



## **CITY OF SALINAS COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

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**DATE:** OCTOBER 12, 2021

**DEPARTMENT:** PUBLIC WORKS

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**TITLE:** PURCHASE TRACK LOADER WITH MULCHING  
ATTACHMENT

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

It is recommended that City Council approve a resolution authorizing the direct purchase of a John Deer 333G compact track loader with a Mulching head attachment for the Public Works Department.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that City Council approve a resolution authorizing the purchase of a John Deer 333G compact track loader with a Mulching head attachment at a total cost of \$137,710.15 using fund 9068.

### **DISCUSSION:**

This report explains why staff chose the John Deer 333G. The track loader will be used to clear underbrush from pathways, waterways, and parks within the City of Salinas. The current underbrush encroaches of pathways and creates hiding places for illegal activity. This track loader will allow the Public Works Department to efficiently remove the underbrush.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Public Works Department continues to look for ways to upkeep the City's pathways and waterways and to maintain the underbrush throughout the City.

A demonstration of the mulching head was given to the Public Works Maintenance Division and it was determined the equipment can help the City maintain areas throughout the City spaces. Over the past year the city spent \$19,700.00 at Natividad Creek, \$39,000.00 at Gabilan Creek, and \$12,000.00 at Bardin School along the ditch to clear this overgrowth.

This machine will be used by Forestry, Streets, Parks, Sanitary, and Industrial Waste. It can support a multitude of attachments and can be used for handling material, grinding markings off asphalt, homeless encampment clean ups to name a few. Its low profile and high maneuverability making this machine a great choice for locations where space is an issue. The City has a trailer and truck that can move this machine to various locations.

It will be replacing a 1994 Bobcat. The current machine is a Tier 1 engine. The Air Resources Board requires all older tier engines to be removed from service depending on fleet size. By removing the old unit. We get credits that allow us a longer replacement cycle on other units.

This vehicle will be purchased at Pape Machinery in Gilroy using Sourcewell Contract # 032515-JDC. Pape Machinery is the closest John Deere dealer for construction equipment.

The cooperative purchases with other government agencies are exempt from the competitive bid process per Salinas Municipal Code Section 12-25 – Exceptions “cooperative purchasing with other governmental agencies”. Sourcewell is a local government unit, public corporation and public agency under the laws of the state of Minnesota.

#### CEQA CONSIDERATION:

**Not a Project.** The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378).

#### STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

The requested Council action directly relates to Council’s Strategic Plans or Goals of providing for “Operational Efficiencies”.

#### DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

Fleet Maintenance in coordination with the Public Works Maintenance Staff discuss the needs of the Department. We concluded that the vehicle in this report meets the needs of the Maintenance Division.

#### FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

This purchase will come from 9068 (City Cleanup Program) at a total cost of \$137,710.15.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Council Resolution  
Vehicle and Equipment quotes