

**CITY OF CORONA  
AGREEMENT FOR REMOVAL, TRANSPORTATION, AND DISPOSAL  
OF CLASS B BIOSOLIDS**

**1. PARTIES AND DATE.**

This Agreement is made and entered into this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 2021 by and between the City of Corona, a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of California with its principal place of business at 400 South Vicentia Avenue, Corona, California 92882 (“City”) and Synagro-WWT, Inc., a Maryland Corporation with its principal place of business at 435 Williams Court, Suit 100, Baltimore, MD 21220 (“Contractor”). City and Contractor are sometimes individually referred to as “Party” and collectively as “Parties” in this Agreement.

**2. RECITALS.**

**2.1 Contractor.**

Contractor desires to perform and assume responsibility for the removal, transportation, and disposal of Class B biosolids materials on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. Contractor represents that it is experienced in removing and disposing of Class B biosolids, is licensed in the State of California, and is familiar with the plans of City. Contractor shall not subcontract any portion of the work required by this Agreement, except as expressly stated herein, without prior written approval of City. Subcontracts, if any, shall contain a provision making them subject to all provisions stipulated in this Agreement.

**2.2 Project.**

City desires to engage Contractor to remove, transport, and dispose of Class B biosolids as set forth in this Agreement.

**2.3 Corona Utility Authority.**

Contractor understands that the City has entered into a Water Enterprise Management Agreement and a Wastewater Enterprise Management Agreement, both dated as of February 6, 2002, with the Corona Utility Authority (“CUA”) for the maintenance, management and operation of those utility systems (collectively, the “CUA Management Agreements”). To the extent that this Agreement is deemed to be a "material contract" under either of the CUA Management Agreements, City enters into this Agreement on behalf of the CUA and subject to the terms of the applicable CUA Management Agreement(s).

**3. TERMS.**

**3.1 Scope of Services and Term.**

3.1.1 General Scope of Services. Contractor promises and agrees to furnish to the City all labor, materials, tools, equipment, services, and incidental and customary work necessary to fully and adequately supply the Class B biosolids removal, transportation, and disposal services (“Services”) more particularly described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. All Services shall be subject to, and performed in accordance with, this Agreement, the exhibits attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances, and guidelines suggested by CalRecycle, including but not limited to obtaining any permits required for land application, incineration, or other means of disposing of Class B biosolids.

3.1.2 Term. The term of this Agreement shall be from September 1, 2021, to June 30, 2023, unless earlier terminated as provided herein. Contractor shall complete the Services within the term of this Agreement, and shall meet any other established schedules and deadlines. The Parties may, by mutual, written consent, extend the term of this Agreement if necessary to complete the Services.

### **3.2 Responsibilities of Contractor.**

3.2.1 Control and Payment of Subordinates; Independent Contractor. The Services shall be performed by Contractor or under its supervision. Contractor will determine the means, methods and details of performing the Services subject to the requirements of this Agreement. City retains Contractor on an independent contractor basis and not as an employee. Contractor retains the right to perform similar or different services for others during the term of this Agreement. Any additional personnel performing the Services under this Agreement on behalf of Contractor shall also not be employees of City and shall at all times be under Contractor’s exclusive direction and control. Contractor shall pay all wages, salaries, and other amounts due such personnel in connection with their performance of Services under this Agreement and as required by law. Contractor shall be responsible for all reports and obligations respecting such additional personnel, including, but not limited to: social security taxes, income tax withholding, unemployment insurance, disability insurance, and workers’ compensation insurance.

3.2.2 Schedule of Services. Contractor shall perform the Services within the Term of this Agreement, in accordance with the Schedule of Services set forth in Exhibit “B” attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and in accordance with any other completion schedule or milestones which may be separately agreed upon in writing by the Parties. Contractor represents that it has the professional and technical personnel required to perform the Services in conformance with such conditions. In order to facilitate Contractor’s conformance with the Schedule, City shall respond to Contractor’s submittals in a timely manner. Upon request of City, Contractor shall provide a more detailed schedule of anticipated performance to meet the Schedule of Services.

3.2.3 Qualified Personnel. Contractor represents that it has the personnel required to perform the Services in conformance with the requirements of this Agreement.

