.

We have thoroughly reviewed the proposed plans, and all site conditions for this project. Our price reflects all the necessary labor, equipment, and materials needed to perform this work. Our proposal is valid for 90 days after the submittal date. All work will be performed in strict accordance with the specifications outlined by your organization, and ISA standards.

We look forward to working together to develop and maintain a healthy and beautiful urban forest for your property.

Primary Point of Contact
Contact Name: Brandon Williamson, Estimator
Phone: (626) 327-4041
Fax: (626) 960-3809
Email: brandon.williamson@mariposa-ca.com

Our Website is www.mariposa-ca.com
Our Instagram is <https://www.instagram.com/mariposatree management/>

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandon Williamson

Tree Maintenance Services Proposal

Project Tasks: The Purpose of this project is to provide Brush Clearance Services for the Palmdale Water District. Project Location is the Littlerock Dam. Scope of work includes the following:

Retreat/remove cattails and weeds as discussed on the job walk on 10-14-24. Price includes hauling of all material generated by our work.

Scope of Work: This proposal provides for all labor, material, and equipment to perform tree services as requested and outlined in the tasks above. All Normal Tree Work Operations to be performed according to ANSI A300 standards. Prices include hauling of all material generated by our work.

Exclusions: The pricing listed on this proposal does not include additional costs for any permits that may be needed. In the case of traffic control permits being needed and incurring additional costs we will notify the client, and then add that cost to our invoice.

Timeline: This proposal is valid for 90 days. Project start will be within 90 days of award (Coordinated with client staff). Project completion will be within 1 days of project start.

Total Proposal Price: \$3,200.00

Today's Date: _____

Client Name: _____

Client Signature: _____

Terms and Conditions

It is agreed by and between Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. and the authorizing party (customer and/or customer's agent) that the following provisions are made as part of this contract:

Insurance by Contractor: Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. warrants that it is insured for liability resulting from injury to person(s) or property and that all employees are covered by Workers' Compensation as required by law. Certificates of coverage are available upon request.

Cancellation Fee: Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. kindly requests that the authorizing party provide at least 24 hours advance notice of any full or partial work cancellation. If a crew has been dispatched to the job site, the customer will be assessed a mobilization fee of \$150.00 for incurred expenses.

Completion of Contract: Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. agrees to do its best to meet any agreed upon performance dates, but shall not be liable in damages or otherwise for delays because of inclement weather, labor, or any other cause beyond its control; nor shall the customer be relieved of completion for delays.

Tree Ownership: The authorizing party warrants that all trees listed are located on the customer's property, and, if not, that the authorizing party has received full permission from the owner to allow Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. to perform the specified work. Should any tree be mistakenly identified as to ownership, the customer agrees to indemnify Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. for any damages or costs incurred from the result thereof.

Safety: Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. warrants that all arboricultural operations will follow the latest version of the ANSI Z133.1 industry safety standard. The authorizing party agrees to not enter the work area during arboricultural operations unless authorized by the crew leader on-site.

ANSI A300 Tree Care Standard Definitions: The following definitions apply to specifications detailed in this proposal.

Clean: Selective pruning to remove one or more of the following parts: dead, diseased, and/or broken branches. Unless noted otherwise on this proposal, all cleaning will be of branches 1-inch diameter or greater throughout the entire crown.

Crown: The leaves and branches of a tree measured from the lowest branch on the trunk to the top of the tree.

Leader: A dominant or co-dominant, upright stem.

Raise: Selective pruning to provide vertical clearance.

Reduce: Selective pruning to decrease height and/or spread by removing specified branches.

Restore: Selective pruning to improve the structure, form, and appearance of trees that have been severely headed, vandalized, or damaged.

Thin: Selective pruning to reduce density of live branches, usually by removing entire branches.

Vista Pruning: Selective pruning to allow a specific view, usually by creating view "windows" through the tree's crown.

Terms and Conditions

Stump Removal: Unless specified in the proposal, stump removal is not included in the price quoted. Grindings from stump removal are not hauled unless specified in this proposal. Surface and subsurface roots beyond the stump are not removed unless specified in this proposal.

Concealed Contingencies: Any additional work or equipment required to complete the work, caused by the authorizing party's failure to make known or caused by previously unknown foreign material in the trunk, the branches, underground, or any other condition not apparent in estimating the work specified, shall be paid for by the customer on a time and material basis. Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. is not responsible for damages to underground sprinklers, drain lines, invisible fences or underground cables unless the system(s) are adequately and accurately mapped by the authorizing party and a copy is presented before or at the time the work is performed.

Clean-up: Clean-up shall include removing wood, brush, and clippings, and raking of the entire area affected by the specified work, unless noted otherwise on this proposal.

Lawn Repair: Mariposa Tree Management, Inc. will attempt to minimize all disturbances to the customer's lawn. Lawn repairs are not included in the contract price, unless noted otherwise on this proposal.

Terms of Payment: Unless otherwise noted in this proposal, the customer agrees to pay the account in full within 30 days of work completion. Failure to remit full payment within the payment term will result in a finance charge of 0.50% per month.

Returned Check Fee: There will be a \$50.00 fee charged for all checks returned to our office for non-sufficient funds.





