

**Midway Heights County Water District
Water Cost of Service & Rate Study**

Addendum No. 1

Issued June 8, 2026

Notice to all Interested Proposers:

Addendum No. 1 includes the following:

1. For the meetings onsite/in-person attendance by the consultant at the following meetings is required:
 - a. Customer Workshop
 - b. Public Workshop pre-Prop 218 Public Meeting
 - c. Prop 218 Public Meeting

Other meetings listed in the RFP can be online or in-person per the consultant's preference.

2. A copy of the District's Professional Services Agreement is attached for your review.
3. The Proposition 218 Notice is not required to be translated into additional language(s).

Attachments:

Attachment A - 2026 District Professional Services Agreement (For Consultant Review and Comments)

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Attachment A

2026 District Professional Services Agreement (For Consultant Review and Comments)

**Midway Heights County Water District
Services Agreement**

This Agreement is entered into as of the date last signed and dated below by and between Midway Heights County Water District, a local government agency (“District”), and _____, a California corporation (“Consultant), who agree as follows:

1 Scope of Work

Consultant shall perform the work and render the services described in the attached Exhibit A (the “Work”). Consultant shall provide all labor, services, equipment, tools, material and supplies required or necessary to properly, competently and completely perform the Work. Consultant shall determine the method, details and means of doing the Work.

2 Payment

2.1 District shall pay to Consultant a fee based on:

Consultant’s time and expenses necessarily and actually expended or incurred on the Work with total not to exceed amount in accordance with Consultant’s fee schedule on the attached Exhibit A.

Lump sum with a total not to exceed amount based on Exhibit A.

There shall be no compensation for extra or additional work or services by Consultant unless approved in advance in writing by District. Consultant’s fee shall include Consultant’s direct costs and expenses related to the Work, including telephone, postage, materials, blueprints, and copies, and shall be included in the time and expense amount approved included in Exhibit A.

2.2 At the end of each month, Consultant shall submit to District an invoice for the Work performed during the preceding month. The invoice shall include a brief description of the Work performed, the dates of Work, number of hours worked and by whom (if payment is based on time), payment due, and an itemization of any costs and expenses related to the Work. If the Work is satisfactorily completed and the invoice is accurately computed, District shall pay the invoice within 30 days of its receipt.

3 Term

3.1 This Agreement shall take effect on the above date and continue in effect until terminated as provided below. Time is of the essence in this Agreement. Consultant will perform the Work diligently and as expeditiously as possible, consistent with the professional skill and care appropriate for the orderly progress of the Work.

3.2 This Agreement may be terminated at any time by District upon written notice to Consultant, or by Consultant upon 60 days written notice to District. In the event of such termination, Consultant shall be fairly compensated for all work performed to the date of termination as calculated by District based on the above fee and payment provisions. Compensation under this section shall not include any termination-related expenses, cancellation or demobilization charges, or lost profit associated with the expected completion

of the Work or other such similar payments relating to Consultant's claimed benefit of the bargain.

4 Professional Ability of Consultant

4.1 Consultant represents that it is specially trained and experienced, and possesses the skill, ability, knowledge and certification, to competently perform the Work provided by this Agreement. District has relied upon Consultant's training, experience, skill, ability, knowledge and certification as a material inducement to enter into this Agreement. All Work performed by Consultant shall be in accordance with applicable legal requirements and meet the standard of care and quality ordinarily to be expected of competent professionals in Consultant's field.

4.2 The following individuals are designated as key personnel and are considered to be essential to the successful performance of the work hereunder: ***[Describe Consultant's key personnel by name or by reference, e.g. the individuals whose resumes are included in Exhibit A.]*** Consultant agrees that these individuals may not be removed from the Work or replaced without compliance with the following sections:

4.2.1 If one or more of the key personnel, for whatever reason, becomes, or is expected to become, unavailable for work under this contract for a continuous period exceeding 30 work days, or is expected to devote substantially less effort to the work than indicated in the proposal or initially anticipated, Consultant shall immediately notify District and shall, subject to District's concurrence, promptly replace the personnel with personnel of at least substantially equal ability and qualifications.

