

# Agenda

## County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

Board of Supervisors Room  
County Administrative Center  
224 North Edwards  
Independence, California

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**Note:** Historically the Board does break for lunch, the timing of a lunch break is made at the discretion of the Chairperson and at the Board's convenience.

### ADDENDUM

to

*Inyo County Board of Supervisors  
Regular Meeting  
9:15 a.m.  
December 12, 2017*

### ADDITIONS

- 7A. **SUPERVISOR DAN TOTEROH/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/WATER DEPARTMENT/COUNTY COUNSEL** – Request Board: A) receive briefing regarding the meeting of the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority (OVGA) held on October 26, 2017; and B) authorize the County's OVGA Director represent the County's annual funding commitment the OVGA's three-year Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development Budget (GSPDB) to the OVGA Board of Directors pursuant to Article IV of the joint powers agreement, up to an amount not to exceed 50% of the annual GSPDB (\$124,596) contingent upon all Members of the OVGA making their respective commitments on or before December 31, 2017.
- 7B. **SHERIFF/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Emergency Services** – Request Board: A) declare Nielson Equipment Maintenance of Mammoth Lakes, CA a sole-source provider of specialized microwave radio communication equipment; B) ratify and approve the purchase of specialized microwave radio communication equipment and authorize the payment to Nielson Equipment Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$15,558.25; and C) approve an additional payment to Nielson Equipment Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$4,500 for the installation of the specialized microwave radio communication equipment, after the installation has occurred.



**AGENDA REQUEST FORM**  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF INYO

For Clerk's Use Only:  
AGENDA NUMBER  
7A

- Consent     Departmental     Correspondence Action     Public Hearing  
 Scheduled Time for     Closed Session     Informational

**FROM:** Supervisor Dan Totheroh/County Administrator/Water Department/County Counsel

**FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF:** December 12, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Owens Valley Groundwater Authority

**DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends your Board:

1. Receive briefing regarding the meeting of the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority (OVGA) held on October 26, 2017;
2. Authorize the County's OVGA Director to represent the County's annual funding commitment the OVGA's three-year Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development Budget (GSPDB) to the OVGA Board of Directors pursuant to Article IV of the joint powers agreement, up to an amount not to exceed 50% of the annual GSPDB (\$124,596) contingent upon all Members of the OVGA making their respective commitments on or before December 31, 2017.

**SUMMARY DISCUSSION:**

The OVGA conducted its second meeting on October 26, 2017. At that meeting the OVGA Board unanimously approved the Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development Budget (GSPDB) and directed that Member funding contributions be agendized for its November 9, 2017, meeting.

Given that the majority of the Owens Valley Groundwater Basin lies within Inyo County and that Inyo County has the unique capacity to potentially manage and implement the core OVGA policy decisions, staff recommends your Board authorize Inyo County to commit to fund \$22,654 for the GSPDB, and to increase the County's funding commitment, as necessary to ensure the GSPDB is fully funded, up to at least the same level of the next highest Member contribution, in amount not to exceed \$124,596. The GSPDB estimates that sharing the costs equally among the eleven OVGA members would entail an annual commitment of \$22,654 from each member for the three-year plan preparation phase. The first figure (\$22,654) is based on Inyo County funding its share of the budget at the same level as the 10 other members.

To help ensure the OVGA adheres to the requirement in Article IV Section 1.1 that the JPA does not delay this matter and "substantially impair the ability of the Authority to fulfill its purpose," staff recommends that this authorization be contingent upon (1) all Members making their respective funding commitments on or before December 31, 2017, and (2) the County not funding more than 50% of the GSPDB.

**ALTERNATIVES:**



Your Board could choose to set a lower funding amount which is not recommended since it would diminish the County's share of available votes.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

Big Pine CSD, City of Bishop, County of Inyo, County of Mono, Eastern Sierra CSD, Indian Creek-Westridge CSD, Keeler CSD, Sierra Highlands CSD, Starlite CSD, Tri Valley Groundwater Management District, Wheeler Crest CSD

**FINANCING:**

Once each member makes its funding commitment known, and the GSPDB is fully funded, each member, including the County of Inyo will be asked to make a legally binding commitment for its funding share through the adoption of a formal agreement for its contribution of funding toward the GSP Development Budget. At this time, the County will need to identify the source of funding for its funding commitment, and your Board will need to make the requisite amendments to the County Budget. At this time, it is anticipated that staff will recommend funding the County's GSPDB funding commitment through Inyo County Water Fund, and/or other categorical or discretionary funding sources, or some combination thereof.

| <b><u>APPROVALS</u></b> |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| COUNTY COUNSEL:         | AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTS AND ORDINANCES AND CLOSED SESSION AND RELATED ITEMS <i>(Must be reviewed and approved by county counsel prior to submission to the board clerk.)</i><br>Approved:  Date <u>12/08/17</u> |
| AUDITOR/CONTROLLER:     | ACCOUNTING/FINANCE AND RELATED ITEMS <i>(Must be reviewed and approved by the auditor-controller prior to submission to the board clerk.)</i><br><br>Approved: <u>Yes</u> Date <u>12/8/17</u>                  |

**DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE:**  Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Not to be signed until all approvals are received)

**DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE:**  Date: 12.8.17  
 (Not to be signed until all approvals are received)

**DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE:**  Date: 12-08-2017  
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**FROM:** Sheriff's Office/County Administrator- Emergency Services

**FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF:** December 12, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Nielsen Equipment Maintenance Sole Source Justification and Ratification of the Purchase of Equipment

**DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION**

Request your Board :

- A) Declare Nielson Equipment Maintenance of Mammoth Lakes, California, a Sole Source provider of specialized microwave radio communication equipment; and,
- B) Ratify and approve the purchase of specialized microwave radio communication equipment and authorize the payment to Nielson Equipment Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$15,558.25; and
- C) Approve an additional payment to Nielson Equipment Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$4,500 for the installation of the specialized microwave radio communication equipment, after the installation has occurred.

**SUMMARY DISCUSSION**

Recently the Sheriff's office has been experiencing increased difficulties communicating with its deputies that are stationed in the Southeast portion of Inyo County. The communication difficulties are in addition to those that also include the Emergency Medical Service and Fire Protection Service providers that also respond in this isolated area. These communication problems are attributed to the inability to have a reliable radio signal that can reach the Rogers Peak radio repeater site. Upon receiving information that the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) has a microwave link (much like a telephone line) directly from the Cal Trans yard in Independence to the Rogers Peak repeater site, the Sheriff's Office staff reached out to CalOES to determine if it was feasible for Inyo County to enter into an agreement with CalOES for a link to their microwave service. CalOES has agreed and is currently preparing a contract agreement to provide Inyo County with a microwave link. This CalOES contract agreement will be coming to your Board soon for consideration.

For the microwave link to become fully operational, once the CalOES agreement has been finalized, it is necessary to order and have on hand, specialized equipment to connect the Sheriff's Office to the CalOES microwave site located in the Cal Trans yard in Independence. With the equipment readily available there will be no delay in installation and the County will then have immediate, much more reliable, communication service with our deputies and emergency responders in the Southeastern portion of Inyo County.

Nielson Equipment Maintenance is Inyo County's current radio/repeater repair contractor for the County's repeater sites that are located throughout the Owens Valley. Nielson can provide the service and equipment that will meet the Sheriff's Office specialized needs for this microwave link project. This determination justifies our request to declare Nielson Equipment Maintenance a sole source provider for the microwave link specialized equipment and installation.

**ALTERNATIVES**

Your Board could choose not to approve the purchase of this microwave link equipment, but this would not be in the best interest of the County. Reliable communication is vital when it comes to emergency services. The dependable

structure of the microwave link will assist in a more reliable communication system that will assist with a more immediate response by the emergency responders located in the Southeastern portion of Inyo County.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT**

California Office of Emergency Services, Cal Trans, Inyo County Sheriff's Office, Inyo County Office of Emergency Services, Emergency Service Providers, Fire Protection Services and first responders.

**FINANCING**

There are funds available and identified in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Board approved Budget to cover these expenditures under Budget #023700 – Disaster Services, Object Code #5265 – Professional Services.

| <b>APPROVALS</b>                      |  |
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| AUDITOR/CONTROLLER:                   | ACCOUNTING/FINANCE AND RELATED ITEMS (Must be reviewed and approved by the auditor-controller prior to submission to the board clerk.)<br><br><br>Approved: <u>yes</u> Date <u>12-8-17</u> |
| PERSONNEL DIRECTOR:<br><br><i>n/a</i> | PERSONNEL AND RELATED ITEMS (Must be reviewed and approved by the director of personnel services prior to submission to the board clerk.)<br><br>Approved: _____ Date _____  |

**DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE:**  Date: 12/8/17  
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NIELSENS EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE

**Invoice**

P.O. BOX 8615  
 MAMMOTH LAKES, CA.  
 93546

DATE 10/19/2017  
 INVOICE # 5104

**BILL TO**  
 INYO COUNTY  
 BOX 477  
 INDEPENDENCE, CA. 93526  
 SHERIFFS DEPT.

P.O. NO.                      TERMS                      PROJECT

| QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION                | RATE     | AMOUNT   |
|----------|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| 2        | TKR850 UHF RADIOS          | 1,650.00 | 3,300.00 |
| 1        | UHF YAGI ANTENNA AND CABLE | 450.00   | 450.00   |
| 2        | DURACOM POWER SUPPLIES     | 325.00   | 650.00   |
| 1        | 600 Ohm INTERFACE          | 350.00   | 350.00   |
| 1        | NXR710 BASE RADIO          | 2,150.00 | 2,150.00 |
| 1        | 110 WATT AMPLIFER          | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| 1        | TONE TERMINATION PANEL     | 925.00   | 925.00   |
| 5        | RG 142 INTERFACE CABLES    | 45.00    | 225.00   |
| 1        | MOUNTING HARDWARE          | 500.00   | 500.00   |
| 1        | DC BACKUP SUPPLY           | 295.00   | 295.00   |
| 1        | GELL BATTERY               | 310.00   | 310.00   |
|          | Sales Tax                  | 7.75%    | 903.26   |

**Total**                      \$12,558.26