3.2.4 Conformance to Applicable Requirements. All Services performed by Contractor shall be subject to the approval of City.

3.2.5 City's Representative. The City hereby designates Tom Moody, or his or her designee, to act as its representative for the performance of this Agreement ("City's Representative"). City's Representative shall have the power to act on behalf of the City for all purposes under this Contract. Contractor shall not accept direction or orders from any person other than the City's Representative or his or her designee.

3.2.6 Contractor's Representative. Contractor hereby designates Robert Preston, or his or her designee, to act as its representative for the performance of this Agreement ("Contractor's Representative"). Contractor's Representative shall have full authority to represent and act on behalf of the Contractor for all purposes under this Agreement. The Contractor's Representative shall supervise and direct the Services, using his best skill and attention, and shall be responsible for all means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures and for the satisfactory coordination of all portions of the Services under this Agreement.

3.2.7 Coordination of Services. Contractor agrees to work closely with City staff in the performance of Services and shall be available to City's staff, consultants and other staff at all reasonable times.

3.2.8 Standard of Care; Performance of Employees. Contractor shall perform all Services under this Agreement in a skillful and competent manner, consistent with the standards generally recognized as being employed in the removal, transportation, and disposal of Class B biosolids in the State of California. Contractor represents and maintains that it is skilled in the professional calling necessary to perform the Services. Contractor agrees that all employees and subcontractors shall have sufficient skill and experience to perform the Services assigned to them. Finally, Contractor represents that it, its employees and subcontractors shall have all licenses, permits, qualifications and approvals of whatever nature that are legally required to perform the Services, including a City Business License, and that such licenses and approvals shall be maintained throughout the Term of this Agreement. As provided for in the indemnification provisions of this Agreement, Contractor shall perform, at its own cost and expense and without reimbursement from the City, any services necessary to correct errors or omissions which are caused by the Contractor's failure to comply with the standard of care provided for herein. Any employee of the Contractor or its sub-contractors who is determined by the City to be uncooperative, incompetent, a threat to the adequate or timely completion of the Project, a threat to the safety of persons or property, or any employee who fails or refuses to perform the Services in a manner acceptable to the City, shall be promptly removed from the Project by the Contractor and shall not be re-employed to perform any of the Services or to work on the Project.

3.2.9 Disputes. Should any dispute arise respecting the true value of any work done, of any work omitted, or of any extra work which Contractor may be required to do, or respecting the size of any payment to Contractor during the performance of this Contract, Contractor shall continue to perform the Work while said dispute is decided by the City. If Contractor disputes the City's decision, Contractor shall have such remedies as may be provided by law.

3.2.10 Laws and Regulations; Employee/Labor Certifications. Contractor shall keep itself fully informed of and in compliance with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations in any manner affecting the Services, including all Cal/OSHA requirements, and shall give all notices required by law. Contractor shall be liable for all violations of such laws and regulations in connection with Services. If the Contractor performs any work knowing it to be contrary to such laws, rules and regulations and without giving written notice to the City, Contractor shall be solely responsible for all costs arising therefrom. Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold City, its officials, directors, officers, employees, and agents free and harmless, pursuant to the indemnification provisions of this Agreement, from any claim or liability arising out of any failure or alleged failure to comply with such laws, rules or regulations. City is a public entity of the State of California subject to certain provisions of the Health & Safety Code, Government Code, Public Contract Code, and Labor Code of the State. It is stipulated and agreed that all provisions of the law applicable to the public contracts of a municipality are a part of this Contract to the same extent as though set forth herein and will be complied with. These include but are not limited to the payment of prevailing wages, the stipulation that eight (8) hours' labor shall constitute a legal day's work and that no worker shall be permitted to work in excess of eight (8) hours during any one calendar day except as permitted by law. Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold City, its officials, directors, officers, employees and agents free and harmless, pursuant to the indemnification provisions of this Agreement, from any claim or liability arising out of any failure or alleged failure to comply with such laws, rules or regulations.

