



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Ranking of firms and agreement with SePRO Corporation for Joe's Creek Stream Restoration Utilizing Phosphorus Mitigation and Realtime Variable Rate Injection and Monitoring Systems.

Recommended Action:

Approval of agreement with the sole respondent, number one ranked firm SePRO Corporation for Joe's Creek Stream Restoration Utilizing Phosphorus Mitigation and Realtime Variable Rate Injection and Monitoring Systems.

- This contract is for Pinellas County's investment in improving Joe's Creek water quality. This project involves coupling chemical applications and monitoring approaches to remove phosphorus within the waters of Joe's Creek as well as inactivating legacy phosphorus in the sediment of the four small lakes within Joe's Creek flow path..
- One proposal was received with an award recommendation to SePRO Corporation.
- This work is specialized with SePRO Corporation being the only firm in this area that can provide these services utilizing phosphorus mitigation and real-time variable rate injection and monitoring systems.
- This contract is 100% grant reimbursed by the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Urban Stream Restoration Utilizing Phosphorus Mitigation and Realtime Variable Rate Injection and Monitoring Systems Grant.
- The BCC approved the Grant Agreement with State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, entered into on June 17, 2025, and received \$901,840.00 for this work and a grant period of 880 calendar days.
- Expenditure funding for these agreements is included in the current-year budget of Public Works in the Surface Water Utility Fund.

Contract No. 25-0875-RFP in the not-to-exceed contract value of \$901,840.00 effective for 880 calendar days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Strategic Priorities:

Resilient Infrastructure and Environment

1.4 Improve environmental quality

1.6 Ensure sustainable water management

Smart Service Delivery

4.2 Achieve and maintain a high level of customer satisfaction.

4.4 Pursue continuous improvement

Summary:

This contract is for Pinellas County's investment in improving Joe's Creek water quality so local urban

communities can enjoy outdoor recreational opportunities centered around safe, clean, and enjoyable water. This project involves coupling innovative chemical applications and monitoring approaches to remove Phosphorus within the waters of Joe's Creek as well as inactivating legacy Phosphorus in the sediment of the four small lakes within Joe's Creek flow path. This project proposes an inline automated injection technology for continuous application of a lanthanum-based Phosphorus sequestration agent into Joe's Creek, as well as the application of lanthanum-based treatments to sequester sediment-bound Phosphorus within the four lakes.

Background Information:

A Request for Proposal (RFP) was released on August 29, 2025, resulting in one (1) responsive proposal. An evaluation meeting commenced on October 20, 2025, with the committee recommending award to SePRO Corporation. Negotiation for the final agreement was completed on November 12, 2025.

Fiscal Impact:

880 calendar day not to exceed expenditure: \$901,840.00

Revenue of \$901,840 for this contract is being received through the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Urban Stream Restoration Utilizing Phosphorus Mitigation and Realtime Variable Rate Injection and Monitoring Systems Grant. Revenue funding for these agreements is not included in the current-year budget Public Works Surface Water Utility Fund. Work is not expected to commence until late FY26, and a budget amendment to recognize the revenue may be requested if needed at that time.

Expenditure funding for these agreements is included in the current-year budget of Public Works in the Surface Water Utility Fund.

Staff Member Responsible:

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Partners:

State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Attachments:

Agreement
Evaluation Ranking