



**CALIFORNIA  
ENERGY COMMISSION**



**California Energy Commission  
June 11, 2025 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 Amendment Request Form
3. Scope of Work

**[PROPOSED]**

**RESOLUTION NO: 25-0611-03g**

**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 amendment 3 to Contract 700-22-005 with Aspen Environmental Group to increase the agreement's budget by \$3,000,000 to support evaluation of applications under the Opt-In Certification Program; 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 June 11, 2025.

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Dated:

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Kim Todd  
Secretariat



STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM (CARF)**

CEC-276 (Revised 01/2024)

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Original Agreement # 700-22-005 Amendment # 3

Division	Agreement Manager:	MS-	Phone
700 Siting Transmission Environmental	Hilarie Anderson	16	916-661-8462

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: \$ 3,000,000	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 6 / 11 / 2025 ☒ Consent ☐ Discussion

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

Please select one list serve. Select

**Agenda Item Subject and Description:**

Proposed resolution approving Amendment 03 to Contract 700-22-005 with Aspen Environmental Group to increase the agreement's budget by \$3,000,000. This contract supports the evaluation of applications for the Opt-In Program. (EFLCF Funding) Contact: Hilarie Anderson



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**B) 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)

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

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

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

Legal Company Name:
N/A

**E) Budget Information (only include amendment amount information)**

Funding Source	Funding Year of Appropriation	Budget List Number	Amount
EFLCF	24/25	700.004	\$1,500,000
EFLCF	25/26	700.004	\$1,500,000
Funding Source			\$
Funding Source			\$
Funding Source			\$

R&amp;D Program Area: Select Program Area      TOTAL: \$3,000,000

Explanation for "Other" selection

Reimbursement Contract #:

Federal Agreement #:

**F) Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Program (DVBE)**

- ☐ Exempt (Interagency/Other Government Entity)
- ☒ Meets DVBE Requirements      DVBE Amount:\$ \_\_\_\_\_ DVBE %: \_\_6\_\_
  - ☐ Contractor is Certified DVBE
  - ☒ Contractor is Subcontracting with a DVBE: Blackhawk Environmental, Inc ; Energy Veterans, Inc.
- ☐ Contractor selected through CMAS or MSA with no DVBE participation
- ☐ Requesting DVBE Exemption (attach CEC 95)

**G) California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Compliance**

- 1 Is Agreement considered a "Project" under CEQA?

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☐ 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 the contract is for consultant services for technical studies and training and the outcome will be reports and transfer of knowledge. .

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

**H) Is this project considered "Infrastructure"?**

No

**I) 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 type="checkbox"/> N/A            | <input checked="" 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 |

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**Agreement Manager**

Kyle Emigh  
**Branch Manager**

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**Deputy Director**

5/1/25

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**Date**

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**Date**

**700-22-005**  
**STEP Opt-In**  
Subcontractor List

**Business Name**

- Applied EarthWorks, Inc.
- Arellano **Group &** Associates, LLC
- ASM Affiliates
- Big Language Solutions, LLC **dba ISI Translation Services**
- Black Eagle Consulting, Inc. **LLC**
- Blackhawk Environmental Inc.
- Blue Ridge Services **Montana**, Inc.
- ~~CommonLook~~
- Conservation Biology Institute, Inc.
- Creation-Z, Inc. ~~dba 3DSCAPE~~
- Board of Regents Nevada System of Higher Education, **dba** Desert Research Institute
- ~~Davey Resource Group, Inc.~~
- ~~Desotle Group Environmental Management LLC~~
- EDM Services, Inc.
- Energy Veterans, Inc. (DVBE)
- **Engeo Incorporated**
- Fehr and **&** Peers
- Guidehouse Inc.
- ~~Horizon Water and Environment, LLC~~ **Montrose Environmental Solutions, Inc.\***
- Hydrofocus, Inc.
- ~~ISI Translation Services~~
- Life Cycle Associates LLC
- Mead and Hunt, Inc.
- Michael Clayton & Associates, a Law Corporation
- NetCentric Technologies, **Inc.**
- **Numeric Solutions, LLC**
- Pacific Legacy, **Incorporated**
- ~~Peter Raimondi~~
- RCH Group, **Inc.**
- Ricondo & Associates, Inc.
- Risk Science Associates
- Rod Walker & Associates Consultancy, **Inc.**
- ~~Spectrus, Ltd.~~
- Tatsumi and **&** Partners, Inc.
- WestPeak Energy
- WJV Acoustics, Inc.

**\* Horizon Water was bought out by Montrose**