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DATE: September 19, 2018
TO: Measure A Citizen's Oversight Committee
FROM: Dave Jeffries, Deputy Executive Officer for the Next Gen Project
SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM D: Update on Status of Next Gen System Project

Recommended Action: Review, discuss and accept report.

Background:

We are currently in Customer Design Review (CDR) with Motorola. MERA is represented in these discussions by our Federal Engineering Project Manager, David Mortimer, MERA Operations Officer Ernest Klock and myself, supported by additional County and Federal Engineering staff, as needed. We have also started the Environmental Review process. A few key issues:

- 1) Project Schedule – We anticipate a revised project schedule from Motorola later this year. Once the CEQA process has been completed, we should be able to more accurately identify schedule milestones. The CEQA process has provided us additional time to work through the remaining Customer Design Review items.
- 2) California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) – MERA has published a Notice of Preparation and Project Summary and held a public scoping meeting. The scoping period has concluded. MERA is preparing a draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) that will also be available for public comment. Following that comment period, a Final SEIR will be developed and provided for public comment followed by the MERA Governing Board considering the Final EIR later this year.
- 3) Public Outreach – MERA staff has met with and presented to several groups, including Tomales Design Review Committee, Mill Valley City staff and City Council, Marinwood, and Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria. Additional public presentations for Muir Beach are being planned.
- 4) Change Orders – MERA is currently reviewing four significant Contract Change Orders, totaling over \$5,000,000 over the life of the system to address several open issues between MERA and Motorola. Following staff review, the Change Orders were reviewed by the Operational Issues Working Group. On 09/12/18, the Change Orders were reviewed by the Next Gen Project Oversight Committee and Finance Committee at a joint meeting. They were discussed later the same day by the Executive Committee in anticipation of a first discussion with the Governing Board on 09/26/18. The Contract Change Orders include:
 - a. CCO#5 – Equipment for Mt. Tiburon and Mill Valley and other technology.
 - b. CCO#6 – Sonoma Mountain equipment, Site Readiness and other issues.
 - c. CCO#7 – Radio Management and Early Equipment Delivery.
 - d. CCO#8 – Multi-Protocol Label Switching for the Microwave System.