3.2.10.1 Employment Eligibility; Contractor. By executing this Agreement, Contractor verifies that it fully complies with all requirements and restrictions of state and federal law respecting the employment of undocumented aliens, including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as may be amended from time to time. Such requirements and restrictions include, but are not limited to, examination and retention of documentation confirming the identity and immigration status of each employee of the Contractor. Contractor also verifies that it has not committed a violation of any such law within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of execution of this Agreement, and shall not violate any such law at any time during the term of the Agreement. Contractor shall avoid any violation of any such law during the term of this Agreement by participating in an electronic verification of work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, by participating in an equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, or by some other legally acceptable method. Contractor shall maintain records of each such verification, and shall make them available to the City or its representatives for inspection and copy at any time during normal business hours. The City shall not be responsible for any costs or expenses related to Contractor's compliance with the requirements provided for in Section 3.2.10 or any of its sub-sections.

3.2.10.2 Employment Eligibility; Subcontractors, Contractors, Sub-subcontractors and Subconsultants. To the same extent and under the same conditions as Contractor, Contractor shall require all of its subcontractors, consultants, sub-subcontractors and subconsultants performing any work relating to this Agreement to make the same verifications and comply with all requirements and restrictions provided for in Section 3.2.10.1.

3.2.10.3 Employment Eligibility; Failure to Comply. Each person executing this Agreement on behalf of Contractor verifies that they are a duly authorized officer of Contractor, and understands that any of the following shall be grounds for the City to terminate the Agreement for cause: (1) failure of Contractor or its subcontractors, consultants, sub-subcontractors or subconsultants to meet any of the requirements provided for in Sections 3.2.10.1 or 3.2.10.2; (2) any misrepresentation or material omission concerning compliance with such requirements (including in those verifications provided to the Contractor under Section 3.2.10.2); or (3) failure to immediately remove any person found not to be in compliance with such requirements.

3.2.10.4 Labor Certification. By its signature hereunder, Contractor certifies that it is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the California Labor Code which require every employer to be insured against liability for Workers' Compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that Code, and agrees to comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the Services.

3.2.10.5 Equal Opportunity Employment. Contractor represents that it is an equal opportunity employer and it shall not discriminate against any subconsultant, employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, handicap, ancestry, sex or age. Such non-discrimination shall include, but not be limited to, all activities related to initial employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination. Contractor shall also comply with all relevant provisions of City's Minority Business Enterprise program, Affirmative Action Plan or other related programs or guidelines currently in effect or hereinafter enacted.

3.2.10.6 Air Quality. To the extent applicable, Contractor must fully comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations in furnishing or using equipment and/or providing services, including, but not limited to, emissions limits and permitting requirements imposed by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) and/or California Air Resources Board (CARB). Although the SCAQMD and CARB limits and requirements are more broad, Contractor shall specifically be aware of their application to "portable equipment", which definition is considered by SCAQMD and CARB to include any item of equipment with a fuel-powered engine. Contractor shall indemnify City against any fines or penalties imposed by SCAQMD, CARB, or any other governmental or regulatory agency for violations of applicable laws, rules and/or regulations by Contractor, its subconsultants, or others for whom Contractor is responsible under its indemnity obligations provided for in this Agreement.

### 3.2.11 Insurance.

3.2.11.1 Time for Compliance. Contractor shall not commence Work under this Agreement until it has provided evidence satisfactory to the City that it has secured all insurance required under this section. In addition, Contractor shall not allow any subconsultant to commence work on any subcontract until it has provided evidence satisfactory to the City that the subconsultant has secured all insurance required under this section. Failure to provide and maintain all required insurance shall be grounds for the City to terminate this Agreement for cause.

3.2.11.2 Minimum Requirements. Contractor shall, at its expense, procure and maintain for the duration of the Agreement insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the Agreement by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or subconsultants. Contractor shall also require all of its subconsultants to procure and maintain the same insurance for the duration of the Agreement. Such insurance shall meet at least the following minimum levels of coverage:

(A) Minimum Scope of Insurance. Coverage shall be at least as broad as the latest version of the following: (1) *General Liability*: Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence form CG 0001); (2) *Automobile Liability and Transportation Pollution Liability*: Insurance Services Office Business Auto Coverage form number CA 0001, code 1 (any auto); and (3) *Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability*: Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the State of California and Employer's Liability Insurance.

