

EXHIBIT B

Insurance Requirements for Environmental Contractors and/or Consultants

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damage to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors. With respect to General Liability, Errors & Omissions, Contractors Pollution Liability, and/or Asbestos Pollution Liability, coverage should be maintained for a minimum of five (5) years after contract completion.

MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. **Commercial General Liability (CGL):** Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. **Automobile Liability:** If the Contractor or the Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors utilize a motor vehicle in performing any of the work or services under the Agreement Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired (Code 8) and non-owned (Code 9) autos, with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
4. **Pollution Liability** and/or Asbestos Pollution Liability and/or Errors & Omissions applicable to the work being performed, with a limit no less than \$1,000,000 per claim or occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate per policy period of one year.

If the contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the County requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

Application of Excess Liability Coverage: Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as ("follow form" over) the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

Transportation Pollution Liability

Automobile Liability policy shall be endorsed to include Transportation Pollution Liability insurance, covering materials to be transported by Contractor pursuant to the contract. This coverage may also be provided on the Contractors Pollution Liability policy.

Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

Additional Insured Status

The County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10, CG 11 85 or both CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).

Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this project, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees, agents, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

Reporting

Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the County or its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers.

Notice of Cancellation

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the County.

Waiver of Subrogation

Contractor hereby grants to County a waiver of subrogation which any insurer may acquire against County, its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers, from Contractor by virtue of the payment of any loss. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

The Workers' Compensation policy shall be endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the County for all work performed by the Contractor, its employees, agents, and subcontractors.

Self-Insured Retentions

Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County. The County may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the

retention. The policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or County.

Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A-VII if admitted in the State of California. If Contractors Pollution Liability, Asbestos Pollution and/or Errors & Omissions coverages are not available from an admitted insurer, the coverage may be written by a non-admitted insurance company. A non-admitted company should have an A.M. Best rating of A:X or higher. Exception may be made for the California State Compensation Insurance Fund if not rated.

Claims Made Policies

If any of the required policies provide claims-made coverage:

1. The retroactive date must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase an extended period coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.
4. A copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the County for review.
5. If the services involve lead-based paint or asbestos identification / remediation, the Contractors Pollution Liability shall not contain lead-based paint or asbestos exclusions. If the services involve mold identification / remediation, the Contractors Pollution Liability shall not contain a mold exclusion and the definition of "Pollution" shall include microbial matter including mold.

Verification of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish the County with original certificates and amendatory endorsements, or copies of the applicable insurance language, effecting coverage required by this contract. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the County before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time. We strongly recommend obtaining a copy of the policy declarations and endorsement page (make this a requirement in your Contract) to facilitate verification of coverages and spot any undesirable policy limitations or exclusions.

Subcontractors

Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that County is an additional insured on

insurance required from subcontractors. For CGL coverage subcontractors shall provide coverage with a format least as broad as CG 20 38 04 13.

Special Risks or Circumstances

County reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

Insurance Limits

The limits of insurance described herein shall not limit the liability of the Contractor and Contractor's officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors. Contractor's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold the County and its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers harmless under the provisions of this paragraph is not limited to or restricted by any requirement in the Agreement for Contractor to procure and maintain a policy of insurance.

APPROVED AS TO INSURANCE CONTENT:

Stanislaus County

Chief Executive Office – Risk Management Division

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____