



Board of Directors Agenda Report

MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 27, 2020 ITEM NUMBER: 9C

SUBJECT: Consideration of and Vote on Whether or Not to Direct Staff to Contact Orange County Construction and Project Management Firms to Apply for Approval through the California Department of General Services (DGS)

DATE: February 21, 2020

FROM: Director Doug La Belle

PRESENTATION BY: Director Doug La Belle

RECOMMENDATION

At the Board of Directors' discretion.

BACKGROUND

Food & Agriculture Code Section 4051, subdivision (a)(1)(c), provides, in part, that District Agricultural Associations, including the 32nd DAA, are subject to all applicable provisions of the Public Contract Code. The California State Contract Act (Public Contract Code, Sections 10100, et. seq.) provides that DGS has authority over state construction projects conducted on state property managed by the District Agricultural Associations, including overseeing project management of construction projects that exceed \$250,000 (adjusted for inflation). (Cal. Pub. Contract Code § 10105(a)(6)).

While DGS may elect to delegate that authority to the 32nd DAA, the selection of a private-company as project manager on any state construction project would need to be authorized by DGS.

The Board will consider whether or not to give staff direction to contact Orange County construction and project management firms, as well as others in the area, to encourage them to apply for approval through DGS.

Various capital projects are pending and others will be identified upon completion of the infrastructure audit. To move forward in a timely manner, it will be helpful to have a number of DGS-approved firms with project management and cost estimating experience to work with staff to complete projects in an expedited fashion.