4.2.2 Each request for approval of substitutions must be in writing and contain a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed substitutions. The request must also contain a complete resume for the proposed substitute and other information requested or needed by District to evaluate the proposed substitution. District shall evaluate Consultant's request and District shall promptly notify Consultant of its decision in writing.

5 Conflict of Interest

Consultant (including principals, associates and professional employees) represents and acknowledges that (a) it does not now have and shall not acquire any direct or indirect investment, interest in real property or source of income that would be affected in any manner or degree by the performance of Consultant's services under this agreement, and (b) no person having any such interest shall perform any portion of the Work. The parties agree that Consultant is not a designated employee within the meaning of the Political Reform Act and District's conflict of interest code because Consultant will perform the Work independent of the control and direction of the District or of any District official, other than normal contract monitoring, and Consultant possesses no authority with respect to any District decision beyond the rendition of information, advice, recommendation or counsel.

6 Consultant Records

6.1 Consultant shall keep and maintain all ledgers, books of account, invoices, vouchers, canceled checks, and other records and documents evidencing or relating to the

Work and invoice preparation and support for a minimum period of three years (or for any longer period required by law) from the date of final payment to Consultant under this Agreement. District may inspect and audit such books and records, including source documents, to verify all charges, payments and reimbursable costs under this Agreement.

6.2 In accordance with California Government Code section 8546.7, the parties acknowledge that this Agreement, and performance and payments under it, are subject to examination and audit by the California State Auditor for three years following final payment under the Agreement.

7 Ownership of Documents

All works of authorship and every report, study, spreadsheet, worksheet, plan, design, blueprint, specification, drawing, map, photograph, computer model, computer disk, magnetic tape, CAD data file, computer software and any other document or thing prepared, developed or created by Consultant under this Agreement and provided to District (“Work Product”) shall be the property of District, and District shall have the rights to use, modify, reuse, reproduce, publish, display, broadcast and distribute the Work Product and to prepare derivative and additional documents or works based on the Work Product without further compensation to Consultant or any other party. Consultant may retain a copy of any Work Product and use, reproduce, publish, display, broadcast and distribute any Work Product and prepare derivative and additional documents or works based on any Work Product; provided, however, that Consultant shall not provide any Work Product to any third party without District’s prior written approval, unless compelled to do so by legal process. If any Work Product is copyrightable, Consultant may copyright the same, except that, as to any Work Product that is copyrighted by Consultant, District reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to use, reuse, reproduce, publish, display, broadcast and distribute the Work Product and to prepare derivative and additional documents or works based on the Work Product. If District reuses or modifies any Work Product for a use or purpose other than that intended by the scope of work under this Agreement, then District shall hold Consultant harmless against all claims, damages, losses and expenses arising from such reuse or modification. For any Work Product provided to District in paper format, upon request by District at any time (including, but not limited to, at termination of this Agreement), Consultant agrees to provide the Work Product to District in a readable, transferable and usable electronic format generally acknowledged as being an industry-standard format for information exchange between computers (e.g., Word file, Excel spreadsheet file, AutoCAD file).

8 Confidentiality of Information

8.1 Consultant shall keep in strict confidence all confidential, privileged, trade secret, and proprietary information, data and other materials in any format generated, used or obtained by the District or created by Consultant in connection with the performance of the Work under this Agreement (the “Confidential Material”). Consultant shall not use any Confidential Material for any purpose other than the performance of the Work under this Agreement, unless otherwise authorized in writing by District. Consultant also shall not disclose any Confidential Material to any person or entity not connected with the performance of the Work under this Agreement, unless otherwise authorized in advance in writing by District. If there is a question if Confidential Material is protected from disclosure

or is a public record or in the public domain, the party considering disclosure of such materials shall consult with the other party concerning the proposed disclosure.

8.2 Consultant, and its officers, employees, agents, and sub-consultants, shall at all times take all steps that are necessary to protect and preserve all Confidential Material. At no time shall Consultant, or its officers, employees, agents, or subconsultants in any manner, either directly or indirectly, use for personal benefit or divulge, disclose, or communicate in any manner, any Confidential Material to any person or entity unless specifically authorized in writing by the District or by order of a court or regulatory entity with jurisdiction over the matter. Consultant, and its officers, employees, agents, and sub-consultants shall protect the Confidential Material and treat it as strictly confidential in accordance with applicable law, District policies and directives, and best industry security practices and standards.

