STANDARD CONTRACT

Greater than $25,000.00

This Contract, dated as of the last date executed by the County of Butte is between the County of Butte, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as "County", and the Contractor indicated in the variable information table below, hereinafter referred to as "Contractor."

VARIABLE INFORMATION TABLE			
Term of This Contract (Complete Dates in Just One of the Following Three Rows)			
√ Below	**Term Begins**	**Term Completion Date**	
☐	On Following Date	On Following Date	
☐	Upon Date Notice to Proceed Received	☐	Calendar Days Following Receipt of Notice to Proceed
☐	Upon Last Date Executed by County	☐	Calendar Days Following Execution of Contract by County
County Department		FOB Point	
Terms		Basis of Price **(Do Not √ More Than One of the Following Four Blocks)**	
Price	0	☐ Fixed Price	☐ Annual Price ☐ Monthly Price ☐ Hourly Rate
Not-to-Exceed Price		√ if Reasonable Expenses are authorized in addition to Hourly Rate	

Contractor Contact Information		**County Contact Information**	
Contractor		Project Manager	
Address		Address	
City, State & ZIP		City, State & ZIP	
Telephone		Telephone	
Facsimile		Facsimile	

WHEREAS, County, through the County Department identified above, desires to have work described in the Attachment II - Scope of Work performed; and

WHEREAS, Contractor possesses the necessary qualifications to perform the work described herein.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT AGREED between the parties to this Contract that this Contract is subject to the provisions contained in the following attachments, which are made a part of this Contract. Should there be any conflicts between this Contract and the attachments that are incorporated herein, precedence shall first be given to the provisions of this Contract followed by the attachments, in descending order, as indicated below:

Attachment III – Terms and Conditions
Attachment I – Insurance Requirements for County Contracts
Attachment II – Scope of Work

By signature below, the department head or his or her deputy certifies that no unauthorized alterations have been made to the Attachment III – "Terms and Conditions" and/or the Attachment I – "Standard Insurance Requirements."

Typed or Printed Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

This Contract and the above listed Attachments represent the entire undertaking between the parties.

COUNTY

Date

Steve Lambert, Chair
Butte County Board of Supervisors

REVIEWED FOR FISCAL CONTROL,
SUBJECT TO BUDGETARY APPROPRIATION
Contracts Division, GSD

By Date

CONTRACTOR

Date

REVIEWED AS TO FORM
BRUCE S. ALPERT
Butte County Counsel

By Date

ATTACHMENT I

STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Before the commencement of work, Contractor shall submit Certificates of Insurance and Endorsements evidencing that Contractor has obtained the following forms of coverage and minimal amounts specified:

A. MINIMUM SCOPE OF INSURANCE.

1.) Commercial General Liability coverage (Insurance Services Office (ISO) "occurrence" form CG 0001 1185).]

2.) Automobile Liability Insurance – standard coverage offered by insurance carriers licensed to sell auto liability insurance in California. Construction contracts only - Insurance Services Office's Business Auto Coverage form number CA 0001 0187 covering "any auto" and endorsement CA 0029 1288 Changes in Business Auto and Truckers Coverage forms - Insured Contract.

3.) Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by the Labor code and Employers Liability insurance

4.) Professional Liability Insurance - when the contract involves professional services such as engineering architectural, legal, accounting, instructing, and consulting, professional liability insurance is required.

B. MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE.

1.) **General Liability**: At least $1,000,000 combined single limit **per occurrence** coverage for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage, plus an annual aggregate of at least $2,000,000. If a general aggregate limit is used, then either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location, or the general aggregate limit shall be **twice** the required per occurrence limit. The contractor or contractor's insurance carrier shall notify County if incurred losses covered by the policy exceed 50% of the annual aggregate limit.

2) **Automobile Liability**: At least $100,000 to cover bodily injury for one person and $300,000 for two or more persons, and $50,000 to cover property damages. However, policy limits for construction projects shall be at least $1,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage for autos used by the contractor to fulfill the requirements of this contract, and coverage shall be provided for "Any Auto", Code 1 as listed on the Accord form Certificate of Insurance.

3.) **Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability:** Workers' Compensation insurance up to policy limits and Employer Liability insurance each with policy limits of at least $1,000,000 for bodily injury or disease.

4.) **Professional Liability Insurance (Delete if not contracting for professional services)**
Professional liability insurance covering professional services shall be provided in an amount of at least $1,000,000 per occurrence or $1,000,000 or on a claims made basis. However, if coverage is written on a claims made basis, the policy shall be endorsed to provide at least a two-year extended reporting provision.

C. DEDUCTIBLES AND SELF-INSURED RETENTIONS.

Any deductibles or self-insured retention must be declared on certificates of insurance and approved by the County. At the option of the County, either the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retention as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers, or the Contractor shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claims administration and defense expenses.