(B) Minimum Limits of Insurance. Contractor shall maintain limits no less than: (1) *General Liability*: \$3,000,000 minimum per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. If Commercial General Liability Insurance or other form with general aggregate limit is used including, but not limited to, form CG 2503, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this Agreement/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit; (2) *Automobile Liability and Transportation Pollution Liability*: \$1,000,000 minimum per accident for bodily injury, property damage, and environmental restoration; and (3) *Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability*: Workers' Compensation limits as required by the Labor Code of the State of California. Employer's Liability limits of \$1,000,000 minimum per accident for bodily injury or disease.

3.2.11.3 Pollution Liability. Contractor shall procure and maintain, and require its sub-consultants to procure and maintain, for a period of five (5) years following completion of the contract, pollution liability insurance. The policy shall not contain exclusions for bio solids or other related compounds. Such insurance shall be in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per claim/\$2,000,000 policy aggregate, and shall be endorsed to include contractual liability and non-owned disposal sites.

3.2.11.4 Insurance Endorsements. The insurance policies shall contain the following provisions, or Contractor shall provide endorsements on forms supplied or approved by the City to add the following provisions to the insurance policies:

(A) General Liability. The general liability policy shall state that: (1) the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be covered as additional insured 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 therewith (the endorsement form shall be at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 37 and one of the following: CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33 or CG 20 38); and (2) the insurance coverage shall be primary insurance coverage as respects the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers (the endorsement form shall be at least as broad as ISO

CG 20 01 04 13). Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not be called upon to contribute with it in any way.

(B) Automobile Liability and Transportation Pollution Liability.

The automobile liability policy shall include or be endorsed (amended) to state that: (1) the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be covered as additional insureds with respect to the ownership, operation, maintenance, use, loading or unloading of any auto owned, leased, hired or borrowed by the Contractor or for which the Contractor is responsible; and (2) the insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, or if excess, shall stand in an unbroken chain of coverage excess of the Contractor's scheduled underlying coverage. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not be called upon to contribute with it in any way.

(C) Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Coverage. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers for losses paid under the terms of the insurance policy which arise from work performed by the Contractor.

(D) Pollution Liability. The Contractor's Pollution Liability policy shall include or be endorsed (amended) to state that: (1) the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be covered as additional insureds with respect to the work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor, including any and all remediation costs, including, but not limited to, restoration costs, and coverage for the removal, repair, handling, and disposal of asbestos and/or lead containing materials, if applicable; (2) the insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, or if excess, shall stand in an unbroken chain of coverage excess of the Contractor's scheduled underlying coverage. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not be called upon to contribute with it in any way; and (3) coverage shall include contractual liability and non-owned disposal sites

(E) All Coverages. If Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the City is entitled to the broader coverage and/or higher limits maintained by Contractor. Thus, any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the City.

3.2.11.5 Other Provisions; Endorsements Preferred. Contractor shall endeavor to provide endorsements regarding the following provisions, but nonetheless understands, acknowledges and agrees that the following provisions shall apply and that failure to comply shall be considered to be a breach of this Agreement by Contractor:

(A) Waiver of Subrogation – All Other Policies. Contractor hereby waives all rights of subrogation any insurer of Contractor's may acquire against the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers for losses paid under the terms of any insurance policy which arise from work or Services performed by the Contractor. Contractor understands, acknowledges and agrees that this provision is in full force and effect even if the City does not receive a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

(B) Notice. Contractor shall either: (1) require its insurer to provide thirty (30) days prior written notice to the City before coverage is suspended, voided, or canceled; or (2) notify City in writing that such notice is not available and forward any notice of such actions to the City within two (2) business days from date of receipt by Contractor. Contractor understands, acknowledges and agrees that this provision is in full force and effect even if the City does not receive a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

3.2.11.6 Claims Made Policies. The following provisions shall apply to all policies that provide coverage on a claims-made basis: (A) the retroactive date must be shown and must be before the date on which any Services under this Agreement commence; (B) the insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the Project; and (C) if coverage is canceled or not renewed and is not replaced with another claims-made policy with a retroactive date prior to the date on which any Services under this Agreement commence, Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of Project.

