STUDY SESSION MINUTES
April 13, 2009

THOSE PRESENT:
Alan Crankovich, Mark McClain, Paul Jewell, BOCC) Kirk Holmes, Kelly Carlson, Doug D'Hondt, Jan Ollivier, Maria Fischer (DPW) Dan Davis, Mandle Weed (CDS) Neil Caulkins, Greg Zempel (PROS)

GUESTS PRESENT:
Chad Bala, Lindsey Ozbolt, Mark Kirkpatrick, Gus Garcia, Wayne Nelson

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL -CHRISTINA WOLLMAN:
An out-of-State travel request for Christina Wollman to attend PTV Vissum training in Portland, OR was presented to the BOCC for approval.

Board Direction: Approved.

RED BRIDGE ROAD
GUS GARCIA (HDR):
Gus Garcia of HDR Engineering stated that his firm is doing an analysis of the problems on the Red Bridge Road slopes and flood plain. He related the work they have done so far, including holding an open house for area residents. Projects will be proposed to alleviate run-off problems. Director Holmes added that FEMA money will pay for the initial projects this summer. He related additional problems with drainage in the Red Bridge Road area.

Board Direction: No direction.

ARRA PROJECT PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FUNDS:
Jan Ollivier stated that these funds can only be used for construction, not engineering or planning, leaving the Yakima River Canyon Center Phase 1 project without needed funding. Doug D'Hondt added that ARRA funds cannot be used for work on minor collectors, leaving the Thorp Prairie Road project unfunded. There is a short window in which to use the ARRA funds.

Board Direction: No direction.

GMA COMPLIANCE:
Director Holmes noted that there are some concerns with some of the RFQ’s received by PW and their mention of

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the use of land use attorneys. He asked if all RFQ’s received should be rejected and advertisements sent out again. PW does have adequate submittals to accept a firm to help with the planning effort. Neil Caulkins mentioned that all the submittals contain language regarding land use attorneys to help the County with the GMA Compliance issues, and that is not the County’s desire. It needs to be made clear to the firms that legal representation is not needed; a scope of work needs to be laid out.

**Board Direction**

The BOCC desires to be involved in the decision of choosing a firm from the submittals to perform this work.

**MARION MEADOWS**

**CONTRACT AMENDMENT EXTENSION:**

Director Holmes stated that an amendment is needed to extend the current EIS Contract agreement with Cascade Land Co. from 2008 to 2009. Neil Caulkins stated that this is something Holmes can do himself.

**Board Direction**

Authorize Director Holmes to extend the date on the amended agreement.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm

Kirk Holmes
Public Works Director