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Pronesti Environmental, Inc. 6301 Angelo Ct, Suite 10 Loomis, CA 95650

Marina Landscape, Inc. 3707 W. Garden Grove Boulevard Orange, CA 92868

Subject: West Central Landfill Erosion Control Hydroseeding,

Contract No. 207519

On September 6, 2018 bids were opened for the West Central Landfill Erosion Control Hydroseeding project. The apparent low bidder was Pronesti Environmental, Inc. On September 10, 2018 a letter of bid protest was received from Marina Landscape, Inc., the second low bidder. The protest contended that the low bidder, who has only a Class A license, did not meet the requirements of the Contract Documents which specified that work must be done by a contractor possessing either a C-27 Landscaping or C-61/D59 Hydroseeding license or "other appropriate license classification, or combination of license classifications which constitutes a majority of the work." On September 12, 2018 a protest response was received from Pronesti Environmental, Inc. which asserted that their Class A license met the definition of "other appropriate license classification" as provided by the Contract Documents.

In pursuit of a resolution to this matter, the County consulted with the State of California's Department of Consumer Affairs Contractors State License Board (the "License Board"), which is responsible for overseeing the state's contractor licensing system. The License Board subsequently advised that the project's sole item of work, erosion control hydroseeding, by itself was not within the provisions of a Class A contractor's license, and that this type of work, when conducted separately from a larger scope of work befitting a Class A license, should be performed by a contractor possessing either a C-27 Landscaping or C-61/D59 Hydroseeding license.

Therefore, in accordance with the determination provided by the Contractors State License Board, the Department of Public Works will recommend to the Shasta County Board of Supervisors at their October 2, 2018 meeting that the low bid from Pronesti Environmental, Inc. be rejected based on failure to meet the correct licensing classification and, instead, the project be awarded to the second low bidder, Marina Landscape, Inc.

If you have any questions about this matter you may reach me at (530)245-6596 or via e-mail at jheath@co.shasta.ca.us.

Sincerely,

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