INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

DEPARTMENT: General Administration, **DATE:** October 29, 2025

Diversity Section

TO: Pinakin Desai, Acting Director of Maintenance & Operations

FROM: Richard L. Martinez, Jr., Diversity Administrator

SUBJECT: Re-Review of Information for Contract 25-721-21, Restoration of Egan

WRP Permeable Paver Parking Lot

We have reviewed the specifications for the subject contract and the material, labor, equipment and man-hours breakdown by trades. The work under this contract should be classified as "Construction Services." The associated Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), Women Business Enterprise (WBE) and Veteran Business Enterprise (VBE) individual goals are: 20% MBE and/or WBE and 3% VBE. The goals should be specified in the Invitation to Bid, the Proposal, and the Agreement.

In addition:

- A Pre-Bid Conference **must be** conducted.
- A Suppliers Exception has been recommended.
- The Affirmative Action Ordinance Revised Appendix D, dated December 22, 2022, **must** be included.
- Assist Agencies List must be included.
- Appendix V must be included.
- The following language must be included: "The Contractor must use the District's online compliance monitoring system administered by the Diversity Section for payment and reporting purposes, in order to fulfill the Affirmative Action Program requirements."

Also, please refer to the attached **Revised** memo, June 14, 2023, for new boiler plate language. This language should be consistent in its incorporation in the Invitation to Bid, the Proposal, and the Agreement.

If you have any questions, please contact Diversity Officer, Maalik J. Phipps, phippsm@mwrd.org.

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Attachment

cc: LoCascio, Morakalis, Skawski, Matias, Austin, Cornier, Kunath, N. Lopez, M. Valdez, Wunderlich, file