8.3 If any person or entity, other than District or Consultant, requests or demands, by subpoena, discovery request, California Public Records Act request or otherwise, Confidential Material or its contents, the party to whom the request is made will immediately notify the other party, so that the parties may collectively consider appropriate steps to protect the disclosure of those materials. The parties agree to take all steps reasonably necessary to preserve the confidential and privileged nature of the Confidential Material and its content. In the event that the parties cannot agree whether to oppose or comply with a disclosure demand, the opposing party may oppose the demand at its sole cost and expense, in which event the party favoring disclosure will refrain from disclosing the demanded Confidential Material until such time as a final agreement regarding disclosure is reached or, if an agreement is not reached, a judicial determination is made concerning the demand.

8.4 Unless otherwise directed in writing by the District, upon contract completion or termination, Consultant must destroy all Confidential Materials (written, printed and/or electronic) and shall provide a written statement to the District that such materials have been destroyed.

9 Compliance with Laws

9.1 General. Consultant shall perform the Work in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Consultant shall possess, maintain and comply with all federal, state and local permits, licenses and certificates that may be required for it to perform the Work. Consultant shall comply with all federal, state and local air pollution control laws and regulations applicable to the Consultant and its Work (as required by California Code of Regulations title 13, section 2022.1). Consultant shall be responsible for the safety of its workers and Consultant shall comply with applicable federal and state worker safety-related laws and regulations.

9.2 California Labor Code Compliance for Pre- and Post-Construction Related Work and Maintenance.

9.2.1 This section 9.2 applies if the Work includes either of the following:

9.2.1.1 Labor performed during the design, site assessment, feasibility study and pre-construction phases of construction, including, but not limited to, inspection and land surveying work, and labor performed during the post-construction phases of

construction, including, but not limited to, cleanup work at the jobsite. (See California Labor Code section 1720(a).) If the Work includes some labor as described in the preceding sentence and other labor that is not, then this section 9.2 applies only to workers performing the pre-construction and post-construction work.

9.2.1.2 “Maintenance” work, which means (i) routine, recurring and usual work for the preservation, protection and keeping of any District facility, plant, building, structure, utility system or other property (“District Facility”) in a safe and continually usable condition, (ii) carpentry, electrical, plumbing, glazing, touchup painting, and other craft work designed to preserve any District Facility in a safe, efficient and continuously usable condition, including repairs, cleaning and other operations on District machinery and equipment, and (iii) landscape maintenance. “Maintenance” excludes (i) janitorial or custodial services of a routine, recurring or usual nature, and (ii) security, guard or other protection-related services. (See California Labor Code section 1771 and 8 California Code of Regulations section 16000.) If the Work includes some “maintenance” work and other work that is not “maintenance,” then this section 9.2 applies only to workers performing the “maintenance” work.

9.2.2 Consultant shall comply with the California Labor Code provisions concerning payment of prevailing wage rates, penalties, employment of apprentices, hours of work and overtime, keeping and retention of payroll records, and other requirements applicable to public works as may be required by the Labor Code and applicable state regulations. (See California Labor Code division 2, part 7, chapter 1 (sections 1720-1861), which is incorporated in this Agreement by this reference.) The state-approved prevailing rates of per diem wages are available at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/oprl/DPreWageDetermination.htm>. Consultant also shall comply with Labor Code sections 1775 and 1813, including provisions that require Consultant to (a) forfeit as a penalty to District up to \$200 for each calendar day or portion thereof for each worker (whether employed by Consultant or any subconsultant) paid less than the applicable prevailing wage rates for any labor done under this Agreement in violation of the Labor Code, (b) pay to each worker the difference between the prevailing wage rate and the amount paid to each worker for each calendar day or portion thereof for which the worker was paid less than the prevailing wage, and (c) forfeit as a penalty to District the sum of \$25 for each worker (whether employed by Consultant or any subconsultant) for each calendar day during which the worker is required or permitted to work more than 8 hours in any one day and 40 hours in any one calendar week in violation of Labor Code sections 1810 through 1815.

