

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT TO PROVIDE ANACOSTIA RIVER WATERSHED TRASH MONITORING AND REDUCTION IMPLEMENTATION PLAN ASSISTANCE

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments is both a nationally recognized watershed restoration and stream macro-invertebrate and physical aquatic habitat and water quality and stream trash level monitoring expert and has provided coordination, management and technical support for the Anacostia restoration effort since 1987; and

WHEREAS, COG has a continuing interest in the restoration, management and protection of the Anacostia River and its tributaries; and

WHEREAS, the Council helped develop Anacostia trash monitoring program, regularly surveyed major portions of the Anacostia tributary system, employed the geographic information system technology to both record and present survey results, and has worked with its many partners and the citizen communities to increase participation in the restoration effort; and

WHEREAS, the Anacostia watershed has been listed under section 303 (d) of the Clean Water Act as being impaired by high trash levels, and the state of Maryland has developed a trash total maximum daily load (TMDL) for its portion of the watershed; and

WHEREAS, since 1987, Prince George's County has been instrumental in the restoration of the Anacostia River and its tributaries, and is an active voting member of the Anacostia Watershed Steering Committee (AWSC) and Anacostia Watershed Management Committee (AWMC); and

WHEREAS, over the past several years, the Council has worked cooperatively with Prince George's County, the state of Maryland, the Maryland-National Capitol Park and Planning Commission, the Anacostia citizenry and others to successfully monitor trash levels in the Anacostia watershed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to submit a proposal and execute a contract up to \$410,010 from the Prince George's County Department of the Environmental Resources, for the Anacostia Trash MS4 and TMDL Monitoring and GIS-Related Assistance project to perform trash monitoring surveys, evaluate trash reduction technologies, work in the Chillum-Ray community and with the Ridgecrest Elementary School, and work with the County to customize a trash-related GIS database that meets the County's data sharing, tracking and reporting needs. The project duration will be 4-years from contract execution.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was approved and adopted by the COG Board of Directors at its regular meeting held on March 11, 2015.

Monica Beyrouti

Clerk to the Board of Directors