Environment Committee

Meeting date: July 8, 2014

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 23, 2014

Subject: Authorization to Award and Execute a Construction Contract for Mound Area Improvements, L38/West Maintenance Facility, MCES Project Numbers 802824 and 802826, Contract Number 14P046

District(s), Member(s): District #3, Jennifer Munt

Policy/Legal Reference: 3-3, Expenditures

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the Mound Area Improvements, L38/West Maintenance Facility, MCES Project Numbers 802824 and 802826, Contract No. 14P046, with Rice Lake Construction Group, for their low responsive and responsible bid of \$13,320,000.

Background

The L38/West Maintenance Facility Project will accomplish two goals upon completion; (1) replace the 42-year old L38 lift station and provide capacity for future growth; and (2) construct a new maintenance facility to store equipment, vehicles and serve as an updated base for the western service area staff. The new lift station will be constructed deeper, which will allow for elimination of lift station L25, via construction of a new deeper gravity interceptor between L25 and L38.

Two bids, ranging from \$13,320,000 to \$14,045,500, were received and opened on June 18, 2014. The engineer's estimate is \$12,757,500. Rice Lake Construction Group had the lowest responsive and responsible bid of \$13,320,000.

The project is Public Facilities Authority (PFA) funded and has goals of 3% Minority-Owned Business Enterprise and 3% Women-Owned Business Enterprise participation. The Office of Equal Opportunity has passed Rice Lake Construction Group as meeting the goals set forth in the bid documents.

Rationale

Construction contract awards exceeding \$2,500,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

2014 MCES Authorized Capital Improvement Program

Currently Authorized: \$15,400,000

Unencumbered Funds: \$15,400,000

Requested Amount: \$13,320,000

Known Support / Opposition No known opposition

