



## Legislation Text

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Warren Lai, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer

**Report Title:** APPROVE and AUTHORIZE Execution of a Contract Amendment for On-Call Grazing Services with Terri Oyarzun (dba Goats R Us).

Recommendation of the County Administrator  Recommendation of Board Committee

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### RECOMMENDATIONS:

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Public Works Director, or designee, to execute a contract amendment with Terri Oyarzun (dba Goats R Us), effective July 9, 2024, to increase the payment limit by \$500,000 to a new payment limit of \$1,200,000 and extend the term through September 13, 2026, to provide on-call grazing services for vegetation management.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

100% Local Road and Flood Control District Funds. Project No.: Various

### BACKGROUND:

The Contra Costa County Public Works Department (Department) is involved in the planning, design, construction, and maintenance of a variety of Department and Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (Flood Control District) projects and facilities. Community interest and increased regulatory requirements are encouraging the Department and Flood Control District to reduce pesticide use. The Department and the Flood Control District are using fire reduction, habitat management, and flood flow capacity goals. Therefore, assistance from specially-trained contractors is necessary for routine management of vegetation along road rights-of-way and Flood Control District facilities.

This on-call contract became effective on September 14, 2021, and will expire on September 13, 2024. It currently has a payment limit of \$700,000. To retain the services of and enable timely payment to Goats R Us, the Public Works Director recommends that the Board approve the contract amendment for the County. The contract amendment will increase the payment of the contract from \$700,000 to \$1,200,000 and extend the term through September 13, 2026.

This contract includes services provided by represented classifications, and the County has met its obligations with the respective labor partner(s).

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Failure to approve the contract amendment will prevent the Department and the Flood Control District from executing routine vegetation management tasks for roads and flood control, particularly in areas where such services are deemed necessary.

