



City of Tacoma

Resolution No.:

Meeting Date: March 26, 2024

**Contract and Award Letter
Purchase Resolution —Exhibit "A"**

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards

FROM: Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services DS
GMS MPS

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City Council, City Manager, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and
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SUBJECT: Leach Creek Stormwater Holding Basin Modifications Rebid
Request for Bids Specification No. ES23-0281F, Contract No. CW2264255 –
March 26, 2024 City Council

DATE: February 27, 2024

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

The Environmental Services Department (ES) recommends a contract be awarded to Ecogrind Site Solutions LLC, Chewelah, WA, in the amount of \$2,181,500, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a projected contract amount of \$2,617,800, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from ES Stormwater Fund 4301, for modifications to the Leach Creek Stormwater Holding Basin. This project is funded in part by the Pierce County Flood Control Zone District.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

This work supports these priorities through the removal of accumulated sediments and overgrown vegetation, along with maintenance improvements at the holding basin’s outlet structure improving operational efficiency of the existing stormwater pump station. The overall result will be an improvement to human health and the natural environment by increasing capacity and reducing the risk of downstream flooding of Leach Creek.

BACKGROUND:

The Leach Creek Stormwater Holding Basin provides critical storage capacity that protects the downstream built and natural environments. The holding basin was constructed in 1960 and retains stormwater runoff from over 2,500 acres of residential and commercial development within the cities of Tacoma and Fircrest. Stormwater from this holding basin is conveyed through Leach Creek, Chambers Creek, and eventually into the Puget Sound. During periods of intense or prolonged rainfall, excessive stormwater levels within the holding basin are diverted to the Thea Foss Waterway via the Leach Creek pump station and the Nalley Valley stormwater force main. This diversion reduces the risk of localized flooding and erosion within Leach Creek and Chambers Creek.

ISSUE: Over the years, through the buildup of accumulated sediments and overgrown vegetation, the capacity and operational efficiency of this holding basin has been reduced. The purpose of the proposed project is to alleviate future destructive flooding events that could occur downstream of the holding basin in Leach Creek and Chambers Creek. In addition, this project will improve the operational efficiency of the stormwater pump station and address maintenance concerns at the outlet structure.



ALTERNATIVES: Taking no action could put the City in a position of accepting the risk of increased localized flooding to residents downstream of the Leach Creek Stormwater Holding Basin. Furthermore, neglecting to conduct the needed maintenance activities at the outfall could jeopardize the integrity of the existing inlets and outlet structures within the Leach Creek Stormwater Holding Basin.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

Request for Bids Specification No. ES23-0281F was opened February 6, 2024. One hundred fifteen companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Eight submittals were received. Ecogrind Site Solutions LLC, submitted a bid that resulted in the lowest evaluated submittal after consideration of Equity in Contracting (EIC) participation goals. The table below reflects the amount of the base award.

<u>Respondent</u>	<u>Location</u> <i>(city and state)</i>	<u>Submittal</u> <u>Amount</u>
Ecogrind Site Solutions LLC	Chewelah, WA	\$2,181,500
Active Construction Inc.	Tacoma, WA	\$2,191,191
Ceccanti, Inc.	Tacoma, WA	\$2,255,000
Scarsella Bros, Inc.	Seattle, WA	\$2,424,500
Quigg Bros. Inc.	Aberdeen, WA	\$2,635,500
Northwest Cascade, Inc	Puyallup, WA	\$2,854,350
Olson Brothers Excavating, Inc.	Puyallup, WA	\$3,161,404
Road Construction Northwest, Inc.	Renton, WA	\$3,448,100

Pre-bid Estimate: \$2,700,000 (not including sales tax)
The recommended award is approximately 19 percent below the pre-bid estimate.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New Contract

SUSTAINABILITY: This project will improve the operational efficiency of the existing holding basin and reduce future operational and maintenance costs associated with the Leach Creek Pump Station and the outlet structure.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: The recommended contractor is in compliance with the EIC requirements per memorandum dated February 9, 2024. The EIC requirements for this project are two percent for MBE, two percent for WBE, and eleven percent for SBE. The EIC utilization levels of the recommended contractor, Ecogrind Site Solutions, are 5.55 percent for MBE, 6.42 percent for WBE, and 11.96 percent for SBE.

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: The LEAP requirements for this project are 15 percent of the project labor hours must be worked by Local Employees and an additional 15 percent of the labor hours must be worked by Apprentices, per TMC 1.90.040.



FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4301 ES Stormwater Fund	ENV-03031-01-04	5330100	\$2,617,800
TOTAL			Up to \$2,617,800

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4301 ES Stormwater Fund	529700	6310010	(\$2,617,800)
TOTAL			Up to (\$2,617,800)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$ 2,617,800

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A