

**E.B. 11/18/15 Agenda Item C-2a**

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**DATE:** September 9, 2015  
**TO:** MERA Executive Board  
**FROM:** Dave Jeffries, Deputy Executive Officer for the Next Gen Project  
**SUBJECT:** AGENDA ITEM **B-3**: Report #6 on Next Gen Project Oversight Committee (NGPOC)

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Recommended Action: Receive and file Report on the Next Gen System Project

Background:

On July 8, 2015, the MERA Executive Board approved the recommendation of the NGPOC to authorize the MERA Operations Officer to begin negotiations with Federal Engineering. Those negotiations involved Craig Tackabery, Shelly Nelson, Richard Chuck and myself and have now been concluded.

As the result of those negotiations, a final contract and attachments were provided to the MERA Governing Board for their meeting of August 26. At that meeting, the contract, with one change, was approved by the MERA Governing Board to be forwarded to the Marin County Board of Supervisors. The single change was to incorporate a draft project timetable, developed by Federal Engineering, into the contract.

This matter is scheduled to be heard by the Board of Supervisors on September 15. Following that action, the County of Marin will issue a Notice to Proceed and work can begin.

Once the Notice to Proceed is issued, we will begin to work with Federal Engineering on a detailed project timeline and are examining having MERA staff re-starting a MERA newsletter for board and committee members, as well as the elected boards of MERA members to keep these interested parties informed and up to date.

The staff report from Mr. Tackabery and the added draft timeline are attached.

**(Note: For E.B. 11/18/15 meeting, these items are not attached...  
reference E.B. 9/9/15, Agenda Item B-3 on [www.meraonline.org](http://www.meraonline.org))**