9.2.3 If the Work includes labor during pre- or post-construction phases as defined in section 9.2.1.1 above and the amount of the fee payable to Consultant under section 2 of this Agreement exceeds \$25,000, Consultant must be registered and qualified to perform public work with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant section 1725.5 of the Labor Code.

Consultant’s Public Works Consultant Registration Number: _____

d. Intentionally omitted.

10 Indemnification.

10.1 Consultant shall indemnify, defend, protect, and hold harmless District, and its officers, employees and agents (“Indemnitees”) from and against any claims, liability, losses, damages and expenses (including attorney, expert witness and Consultant fees, and litigation costs) (collectively a “Claim”) that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of Consultant or its employees, agents or sub-consultants. The duty to indemnify, including the duty and the cost to defend, is limited as provided in this section. However, this indemnity provision will not apply to any Claim arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of District or its employees or agents. Consultant’s obligations under this indemnification provision shall survive the termination of, or completion of Work under, this Agreement.

10.2 This section 10.2 applies if the Consultant is a “design professional” as that term is defined in Civil Code section 2782.8. If a court or arbitrator determines that the incident or occurrence that gave rise to the Claim was partially caused by the fault of an Indemnitee, then in no event shall Consultant’s total costs incurred pursuant to its duty to defend Indemnitees exceed Consultant’s proportionate percentage of fault as determined by a final judgment of a court or final decision of arbitrator.

11 Insurance

Types & Limits. Consultant at its sole cost and expense shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Agreement the following types and limits of insurance:

<i>Type</i>	<i>Limits</i>	<i>Scope</i>
Commercial general liability	\$2,000,000 per occurrence & \$4,000,000 aggregate	at least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) Commercial General Liability Coverage (Occurrence Form CG 00 01) including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury, personal and advertising injury
Automobile liability	\$1,000,000 per accident	at least as broad as ISO Business Auto Coverage (Form CA 00 01)
Workers’ compensation	Statutory limits	
Employers’ liability	\$1,000,000 per accident	
Professional liability*	\$1,000,000 per claim, with deductible or self-insured portion not to exceed \$5,000.	

*Required only if Consultant is a licensed engineer, land surveyor, geologist, architect, doctor, attorney or accountant.

11.1 **Other Requirements.** The general and automobile liability policy(ies) shall be endorsed to name District, its officers, employees, volunteers and agents as additional insureds regarding liability arising out of the Work. Consultant's coverage shall be primary and apply separately to each insurer against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability. District's insurance or self-insurance, if any, shall be excess and shall not contribute with Consultant's insurance. Each insurance policy shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be canceled, except after 30 days (10 days for non-payment of premium) prior written notice to District. Insurance is to be placed with admitted insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of A:VII or better unless otherwise acceptable to District. Workers' compensation insurance issued by the State Compensation Insurance Fund is acceptable. Consultant agrees to waive subrogation that any insurer may acquire from Consultant by virtue of the payment of any loss relating to the Work. Consultant agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to implement this subrogation waiver. The workers' compensation policy must be endorsed to contain a subrogation waiver in favor of District for the Work performed by Consultant.

11.2 **Proof of Insurance.** Upon request, Consultant shall provide to District the following proof of insurance: (a) certificate(s) of insurance evidencing this insurance; and (b) endorsement(s) on ISO Form CG 2010 (or insurer's equivalent), signed by a person authorized to bind coverage on behalf of the insurer(s), and certifying the additional insured coverage.

12 **General Provisions**

12.1 **Entire Agreement; Amendment.** The parties intend this writing to be the sole, final, complete, exclusive and integrated expression and statement of the terms of their contract concerning the Work. This Agreement supersedes all prior oral or written negotiations, representations, contracts or other documents between the parties that may be related to the Work, including the Agreement dated October 10, 2013, except those other documents (if any) that are expressly referenced in this Agreement. This Agreement may be amended only by a subsequent written contract approved and signed by both parties.

