



**CALIFORNIA
ENERGY COMMISSION**



**California Energy Commission
December 11, 2024, Business Meeting
Backup Materials for Aspen Environmental Group**

The following backup materials for the above-referenced agenda item are available in this PDF packet as listed below:

1. Proposed Resolution
2. Contract Request Form
3. Scope of Work

[PROPOSED]

RESOLUTION NO: 24-1211-03i

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

RESOLUTION: Aspen Environmental Group

RESOLVED, that the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) adopts the staff CEQA findings contained in the Agreement or Amendment Request Form (as applicable); and

RESOLVED, that the CEC approves agreement Amendment 04 to Contract 700-22-004 with Aspen Environmental Group to augment the existing agreement by \$500,000 to support Assembly Bill 3 (Stats. 2023, ch. 314.) California Offshore Wind Advancement Act work. Additional funds will support preparation of a second-phase plan and strategy for a seaport readiness report, and a report on the feasibility of achieving 50% and 65% in-state assembly and manufacturing of offshore wind energy projects. These reports are due to the Governor and the Legislature by December 31, 2026, and December 31, 2027, respectively; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or their designee shall execute the same on behalf of the CEC.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on December 11, 2024.

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Dated:

Kristine Banaag
Secretariat



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CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM (CARF)

CEC-276 (Revised 01/2024)

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Original Agreement # 700-22-004 Amendment # 04

Division	Agreement Manager:	MS-	Phone
700 Siting Transmission Environmental	Sharon Purewal	16	916-897-3616

Contractor's Legal Name	Federal ID #
Aspen Environmental Group	95-4337914

Revisions: (check all that apply)	Additional Requirements
<input type="checkbox"/> Term Extension New End Date: / /	Include revised schedule and complete items A, B, C, D, & H below.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budget Augmentation Amendment Amount: \$ 500,000	Include revised budget and complete items A, B, C, D, E, F, & H below.
<input type="checkbox"/> Budget Reallocation	Include revised budget and complete items A, B, C, D, & H below.
<input type="checkbox"/> Scope of Work Revision	Include revised scope of work and complete items A, B, C, D, & H below.
<input type="checkbox"/> Change in Project Location or Demonstration Site	Include revised scope of work and complete items A, B, C, D, G, & H below.
<input type="checkbox"/> DVBE Replacement	Include revised scope of work and complete items A, B, C, D, F & H below.
<input type="checkbox"/> Novation/Name Change of Prime Recipient	Include novation documentation and complete items A, B, D, & H below.
<input type="checkbox"/> Terms and Conditions Modification	Include applicable exhibits with bold/underline/ strikeout and complete items A, B, C, D & H below.

A) Business Meeting Information**Business Meeting approval is not required for the following types of Agreements:**☐ Minor amendments delegated to Executive Director per December 2013 ResolutionProposed Business Meeting Date 12 / 11 / 2024 ☒ Consent ☐ Discussion

Business Meeting Presenter N/A Time Needed: N/A minutes

Please select one list serve. Select

Agenda Item Subject and Description:

- B)** Proposed resolution approving Amendment 04 to Contract 700-22-004 with Aspen Environmental Group to augment the existing agreement by \$500,000 to support Assembly Bill 3 (Stats. 2023, ch. 314.) California Offshore Wind Advancement Act work. Additional funds will support preparation of a second-phase plan and strategy for a seaport readiness report, and a report



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on the feasibility of achieving 50% and 65% in-state assembly and manufacturing of offshore wind energy projects. These reports are due to the Governor and the Legislature by December 31, 2026, and December 31, 2027, respectively. (ERPA Funding) Contact: Sharon Purewal

C) Amendment Justification (For contract amendments only)

- ☐ Non Competitive Bid (Attach DGS-GSPD-09-007) <https://www.dgs.ca.gov/PD/Forms>
☒ Exempt Select Exemption (see instructions)

D) List all subcontractors (major and minor) and equipment vendors: (attach additional sheets as necessary)

Legal Company Name:	Budget
See attached	\$ 0.00
	\$ 0.00
	\$ 0.00

E) List all key partners: (attach additional sheets as necessary)

Legal Company Name:
N/A

F) Budget Information (only include amendment amount information)

Funding Source	Funding Year of Appropriation	Budget List Number	Amount
State - ERPA	24/25	700.003	\$500.000
Funding Source			\$
Funding Source			\$
Funding Source			\$
Funding Source			\$

R&D Program Area: Select Program Area TOTAL: \$500,000

Explanation for "Other" selection General Fund

Reimbursement Contract #:

Federal Agreement #:

G) Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Program (DVBE)

- ☐ Exempt (Interagency/Other Government Entity)
- ☒ Meets DVBE Requirements DVBE Amount:\$_____ DVBE %:___3%___
 - ☐ Contractor is Certified DVBE
 - ☒ Contractor is Subcontracting with a DVBE: Blackhawk Environmental Inc.
- ☐ Contractor selected through CMAS or MSA with no DVBE participation
- ☐ Requesting DVBE Exemption (attach CEC 95)

H) California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Compliance

**CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM (CARF)**

- 1 Is Agreement considered a "Project" under CEQA?
☐ Yes (skip to question 2) ☐ No (complete the following (PRC 21065 and 14 CCR 15378)):

Explain why Agreement is not considered a "Project":

Agreement will not cause direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment because .

- 2 If Agreement is considered a "Project" under CEQA:
- c) ☐ Agreement **IS** exempt.
- ☐ Statutory Exemption. List PRC and/or CCR section number:
- ☐ Categorical Exemption. List CCR section number:
- ☐ Common Sense Exemption. 14 CCR 15061 (b) (3) Explain reason why Agreement is exempt under the above section:
- d) ☐ Agreement **IS NOT** exempt. (consult with the legal office to determine next steps)
- Check all that apply
- ☐ Initial Study
- ☐ Negative Declaration
- ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration
- ☐ Environmental Impact Report
- ☐ Statement of Overriding Considerations

I) Is this project considered "Infrastructure"?

Enter Yes or No

J) The following items should be attached to this CARF (as applicable)

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| 1. Exhibit A, Scope of Work | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> Attached |
| 2. Exhibit B, Budget Detail | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> Attached |
| 3. DGS-GSPD-09-007, NCB Request | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> Attached |
| 4. CEC 95. DVBE Exemption Request | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> Attached |
| 5. CEQA Documentation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> Attached |
| 6. Novation Documentation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> Attached |
| 7. CEC 105, Questionnaire for Identifying Conflicts | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attached |

Agreement Manager

Date

Office Manager

Date

Deputy Director

Date