



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 22.

DATE OF MEETING: December 14, 2009

REQUESTED BY: Michael Mack, Director, PCU

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Authorizing Approval Of The Letter of Conditions From The US Department Of Agriculture – Rural Development For Financing Construction Of the Pender County 2 MGD Water Treatment Plant And 24” Transmission Main On US 421.

BACKGROUND: In November of 2006, Pender County voters authorized a \$17.5 million bond referendum to construct a 2 MGD Water Treatment Plant on US 421.

On April 21, 2008 the County award an engineering services contract to Camp Dresser and McKee (CDM) for the design, permitting, and construction observation of the 2 MGD Water Treatment Plant. Working through the design phase, staff directed CDM to design the plant for the full treatment capacity of 6 million gallons per day and a 24” transmission main to eliminate the original concept to build the plant in 2 MGD increments up to 6 MGD and subsequent installation of a parallel transmission main.

Efforts began immediately to request concurrence with the USDA-RD that the best option for Pender County was to build the original plant for 6 MGD treatment capacity and upsize the 18” transmission main to the proper size (24”) to move the 6 million gallons per day across the County. The Preliminary Engineering Report based on the larger plant and transmission main estimated the cost of the project to increase from \$17.5 million to \$32.5 million. The additional cost to build the larger facility is now approved for funding by USDA-RD.

As part of the approval process, the USDA-RD requires the County to approve the attached Letter of Conditions and supporting documentation.

Staff recommends approval of this resolution.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: The Board of Commissioners is requested to approve the Letter of Conditions for the additional project funding as presented by the USDA-RD.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

JB
Initial

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that the attached Letter of Conditions and referenced supporting documentation are approved for the additional financing required to construct a 2 MGD Water Treatment Plant and 24" water transmission main on US 421 in Pender County.

The Chairman/County Manager is authorized to execute any document necessary to implement this resolution.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS

YEA VOTES: Tate ___ Brown ___ Blanchard ___ Rivenbark ___ Williams ___

Jimmy T. Tate, Chairman 12/14/09
DATE

ATTEST 12/14 /09
DATE