3.2.11.7 Separation of Insureds; No Special Limitations. All insurance required by this Section shall contain standard separation of insureds provisions. In addition, such insurance shall not contain any special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers.

3.2.11.8 Deductibles and Self-Insurance Retentions. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the City. The City may require the Contractor to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigation, claims administration and defense expenses within the deductible or self-insured retention. The deductible or self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or the City.

3.2.11.9 Acceptability of Insurers. Unless under the circumstances a different rating is otherwise acceptable to the City in its sole and absolute discretion, insurance is to be placed with insurers which are satisfactory to the City and which meet either of the following criteria : (1) an insurer with a current A.M. Best's rating no less than A-:VII and licensed as an admitted insurance carrier in California; or (2) an insurer with a current A.M. Best's rating no less than A-:X and authorized to issue the required policies in California.

3.2.11.10 Verification of Coverage. Contractor shall furnish City with original certificates of insurance and endorsements effecting coverage required by this Agreement on forms satisfactory to the City. The certificates and endorsements for each insurance policy shall be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf, and shall be



on forms provided by the City if requested. All certificates and endorsements must be received and approved by the City before work commences. The City reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, at any time.

3.2.11.11 Reporting of Claims. Contractor shall report to the City, in addition to Contractor's insurer, any and all insurance claims submitted by Contractor in connection with the Services under this Agreement.

3.2.12 Safety. Contractor shall execute and maintain its work so as to avoid injury or damage to any person or property. In carrying out its Services, the Contractor shall at all times be in compliance with all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations, and shall exercise all necessary precautions for the safety of employees appropriate to the nature of the work and the conditions under which the work is to be performed. Safety precautions as applicable shall include, but shall not be limited to: (A) adequate life protection and life saving equipment and procedures; (B) instructions in accident prevention for all employees and subconsultants, such as safe walkways, scaffolds, fall protection ladders, bridges, gang planks, confined space procedures, trenching and shoring, equipment and other safety devices, equipment and wearing apparel as are necessary or lawfully required to prevent accidents or injuries; and (C) adequate facilities for the proper inspection and maintenance of all safety measures.

3.2.13 Accounting Records. Contractor shall maintain complete and accurate records with respect to all costs and expenses incurred under this Agreement. All such records shall be clearly identifiable. Contractor shall allow a representative of City during normal business hours to examine, audit, and make transcripts or copies of such records and any other documents created pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall allow inspection of all work, data, documents, proceedings, and activities related to the Agreement for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment under this Agreement.

### **3.3 Fees and Payments.**

3.3.1 Compensation. Contractor shall receive compensation, including authorized reimbursements, for all Services rendered under this Agreement at the rates set forth in Exhibit "C" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The total compensation, including authorized reimbursements, shall not exceed One Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,800,000) without written approval of City's Representative. Extra Work may be authorized, as described below, and if authorized, will be compensated at the rates and manner set forth in this Agreement.

3.3.2 Payment of Compensation. Contractor shall submit to City a monthly itemized statement which indicates work completed and hours of Services rendered by Contractor. The statement shall describe the amount of Services and supplies provided since the initial commencement date, or since the start of the subsequent billing periods, as appropriate, through the date of the statement. City shall, within 30 days of receiving such statement, review the statement and pay all approved charges thereon.

3.3.3 Reimbursement for Expenses. Contractor shall not be reimbursed for any expenses unless authorized in writing by City.

3.3.4 Extra Work. At any time during the term of this Agreement, City may request that Contractor perform Extra Work. As used herein, “Extra Work” means any work which is determined by City to be necessary for the proper completion of the Project, but which the parties did not reasonably anticipate would be necessary at the execution of this Agreement. Contractor shall not perform, nor be compensated for, Extra Work without written authorization from City’s Representative.

