## Environmental Vegetation Technical Services (2023-01) Addendum 2 issued 2/27/2023

## **Questions and Responses**

1. What level of design does Zone 7 anticipate under this on-call?

**RESPONSE:** This is expected to range from initial discussion and conceptualizing with staff on selecting suitable plant species and preferred methodologies for our maintenance team to follow, to developing detailed site design and maintenance protocols and defining success criteria for submittal to the regulatory agencies as part of a permit package.

2. Since there is not a pre-bid meeting, will Zone 7 allow access to any of the sites/reach areas listed as a priority in the RFP?

**RESPONSE:** Future projects may occur on any of our flood control channels, many of which are open to the public via recreational trails managed by the local cities; this includes the Alamo Creek mitigation sites called out in the RFP – these are near Alamo Creek Park in Dublin.

The RFP particularly identifies two large restoration/mitigation projects requiring specialized care – the Stanley and Verona sites. The Stanley site is accessible to the public by a city trail along the south bank of Arroyo Mocho, between Murietta and Isabel Ave. Because the Verona site on Arroyo de la Laguna requires access via a private property and residence, Google Earth is recommended as the best approach for viewing the site, which is located just upstream of the Verona Bridge on the east bank.

3. Who are the incumbent contractors/firms for each of the services listed in the RFP?

**RESPONSE:** We have two firms currently under contract for these services; both contracts will expire in June 2023.

- (1) ECI performs various as-needed work including project planning, design, installation, watering, maintenance, monitoring & reporting.
- (2) Recon performs routine maintenance at our two largest sites. This includes hand watering, weeding, invasives removal, monitoring & reporting.
- 4. Is it Zone 7's intention to select more than one firm with overlapping services? Or would Zone 7 prefer to select 1 team that covers all of the services?

**RESPONSE:** Both options will be considered by the review team once all proposals have been evaluated.