D. OTHER INSURANCE PROVISIONS.

1.) General liability insurance policies shall be endorsed to state:

a.) The County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers are to be covered as insured as respects liability arising out of activities performed by or at the direction of the Contractor, including products and completed operations of the Contractor; premises owned, occupied or used by the Contractor; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by Contractor. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the County, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers.

b.) Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

c.) Contractor's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.

2.) Construction contracts. Construction contracts must also provide an endorsement for Automobile liability insurance, which includes the items listed in D1 above.

E. ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURANCE CARRIERS.

Insurance is to be placed with insurers who are licensed to sell insurance in the State of California and who possess a Best's rating of no less than A-: VII. If the contractor's insurance carrier is not licensed to sell insurance in the State of California, then the carrier must possess a Best rating of at least A: VIII. (For Best ratings go to http://www.ambest.com/)

F. VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE.

Contractor shall furnish the County **certificates of insurance** and original **endorsements** affecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates of insurance and endorsements are to be received and approved by the County before work under the contract has begun. The County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all insurance policies required by this contract.

Certificates of insurance shall state that the insuring agency agrees to endeavor to mail to County written notice 30 days before any of the insurance policies described herein are cancelled. Contractor agrees to notify County within two working days of any notice from an insuring agency that cancels, suspends, reduces in coverage or policy limits the insurance coverages described herein.

G. SUBCONTRACTORS.

Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insured under its policies or require all subcontractors to be insured under their own policies. If subcontractors are insured under their own policies, they shall be subject to all the requirements stated herein, including providing the County certificates of insurance and endorsements before beginning work under this contract.

ATTACHMENT II

SCOPE OF WORK

Unless indicated otherwise herein, the Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, transportation, supervision and management, and pay all taxes required to complete the project described below:

[Note: The following Paragraph Headings are provided as tasks to consider for inclusion in the Scope of Work. If one or more of these Paragraph Headins are not applicable, they should be deleted from the Scope of Work. The text following each heading includes an explanation of material that would be included in that paragraph. All the information should be removed when the Scope of Work is finalized for inclusion in the contract.]

CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY

[This section should include all the work that the Contractor will be required to complete during performance of the contract. When Contractor tasks are specified, they should be worded such that the Contractor "shall" perfom. Words such as "must", "should", "will" or "may" are to be avoided as "shall" is the word used in contracts that most compels the contractor to complete tasks in the Scope of Work.]

Contractor Tasks:

[There should always be contractor task included in the Scope of Work. However, if this is the only applicable Paragraph Heading, then this heading may be eliminated.]

Contractor Milestones:

[If there are certain milestones that the Contractor is required to complete, (normally by some certain date or a number of days following some other milestone or event), they may be included in this paragraph. If Contractor payments are tied to milestones, then the milestones may be combined with those milestones below in the "Contractor Compensation" paragraph and this paragraph heading would not be needed.]

Meetings:

[If there are signifigant meetings (such as public hearings) or periodic meetins (such as periodic progress meetings) they can be specified in this paragraph.]

Contractor Reports :

[If there are reports such as periodic progress reports, draft studies or final reports, they can be described in this paragraph. Consideration should be given to provide due dates for the various reports.]

Other Contractor Deliverables :

[Other Contractor deliverable and due dates can be shown in this paragraph.]

Contractor Compensation:

[If the Contractor is to be paid on a Not-to-Exceed basis, or otherwise based on reimbursable expenses, then the basis for reimbursing the Contractor should be indicated in this paragraph. If the Contractor is to be reimbursed on a Fixed-Price basis, this paragraph is not required. If the Contractor is to be reimbursed on hours of work performend, then separate billing rates should be shown by job title or employee name. Mileage reimbursement may be based on the IRS rate or a specified rate per mile. In some cases, contractors are required to drive a truck that is more expensive to operate than an automobile. In this case, a mileage rate greater than the IRS rate may be appropriate. When rates are based on actual expenditures, department should avoid paying the actual expenditure plus an additional percentage. The reason to avoid payment of a percentage over the actual expenditure is that this reimbursement method motivates the Contractor to spend excessively. It it is not possible to entirely eliminate to entirely eliminate the percentage paid in addition to the actual cost, a not-to-exceed cost should be negotiated for these expenditures.]

COUNTY RESPONSIBILITY

[If the County has some specific responsibilites to perform during the term of the contract, they can be provided in this seciton of the Scope of Work. While it is the County's policy to faithfully perform the work described in this section, it is acceptable to use words such as "must", "should", "will" rather than "shall" to describe the work to be performed by the County.]

Attachment III

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **Scope of Work**. The work to be undertaken is identified in the attached "Attachment II – Scope of Work" which is made a part of this Contract.

