

Subject	State Route 4 (w) Gap Closure Project (Project 1501)— Amendment # 8 to Consulting Services Agreement No. 118 with URS Corporation
Summary of Issues	URS Corporation (URS) designed Segment 2 of the SR4 (w) Gap Closure Project, provided engineering services on an “as needed” basis during construction, and is currently providing right-of-way engineering services for all three segments. This amendment extends the term of the agreement and provides funding for additional support services and revisions to right-of-way maps that were not anticipated in the original agreement and amendments thereto.
Recommendations	Staff recommends approval of the increase in total compensation of Agreement No. 118 by \$119,252 for a new total of \$636,352 and extension of the Agreement term to June 30, 2009.
Financial Implications	Sufficient funds are programmed in the <i>2005 Strategic Plan</i> , as amended.
Options	The Authority could elect not to approve the amendment. However, without additional funds, the Route 4 Gap Project right-of-way closeout activities will be delayed and difficult to complete.
Attachments (See APC Packet dated 6/5/08)	A. Amendment No. 8 to Agreement No. 118. B. Letter from URS Corporation dated May 7, 2008. C. Historical Summary of Amendments
Changes from Committee	<i>None</i>

Background

URS Corporation designed Segment 2 of the SR4 (w) Gap Closure Project and has been responsible for providing all right-of-way engineering and mapping services for all three segments. In September 1999, the Authority authorized the Chair to execute an “on-call” contract with URS to provide engineering services during construction for an initial amount not to exceed \$180,000.

In September 29, 2000, Amendment 1 to the agreement was approved to provide additional right of way support services for all three segments. In August 2001, Amendment 2 to the Agreement was approved to provide post construction survey and Record of Survey services. In February 2002, the CCTA and Tosco reached a settlement regarding the acquisition of Tosco’s property for the project and, in April 2002, Amendment 3 to the agreement was approved to complete incorporation of the Tosco right of way into the project and complete additional tasks associated with the Record of Survey and right-of-way closeout.

In April 2003, Amendment 4 to the agreement was approved to complete revisions to the Record of Survey mapping and transfer of property to the State. This included the transfer of right-of-way adjacent to the Hallissy property to the State rather than entering into a lease agreement with the East Bay Regional Park District. In addition, services were authorized related to the Asbury Graphite condemnation proceedings and the transfer of the Claeys Lane and Sycamore Avenue roadways to the City of Hercules.

In September 2004, Amendment 5 to the agreement was approved to provide additional support for the condemnation process and revisions to project mapping resulting from the construction of the Asbury Graphite wastewater system. The amendment also provided scope and budget for additional mapping and supporting documentation required for the County Surveyor's review of all new parcels created for the project, as required by the Subdivision Map Act.

In June 2006, Amendment 6 to the agreement was approved to continue finalizing right-of-way mapping based on County and Caltrans review comments, condemnation settlements and utility agreements. The amendment also provided scope and budget to research, document and clear easements to transfer property to the State, as well as to extend the term of the agreement through June 30, 2008.

In July 2007, Amendment 7 to the agreement was executed to provide additional right-of-way engineering support for the Asbury Graphite condemnation proceedings, respond to review comments on the draft Record of Survey Map, the Hard Copy Maps, and Record Maps. The amendment also included services to assist the County with identifying and clearing encumbrances included on the property Title Reports.

Since the last amendment, right of way closeout activities have continued, including the condemnation process for the Asbury Graphite property, assignment of rights for various utility easements, and Title Report reviews. The proposed Amendment No. 8 is necessary to continue providing support to the County and staff for these activities as well as the completion of the right-of-way Hard Copy Maps, Record Maps, Record of Survey, various utility agreements consistent with Caltrans standards, the County-to-State property transfer document, and legal descriptions, as needed, to support the County in the right-of-way closeout and transfer process.

The total estimated cost for Amendment No. 8 is \$119,252. A detailed description of the scope of services and cost estimate for the amendment is included in the letter from the URS Corporation dated May 7, 2008 attached hereto. Authority staff recently met with management staff from the URS Corporation to discuss the proposed Amendment No. 8. URS had continued to provide right-of-way engineering support services for County staff and Authority staff even though they had exceeded the contractual limit of reimbursement. Authority staff has not approved invoices beyond the current authorized contract amount. URS management staff offered to delete \$94,657 of charges to the project. Authority staff's assessment of the scope of services and cost estimate for the proposed Amendment No. 8 is reasonable and consistent with similar activities on other Authority projects. The proposed Amendment No. 8 accounts for the deletion of \$94,657 of charges to the project.

Therefore, staff recommends approval of the increase in total compensation of Agreement No. 118 by \$119,252 for a new total of \$636,352. Staff also recommends extension of the term of the Agreement to June 30, 2009.