PO Box 2107
Lancaster CA 93539
Ph 877-942-8733
www.tiptoparborists.com

Job Name: Palmdale Water District 20241021 Littlerock Dam

Customer #: 624905

Customer: Palmdale Water District

Scott Hulsebus
2029 E Avenue Q
Palmdale, Ca 93550

Proposed By: Thomas Baal

Work Site: 34206 Cheseboro Rd
Palmdale, Ca 93550

Work: 661-947-4111

Fax: 661-947-7798

Mobile: 661-305-9640 Scott

Mobile: 818-383-7620 John W.

All pruning is done in accordance to ANSI A300 Standards.

Item	Plant	Description	Qty	Cost
1	DIR	<p>DIR</p> <p>The following proposal is a Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) job. If reporting, Palmdale Water District will need to supply Tip Top Arborists Inc with the appropriate Project ID number. Job wages will fall under the appropriate prevailing rate.</p> <p>Tip Top DIR# 1000004077</p> <p>The information and observations in the following proposal are the intellectual property of Tip Top Arborists, Inc and shall be shared with no one other than the prospective client.</p>	0	\$0.00
2	Various Type	<p>Service as described</p> <p>Three (3) areas of operation are:</p> <p><u>Dam outlet</u> - cut down as low as possible reeds and other plant material around the edges.</p> <p><u>Stream</u> - cut down all plants and weeds along stream leading from the base of the dam to the dam outlet. Material will be cleaned up and hauled away.</p> <p><u>Access vault</u> - cut down plant material minimum of 10' around concrete access to provide safety clearance. Material will be cleaned up and hauled away.</p>	3	\$14,500.00
Total:				\$14,500.00

Customer Signature

Date



View your Proposal or pay your bill at www.tiptoparborists.com

Tip Top Arborists is a professional corporation, State Contractors license # 821770, providing Worker's Compensation and Liability Insurance. NOT ALL CONTRACTORS OPERATE LEGALLY. Check out every contractor before you hire by calling 800-321-2752, or at www.cslb.ca.gov. **A 3% charge will be applied to all credit card transactions.**

Tom Baal Certified Arborist WE#7566ACell # 661-810-3772

Terms and Conditions

It is agreed by and between Tip Top Arborists Inc. and the authorizing party (customer and/or customer's agent) that the following provisions are made as part of this contract:

Insurance by Contractor: Tip Top Arborists Inc. warrants that it is insured for liability resulting from injury to person(s) or property and that all employees are covered by Workers' Compensation as required by law. Certificates of coverage are available upon request.

Completion of Contract: Tip Top Arborists Inc. agrees to do its best to meet any agreed upon performance dates but shall not be liable in damages or otherwise for delays because of inclement weather, labor, or any other cause beyond its control; nor shall the customer be relieved of completion for delays.

Tree Ownership: The authorizing party warrants that all trees listed are located on the customer's property, and, if not, that the authorizing party has received full permission from the owner to allow Tip Top Arborists Inc. to perform the specified work. Should any tree be mistakenly identified as to ownership, the customer agrees to indemnify Tip Top Arborists Inc. for any damages or costs incurred from the result thereof.

Safety: Tip Top Arborists Inc. warrants that all arboricultural operations will follow the latest version of the ANSI Z133.1 industry safety standards. The authorizing party agrees to not enter the work area during arboricultural operations unless authorized by the crew leader on-site.

ANSI A300 Tree Care Management Standard Definitions:

clean: Arboricultural term used to describe selective pruning to remove one or more of the following: dead, diseased, infested, rubbing, declining, detached and/or broken branches.

clearance area: Specified area from which vegetation is to be removed.

directional pruning: Selective removal of branches to guide and/or discourage growth in a particular direction. **pruning amount:** Quantity of plant parts removed at one pruning, expressed in terms of a number of branches or other parts removed, and/or percentage of the crown or buds removed on an entire tree or specific branches.

raising: Arboricultural term referring to pruning of branches to provide vertical clearance below the crown.

reduction: Arboricultural term referring to decreasing branch length, or plant height and/or spread.

reduction cut: A pruning cut that removes the larger of two or more branches or stems, or one or more codominant stem(s), to a live lateral branch, typically at least one-third the diameter of the stem or branch being removed.

removal cut, branch: A pruning cut that removes the smaller of two branches at a union, or a parent stem, without cutting into the branch bark ridge or branch collar or leaving a stub.

restoration: Pruning to redevelop structure, form, and appearance of topped or damaged woody plants.

risk: The combination of the likelihood of an event (e.g., tree failure and impact to a target) and the severity of the potential consequences (e.g., personal injury, property damage, or disruption of activities).

structural development pruning: Pruning to influence the orientation, spacing, growth rate, strength of attachment, and ultimate size of branches and stems.

thinning: An arboriculture term used to describe selective pruning to reduce density of branches and foliage.

Stump Removal: Unless specified in the proposal, stump removal is not included in the price quoted. Grindings from stump removal are not hauled unless specified in this proposal. Surface and subsurface roots beyond the stump are not removed unless specified in this proposal.