2. **Reimbursement**. The work shall be performed for the Fixed price, Annual price, Monthly price or Hourly rate as indicated above in the variable information table, but shall not exceed the Not-to-Exceed Price if included in the variable information table. Reasonable expenses are authorized in addition to the Hourly Rate if both the Hourly Rate block and the block authorizing Reasonable Expenses are checked in the variable information table. Payment shall be made after the Project Manager or designee reviews and approves the work and after submittal of an invoice by the Contractor.

3. **County Project Manager**. The County project manager or designee for this undertaking who will receive payment invoices and answer questions related to the coordination of this undertaking is identified above in the variable information table.

4. **Independent Contractor**. Contractor is an independent contractor, working under his/her own supervision and direction and is not a representative or employee of County. Contractor agrees to file tax returns and pay all applicable taxes on amounts paid pursuant to this Contract.

5. **Confidentiality and Ownership**. The County retains the exclusive right of ownership to the work, products, inventions and confidential information produced for the County by the Contractor, and the Contractor shall not disclose any information, whether developed by the Contractor or given to the Contractor by the County.

6. **Termination**. This Contract may be terminated by either the County or Contractor by a thirty day written notice. Authorized costs incurred by the Contractor will be reimbursed up to the date of termination. Notwithstanding anything stated to the contrary herein, this Contract shall expire on the Completion Date indicated in the above Variable Information Table unless the Completion Date is modified by written amendment to this Contract.

7. **Indemnification**. Contractor agrees to accept responsibility for loss or damage to any person or entity, and to defend, indemnify, hold harmless and release the County, its officers, agents and employees from and against any and all actions, claims, damages, disabilities or expenses that may be asserted by any person or entity, including Contractor, to the extent arising out of or in connection with the negligent acts or omissions or willful misconduct in the performance by Contractor hereunder, whether or not there is concurrent negligence on the part of the County, but excluding liability due to the active negligence or willful misconduct of the County. This indemnification obligation is not limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages or compensation payable to or for Contractor or its agents under worker's compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefits acts. Contractor shall be liable to County for any loss of or damage to County property arising out of or in connection with Contractor's negligence or willful misconduct.

8. **Insurance Requirements**. Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from, or be in connection with the performance of the Work hereunder by Contractor, Contractor's agents, representatives, employees and subcontractors. At the very least, Contractor shall maintain the insurance coverages, limits of coverage, and other insurance requirements as described in Attachment I to this Contract.

9. **Changes to the Contract**. Changes to this Contract may only be approved by written amendment to this Contract.

10. **Contractor's Standard of Care**. County has relied upon the professional ability and training of the Contractor as a material inducement to enter into this Contract. Contractor hereby warrants that all of Contractor's work will be performed in accordance with generally accepted and applicable professional practices and standards as well as the requirements of applicable Federal, State and local laws, it being understood that acceptance of Contractor's work by County shall not operate as a waiver or release.

11. **Termination for Exceeding Maximum Level of Expenditures.** Contracts exceeding the monetary limits delegated to the Purchasing Agent, or authorized deputies, are not valid unless duly executed by the Chair of the Board of Supervisors. If this Contract was executed for the County of Butte by the Purchasing Agent, or authorized deputy, this Contract shall automatically terminate on the date that the provision of services or personal property or incurring of expenses, the cumulative total of which, exceeds the amount prescribed by Government Code Section 25502.5 for personal services contracts or the amount prescribed by Public Contract Code Section 22032 (b) for public works contracts.

12. **Termination for Exceeding Maximum Term.** Contracts exceeding the three year term delegated to the Purchasing Agent, or authorized deputies, are not valid unless duly executed by the Chair of the Board of Supervisors. If this Contract was executed for the County of Butte by the Purchasing Agent, or authorized deputy, this Contract shall automatically terminate on the date that the term exceeds three years. Amendments to this Contract, or new Contracts for essentially the same purpose, shall not be valid beyond the three year limitation unless duly executed by the Chair of the Board of Supervisors.

13. **Compliance with Laws**. Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State and local laws, rules and regulations including, without limitation, any nondiscrimination laws.

14. **Applicable Law and Forum**. This Contract shall be construed and interpreted according to California law and any action to enforce the terms of this Contract for the breach thereof shall be brought and tried in the County of Butte.

15. **Contradictions in Terms and Conditions.** In the event of any contradictions in the terms and/or conditions of this Contract, these Attachment III TERMS AND CONDITIONS shall prevail.

16. **No Delegation or Assignment**: Provider shall not delegate, transfer or assign its duties or rights under this Agreement, either in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, by acquisition, asset sale, merger, change of control, operation of law or otherwise, without the prior written consent of County and any prohibited delegation or assignment shall render the contract in breach. Upon consent to any delegation, transfer or assignment, the parties will enter into an amendment to reflect the transfer and successor to Provider. County will not be obligated to make payment under the Agreement until such time that the amendment is entered into.