

# Staff Report

for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors, February 8, 2017

**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** Gary D. King, Engineering Manager  
Doug Roderick, Senior Engineer

**DATE:** February 1, 2017

**SUBJECT:** **Bear River Siphon Replacement Project – Approval of Construction Contract**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Award construction contract with Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. in the amount of \$6,198,000 and authorize the General Manager to execute the appropriate documents.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Bear River Siphon Replacement is part of the Combie Phase I Canal Replacement project. On August 19, 2016, a request for qualifications (RFQ) was posted to plan rooms and NID's website. The intent of the RFQ was to prequalify the contractors prior to bidding of the projects to ensure only contractors with the necessary experience/expertise be able to submit bids. On September 9, 2016, the District received nine (9) pre-qualification packages. On October 14, 2016, nine (9) prequalified contractors were approved.

On November 18, 2016 the District sent out quote documents to the nine (9) prequalified contractors. On January 19, 2017 the District received 5 bid packages. The results of the bids are shown in the table below.

| Quote                          | Cost         |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| T & S Construction Co., Inc.   | \$10,176,445 |
| Mountain Cascade, Inc.         | \$9,972,000  |
| Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. | \$6,198,000  |
| Syblon Reid                    | \$8,587,000  |
| Steve P. Rados, Inc.           | \$7,437,000  |
| Engineer's Estimate            | \$6,012,000  |

Construction of this project is difficult due to the location and terrain. The construction sequence and bypass layout/installation was part of what the contractors had to determine in bidding this project. Staff believes the potentially different means and methods that the contractors determined are reflected in the cost spread.

This project included local business preference with a goal of a minimum of 10% as a good faith effort. Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. achieved a local business participation goal of 13.8% or \$855,324.

After meeting with Kiewit representatives, staff is confident that Kiewit can construct the project as bid. Staff is recommending that the Board award the contract with Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. in the amount of \$6,198,000.

**BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

The budget for this project in 2017 is \$8,000,000.

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