

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE June 17, 2010

TO Trinity River Corridor Project Committee Members:

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SUBJECT **Independent External Peer Review Team**

On the June 23, 2010 Council Addendum, there will be three individual items to contract for services for an Independent External Peer Review (IEPR) team. This team is required, in accordance with the Water Resources Development Act of 2007, Section 2034 and 2035, to review projects during design and construction if that project is federally authorized, such as the Dallas Floodway Project. The US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has determined that the design and construction of the 100-Year Levee Improvements, Pavaho Pump Station, and Baker Pump Station require an independent external peer review. The team will serve as reviewers throughout the duration of design and construction, which is estimated to be three years.

The independent external peer review team is comprised of individuals with expertise in hydraulics and hydrology, geotechnical, civil and construction disciplines. Each team member has submitted the appropriate qualifications and the conflict disclosure forms in accordance with National Academy of Sciences' policy for committee selection with respect to evaluating the potential for conflicts. In addition, team members have been approved by the USACE.

This team will review scientific and technical matters related to the designs at 35% and 95% submittals and submit a report to the City of Dallas in accordance with USACE guidance. They will also deal with any issues that may arise during the construction phases to ensure that the completed projects function properly for their intended purpose. Each team member has participated in previous independent external peer reviews. This team also has experience with projects of similar size and similar time constraints.

The team members and their fees are as follows:

David Williams (Lead Team Member and Hydraulics/Hydrology) - \$226,900
George Sills (Geotechnical) - \$201,353
Arun Wagh (Construction) - \$114,400

Please contact me if you have questions.



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