

Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Request

Date of Meeting: June 7, 2010

Date Submitted: May 21, 2010

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Benjamin H. Pingree, County Administrator
Cleve Fleming, Public Works Project Director

Subject: Request Board Consideration and Approval to Expend Budgeted Capital Improvement Plan Funds to Purchase a Grapple Truck for County-Wide Debris Removal and Storm Cleanup

Statement of Issue:

This agenda item requests Board consideration and approval to expend budgeted Capital Improvement Plan funds to purchase a grapple truck for County-wide debris removal and storm cleanup for \$119,500.

Background:

This grapple truck purchase consists of a 2011 Hino 338 truck (Toyota's division of heavy trucks) with a Ramer 3500 grapple loader. This truck is self contained and can load, transport, and dump without the need for any other equipment. It can also be used to load dump trucks and open top containers. A grapple truck requires only one operator.

Currently, to perform roadside debris removal, a tractor trailer with a dump box and a John Deere wheel loader (which has to be followed to the site with another truck for safety) are used. This is not only more time consuming in getting three vehicles to the site, but also requires three operators.

In an effort to meet the needs of a growing County in a more efficient way, staff has been researching different pieces of equipment that would aid in debris removal in an efficient manner.

Analysis:

Within the Department of Public Works' Road and Bridge Capital Improvement Plan Budget for Fiscal Year 2009-2010, \$135,000 was appropriated for the purchase of a grapple truck. The purchase will be made from Capital Truck in Tallahassee. The vendor will honor the 2010 Sheriff's State Contract price. This purchase is in accordance to the County's Purchasing Policy Number 4.9 "Cooperative Purchasing". Funding for the purchase is received from the Transportation Trust Fund/Road Department.

Options:

1. Approve the expenditure of budgeted CIP funds to purchase a 2011 grapple truck from Capital Truck for \$119,500 for immediate delivery.

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2. Do not approve the expenditure for a grapple truck.
3. Board direction.

Recommendation:

Option #1

Attachment(s):

1. Quote from Capital Truck