Concealed Contingencies: Any additional work or equipment required to complete the work, caused by the authorizing party's failure to make known or caused by previously unknown foreign material in the trunk, the branches, underground, or any other condition not apparent in estimating the work specified, shall be paid for by the customer on a time and material basis. Tip Top Arborists Inc. is not responsible for damages to underground sprinklers, drain lines, invisible fences, or underground cables unless the system(s) are adequately and accurately mapped by the authorizing party and a copy is presented before or at the time the work is performed.

Clean-up: Clean-up shall include removing wood, brush, and clippings, and raking of the entire area affected by the specified work, unless noted otherwise on this proposal.

Lawn Repair: Tip Top Arborists Inc. will attempt to minimize all disturbances to the customer's lawn. Lawn repairs are not included in the contract price, unless noted otherwise on this proposal.

Add-on Work: Tip Top Arborists Inc. is not responsible for additional work requested by customer not written in contract. Added work will need to be agreed upon by both salesman and customer and listed as separate work on work order.

Cancellation Fee: Tip Top Arborists Inc. requests that the authorizing party provide at least 24 hours advance notice of any full or partial work cancellation. If a crew has been dispatched to the job site, the customer will be assessed a mobilization fee of \$200.00 for incurred expenses.

Terms of Payment: Unless otherwise noted in this proposal, the customer agrees to pay the account in full at completion of service. Failure to remit full payment within the payment term will result in a finance charge of 2% per month.

Returned Check Fee: There will be a \$50 fee charged for all checks returned to our office for non-sufficient funds.



COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 5, 2024

TO: **RESOURCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

FROM: Mr. Wendell Wall, Facilities Manager

VIA: Mr. Scott L. Rogers, Assistant General Manager

RE: ***CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSAL FROM VENTURE PACIFIC AQUATIC WEED CONTROL FOR THE REMOVAL OF LOGS AND DEBRIS FROM THE LITTLEROCK DAM SPILLWAY. (\$15,600.00 – NON-BUDGETED – FACILITIES MANAGER WALL)***

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Committee approve the proposal from Venture Pacific Aquatic Weed Control for the removal of logs and debris from the Littlerock Dam spillway.

Alternative Options:

The Board can choose not to approve this work.

Impact of Taking No Action:

The logs and debris will obstruct the flow of water spilling over the Dam.

Background:

The winter storms in February 2024 caused a lot of debris and logs to flow into Littlerock Dam. In July, several logs and debris were removed. The current logs and debris are carried over from runoff of water from the watershed area into the Dam. It is imperative to have these logs and debris removed before the Dam begins to spill from any winter storms.

Strategic Plan Initiative/Mission Statement:

This item is under Strategic Initiative No. 3 – Systems Efficiency.

This item directly related to the District's Mission Statement.

Budget:

This item is non-budgeted. Staff has applied for reimbursement through FEMA.

Supporting Documents:

- Proposal from Venture Pacific Aquatic Weed Control in the amount of \$15,600.00
- Proposal from McNabb Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$ 17,542.00

PDF

Print



• **Venture Pacific Aquatic Weed Control**

- Venture Pacific Aquatic Weed Control
- 419 Skyline circle
- Fallbrook
- 92028
- 9096418394
- 909-641-8394
- Goodbyecattails.com
- Vpaquaticweedcontrol@gmail.com

• **PROPOSAL/WORK AUTHORIZATION**

WA289

• **DATE**

Oct 9, 2024

• **TOTAL**

USD \$15,600.00

- **TO**
- **Palmdale Water District**
- 2029 East Avenue Q
- Palmdale, Ca
- 93550

- 661-456-1052 ext. 1052
- 760-338-1059
- wwall@palmdalewater.org

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Little Rock Dam Debris Removal Remove debris from dam area, haul to ramp/shoreline and place on ramp. Price based on 8hr. days. Extra time billed @ 1125.00/hr, extra days billed @ 6300.00. * 2 Day minimum. Authorized Signature _____	\$6,300.00
	2
	\$12,600.00
Travel/Mobilization	\$3,000.00
	1
	\$3,000.00
TOTAL	USD \$15,600.00

Venture Pacific Aquatic Weed Control is registered: State of California for Public works projects #PW-LR-1000606537 State of California Small business certified.#2019659 State of Arizona business identification# AZ23206538 State of Nevada business identification # NV20201951995 Bonded and Insured. Website: GoodbyeCattails.com *Checks made out to: Venture Pacific Equipment* *Care will be taken performing our work, not responsible for damage to existing improvements.* *Water must be at least 3' deep to run harvester and to avoid any underwater cables. *Permits not included, if necessary. *Estimate Valid for 30 days.

Hi Wendell,

I am on vacation until Tuesday. So emailing the quote works great for me. We are a very busy right now, but if you want to do the work I can work it in within a month.

Please consider this my formal quote

Mobilization - \$3,584

2 day minimum - \$13,958

Extra days - \$6,979

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Dave

McNabb Construction, Inc.

DK Environmental (<https://dkenvironmental.com>)

3527 Mt Diablo Blvd #306

Lafayette, CA 94549

(925) 935-4200

dave@dkenvironmental.com