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DATE: January 27, 2021
TO: MERA Governing Board
FROM: Dave Jeffries, Deputy Executive Officer for the Next Gen Project
SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM B-2: Proposed Cost-Sharing Agreement between MERA and AT&T for Trench at Next Gen Tomales Site

Recommended Action: Review, discuss and consider approval.

Background:

As part of the development process, MERA was approached by the Marin Agricultural Land Trust (MALT) to consider sharing a power trench with AT&T at the Tomales Site. This would eliminate the need for a full-length electrical trench for MERA. There would still be a need for a short trench to connect the AT&T trench to the MERA Site. This provides an environmental benefit as well as a cost savings for MERA.

We chose to approach AT&T about sharing their trench as they are scheduled to begin work before MERA.

Proposal:

AT&T's Contractor, JFC Construction, Inc has proposed charging MERA \$13,633 for materials and labor (See attached proposal) to provide conduit and pull boxes to support MERA's needs. When we develop the Tomales site, we will still need to run cable, but will not need to provide this long length of trench.

Cost Discussion:

AECOM has reviewed their construction estimates and the proposal and has estimated accepting the attached proposal will reduce MERA's construction costs by an estimated \$62,848 in direct costs and reduced contractor markup.

Funding will come from the Construction line item.

Environmental Impact:

This results in a minor change to our project description that reduces environmental impacts. If approved, an minor update to the SEIR will be prepared for the 02/24 Governing Board meeting.

Attachment:

B-2a – Proposal from JFC Construction, dated 01/07/21 for Job #CCU0273-Valley Ford