



BOARD OF PORT COMMISSIONERS

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CONSENT AGENDA ITEM F

APPROVAL OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH SCOTT LINDELL

**VENTURA PORT DISTRICT
BOARD COMMUNICATION**

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Meeting Date: September 28, 2016

TO: Board of Port Commissioners
FROM: Brian Pendleton, Business Operations Manager
SUBJECT: Approval of First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with Scott Lindell

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Port Commissioners approve the First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with Scott Lindell, Fisheries and Marine Biologist, in the amount of \$19,920 to provide consultant services for the Ventura Shellfish Enterprise Program (VSE).

SUMMARY:

The Ventura Port District has been awarded a two year, approximately \$300,000 Sea Grant fund (approximately \$265,000 to the District) to contract with qualified consultant(s) that will enable development of a permitting strategy, necessary permitting components, environmental reports and public outreach required for sustainably cultivated shellfish production to occur at Ventura Harbor.

Staff believes it is clearly in the District's best interest to ratify the amended agreement with Scott Lindell to meet the objectives of the grant by providing consultant services on the Task 1 - Strategic Permitting Analysis and Task 2 – Environmental Reports and Permitting as further detailed in the Sea Grant and Professional Services Agreements.

BACKGROUND:

The consultant will continue to work with the Ventura Port District and other VSE team members to develop a detailed work and process outline for this permitting and planning process. VSE seeks NOAA Sea Grant funding to develop a permitting strategy and prepare all necessary permit application components, baseline studies and proposed permitting terms and conditions, including necessary mitigation and monitoring, plus the consumer education program.

The consultant will participate in meetings and teleconferences with various local, State and Federal resource managers and regulators as appropriate in a progressive order to further identify issues, explore opportunities, and decide upon a full plan that would meet regulatory approval.

The consultant will be available to the Ventura Port District and other VSE team members to ask and answer questions, offer guidance and direction, and discuss issues by phone or mail during the permitting/planning process.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The grant is for a two year period on a one-plus-one basis and is contingent upon funding availability. Funding for both years has been made available. Year 1 funding is in the amount not to exceed \$9,960 for consulting services. Year 2 is in the amount not to exceed \$9,960 for consulting services. The combined Year 1 and Year 2 funding is \$19,920 for Mr. Lindell to provide the consulting services.