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Subject: RE: [ACTION required] Wildcat Canyon Road Slope Failure Repair- ACSTP 15J9 (161)

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Good morning Kimberly,

The submitted documents appear complete and consistent with the required procedures. Caltrans District 4 accepts the county's determination that the bidder E.E. Gilbert Construction, Inc. did not demonstrate adequate good faith efforts to meet the DBE participation for this contract.

You are reminded that your agency must invite this bidder for administrative reconsideration prior to award of contract (to actual successful bidder). See LAPM Chapter 9, 9.8.3 for additional detail.

Please contact me if you have additional questions.

Thank you,

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Hi Jimmy,

Construction bids for the above referenced project were opened on May 20, 2025.


The low bidder did not meet the DBE goal for the construction contract of 18%, proposing 1.11% DBE usage. The second and third bidder did meet the DBE goal proposing 18.75% and 19.42% DBE usage, respectively. The County has reviewed the Good Faith Effort documentation the low bidder provided and has determined they did not perform an adequate Good Faith Effort.

The three low bidders, in order, are: E.E. Gilbert Construction, Inc.; Gordon N. Ball, Inc.; and Minerva Construction, Inc.

This project is scheduled to be awarded at the June 10, 2025, County Board of Supervisors meeting.

In the hyper link below we are including:

1. Bid package of the lowest 3 bidders.
2. A bid Abstract/Bid Tabulation Summary Sheet.
3. Exhibit 15-G: Construction Contract DBE Commitment for the lowest 3 bidders.
4. Exhibit 15-H: Bidder Good Faith Efforts and supporting documentation for the low bidder, E.E. Gilbert Construction.
5. Evaluation of Good Faith Effort for E.E. Gilbert Construction.

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Best Regards,

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