12.2 **Independent Contractor.** Consultant's relationship to District is that of an independent Consultant. All persons hired by Consultant and performing the Work shall be Consultant's employees or agents. Consultant and its officers, employees and agents are not District employees, and they are not entitled to District employment salary, wages or benefits. Consultant shall pay, and District shall not be responsible in any way for, the salary, wages, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, disability insurance, tax withholding, and benefits to and on behalf of Consultant's employees. Consultant shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify District, and its officers, employees, volunteers and agents from and against any and all liability, penalties, expenses and costs resulting from any adverse determination by the federal Internal Revenue Service, California Franchise Tax Board, other federal or state agency, or court concerning Consultant's independent Consultant status or employment-related liability.

12.3 **Sub-consultants.** No subcontract shall be awarded nor any sub-consultant engaged by Consultant without District's prior written approval. Consultant shall be responsible for requiring and confirming that each approved sub-consultant meets the minimum insurance requirements specified in section 11 of this Agreement. Any approved sub-consultant shall obtain the required insurance coverages and provide proof of same to District in the manner provided in section 11 of this Agreement.

12.4 **Assignment.** This Agreement and all rights and obligations under it are personal to the parties. The Agreement may not be transferred, assigned, delegated or subcontracted in whole or in part, whether by assignment, subcontract, merger, operation of law or otherwise, by either party without the prior written consent of the other party. Any transfer, assignment, delegation, or subcontract in violation of this provision is null and void and grounds for the other party to terminate the Agreement.

12.5 **No Waiver of Rights.** Any waiver at any time by either party of its rights as to a breach or default of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver as to any other breach or default. No payment by District to Consultant shall be considered or construed to be an approval or acceptance of any Work or a waiver of any breach or default.

12.6 **Severability.** If any part of this Agreement is held to be void, invalid, illegal or unenforceable, then the remaining parts will continue in full force and effect and be fully binding, provided that each party still receives the benefits of this Agreement.

12.7 **Governing Law and Venue.** This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. The county and federal district court where District's office is located shall be venue for any state and federal court litigation concerning the enforcement or construction of this Agreement.

12.8 **Notice.** Any notice, demand, invoice or other communication required or permitted to be given under this Agreement must be in writing and delivered either (a) in person, (b) by prepaid, first class U.S. mail, (c) by a nationally-recognized commercial overnight courier service that guarantees next day delivery and provides a receipt, or (d) by email with confirmed receipt. Such notices, etc. shall be addressed as follows:

District:

Midway Heights County Water District

Attn: _____

Midway Heights County Water District, PO Box 596, Meadow Vista, CA 95722

E-mail: _____

Consultant:

Attn: _____

E-mail: _____

Notice given as above will be deemed given (a) when delivered in person, (b) three days after deposited in prepaid, first class U.S. mail, (c) on the date of delivery as shown on the overnight courier service receipt, or (d) upon the sender's receipt of an email from the other party confirming the delivery of the notice, etc. Any party may change its contact information by notifying the other party of the change in the manner provided above.

12.9 **Signature Authority.** Each party warrants that the person signing this Agreement is authorized to act on behalf of the party for whom that person signs. The Parties may execute and deliver this Agreement and documents necessary to perform it, including task orders and amendments, in any number of original or facsimile counterparts. When each Party has signed and delivered at least one counterpart to the other Party, each counterpart shall be deemed an original and, taken together, the counterparts shall constitute one and the same document, which shall be binding and effective.

Midway Heights County Water District:

Dated: _____

By: _____
[Name]
[Title]

[Name of Consultant]:

Dated: _____

By: _____
[Name/Title]

Exhibit A

A.1 SCOPE OF SERVICES AND DUTIES.

The services to be provided by CONSULTANT and the scope of CONSULTANT/CONSULTANTS's duties include the following:

SAMPLE

Exhibit B

Fee Schedule

- I. The following are hourly rates for professional services. Overtime and weekend hours are billed at time-and-a-half. Evening meetings are not considered overtime unless the total daily hours exceed eight.

- II. Consultant will remain the judge of the level of qualification required to complete a given task.
- III.
- IV. Mileage will be billed at a rate of \$0.XXXX per mile.