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Field Representative - County Facilities Construction (CFC)
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Re: SB 844 Scope Change Request

Dear Ms. Parker-Mashburn:

El Dorado County is grateful to receive the SB 844 funding for the El Dorado County SB 844 Recovery, Rehabilitation and Reentry Facility project located at 300 Forni Road Placerville, California. The initial project scope included the design and construction of a new two-story addition with a basement and related site work adjacent to the existing Placerville Jail facility on County owned land. The new building was to be connected to the existing jail facility with short corridors on both floors, separated with seismic expansion joints and sally ports with secure doors. The Housing floor included space for two, 27-bed housing units (for a total of 54 rated-beds) comprised of single bunk, double bunk, and dormitory configurations including dayrooms, support spaces, counseling, and secured indoor recreation yards. The second floor Support & Health Services area was to include administrative, medical and mental health services, program, storage, in-person visitation, staff areas, and attorney counseling spaces. It also included 14 medical and special use beds. The project was to include, but was not to be limited to utilities, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, communications, security, site improvements, fire protection systems, security fencing, an emergency generator, and all necessary appurtenances.

Due to this being a design build project, the County discovered some deficiencies in our bridging document designs. These deficiencies were a combination of State code per Title 24 and Title 15 the minimum standards for local detention facilities – the minimum standards for local requirements, operational efficiency and overall safety. The County shifted some of our defined spaces from one floor plate to the other floor plate and vice versa. Some of the elements that were originally planned for the Health Services floor were moved to the Housing floor which included in-person visitation, administrative space, women's locker room, and IT (information technology). From a

logistics and operational standpoint, it would be much easier to have the in-person visitation and administrative space on the Housing floor. To make room for the spaces that were moved/relocated to the Housing floor, the jail staff requested to move one of our recreation areas to the Health Services floor to accommodate the people housed in the medical/mental health wing and to enhance it significantly to meet Title 24 requirements for an outdoor recreation area that is at least 600 square feet because the Bridging Documents were deficient and did not meet the minimum standard. As a result of this design change, a recreation area that is now sufficient space to meet or exceed the respective Title 24 (design) and Title 15 (operational) regulations for the inmate population that will be housed within this facility will be provided.

The staff also decided to convert two of the three dorms that were in the original bridging documents to celled housing. From an operational standpoint it made more sense to convert dorms into cells to provide a safer, more secure environment for the people being housed and the ability to accommodate various security levels and designations within the same housing pod that is allowable with a controlled, celled housing environment but not with dormitory housing due to the inability to separate incarcerated individuals who are unable to coningle in an open, dormitory setting.

The original intent of this facility as indicated in the application and as indicated in the current SPWB-approved scope description is still applicable and consistent with the proposed changes that have been made during the design phase of design build construction. The County requests a scope change to include the design and construction of a new, two-story addition and related site work adjacent to the existing Placerville Jail facility on county-owned land. The new building will be connected to the existing building with short corridors on both floors, separated with seismic expansion joints and sally ports with secure doors. The Housing floor will include four housing units with a total of approximately 55 beds. The space will be comprised of double-occupancy cells and a dormitory, and include administrative space, in-person visitation, dayrooms, support spaces, counseling/interview/medication screening spaces, and a secured indoor recreation area. The Health Services floor will include medical and mental health services, treatment and program spaces, a secured outdoor recreation area, storage, staff areas, and an attorney counseling/interview space. This will also include approximately 15 medical / mental health and special use beds. The project will include, but is not limited to, utilities, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning, propane, communication, security systems, site improvements, fire protection system, security fencing, an emergency generator, and all necessary appurtenances.

Please accept this letter as a request to modify the original project scope description that was approved by SPWB on October 29, 2018, for the establishment of the project scope, cost and schedule phase. Please refer to Exhibit B for the proposed project scope revision developed in conjunction with our design build team.

We appreciate your assistance in facilitating the scope change approval. If there is a need for additional information or if you have any questions, please contact Charles Harrell at (530) 621-6051 or charles.harrell@edcgov.us.



Sincerely,
Charles Harrell
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County of El Dorado

Attachments:

- Exhibit A – Current Project Scope Description
- Exhibit B – Proposed Project Scope Description
- Exhibit C – Proposed Floor Plans
- Exhibit D – Proposed Site Map

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