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# **ACTION ITEM**

Consideration and Possible Approval of an Amendment to Contract #1461 with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to Add Funds and Extend the Performance Period (Resolution 2024-03)

## Summary

The Executive Officer requests authority to approve an amendment to contract #1461 with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to add \$121,750 to the contract and extend the contract performance period by one year through June 30, 2025. The additional budget and time will allow for continued support and completion of the rulemaking process for the Ecosystem Amendment of the Delta Plan.

### Requested Action

Approve Resolution 2024-03 authorizing the Executive Officer, or delegee, to amend contract #1461 with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to add \$121,750 to the contract and extend the term expiration from June 30, 2024, to June 30, 2025. The proposed amendment would bring the total not to exceed contract amount to \$6,496,750.

## Background

Amendments to the Delta Plan that are regulatory in nature require compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act rulemaking process (Gov. Code § 11340 et seq). The Council approved amendments to Chapter 4 of the Delta Plan, *Protect, Restore, and Enhance the Delta Ecosystem* (Ecosystem Amendment) on June 23, 2022, some of which require proposed regulatory amendments.

A time only extension of this contract was approved by the Council on March 23, 2023, and work has been ongoing. Given Council regulatory workload associated with completion of the Delta Levees Investment Strategy (DLIS) rulemaking process, additional time (through June 30, 2025) to complete the Ecosystem Amendment rulemaking is required.

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The contract now includes funding sufficient to complete initial rulemaking documents up to a public hearing on the rulemaking, but does not have funding sufficient through completion of final rulemaking documents for the proposed rulemaking package. This proposed amendment would add \$121,750 to the contract to support these tasks.

### Fiscal Information

Not applicable.

### List of Attachments

Attachment 1: Resolution 2024-03

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