3.3.5 Prevailing Wages. Contractor is aware of the requirements of Chapter 1 (beginning at Section 1720 et seq.) of Part 7 of Division 2 of the California Labor Code, as well as Title 8, Section 16000 et seq. of the California Code of Regulations (“Prevailing Wage Laws”), which require the payment of prevailing wage rates and the performance of other requirements on “public works” and “maintenance” projects. If the Services are being performed as part of an applicable “public works” or “maintenance” project, as defined by the Prevailing Wage Laws, and if the Total Compensation is \$1,000 or more, Contractor and its subcontractors shall fully comply with the Prevailing Wage Laws for their employees and any others to whom such laws are applicable. Contractor and its subcontractors shall also be responsible for any and all violations and fines imposed on them pursuant to the Prevailing Wage Laws. Pursuant to SB 854, which amended the Prevailing Wage Laws, this Agreement would also be subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations (“DIR”). Beginning April 1, 2015, no contractor or subcontractor may be awarded this Agreement unless registered with the DIR pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. The City will report all necessary agreements to the DIR as required by the Prevailing Wage Laws. Contractor shall make copies of the prevailing rates of per diem wages for each craft, classification or type of worker needed to execute the Services available to interested parties upon request, and shall post copies at the Contractor’s principal place of business and at the Project site. It is most efficient for the Contractor to obtain a copy of the prevailing wages in effect at the commencement of this Agreement from the website of the Division of Labor Statistics and Research of the DIR located at [www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/](http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/). In the alternative, Contractor may obtain a copy of the prevailing wages from the City’s Representative. Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold the City, its elected officials, officers, employees and agents free and harmless from any claim or liability arising out of any failure or alleged failure to comply with the Prevailing Wage Laws.

3.3.6 Apprenticeable Crafts. If the Services are being performed as part of an applicable “public works” or “maintenance” project, as defined by the Prevailing Wage Laws, Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 1777.5 of the California Labor Code with respect to the employment of properly registered apprentices upon public works when Contractor employs workmen in an apprenticeable craft or trade. The primary responsibility for compliance with said section for all apprenticeable occupations shall be with Contractor.

### **3.4 Termination of Agreement.**

3.4.1 Grounds for Termination. City may, by written notice to Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Agreement at any time and without cause by giving written notice to Contractor of such termination, and specifying the effective date thereof, at least seven (7) days before the effective date of such termination. Upon termination, Contractor shall be

compensated only for those Services which have been adequately rendered to City, as well as any authorized reimbursable expenses, and Contractor shall be entitled to no further compensation. Contractor may not terminate this Agreement except for cause.

3.4.2 Effect of Termination. If this Agreement is terminated as provided herein, City may require Contractor to provide all finished or unfinished Documents and Data and other information of any kind prepared by Contractor in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement. Contractor shall be required to provide such document and other information within fifteen (15) days of the request.

3.4.3 Additional Services. In the event this Agreement is terminated in whole or in part as provided herein, City may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it may determine appropriate, services similar to those terminated.

### **3.5 Disposal Records.**

3.5.1 At all times during the term of this Agreement Contractor shall maintain records of the location and method of disposal used for the Class B biosolids disposed of by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. Upon the suspension, abandonment or termination of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide to City reproducible copies of all such disposal records. In the event of a dispute regarding the amount of compensation to which the Contractor is entitled under the termination provisions of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide all disposal records to City upon payment of the undisputed amount. Contractor shall have no right to retain or fail to provide to City any such documents pending resolution of the dispute. City shall not be limited in any way in its use of the disposal records.

### **3.6 General Provisions.**

3.6.1 Delivery of Notices. All notices permitted or required under this Agreement shall be given to the respective Parties at the following address, or at such other address as the respective Parties may provide in writing for this purpose:

**Contractor:**

Synagro-WWT, Inc.  
435 Williams Court, Suite 100  
Baltimore, MD 21220  
Attn: Robert Preston

**City:**

City of Corona  
400 South Vicentia Avenue  
Corona, CA 92882  
Attn: Tom Moody

Such notice shall be deemed made when personally delivered or when mailed, forty-eight (48) hours after deposit in the U.S. Mail, first class postage prepaid and addressed to

the party at its applicable address. Actual notice shall be deemed adequate notice on the date actual notice occurred, regardless of the method of service.

3.6.2 Indemnification. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend (with counsel of City's choosing), indemnify and hold the City, its directors, officials, officers, employees, volunteers and agents free and harmless from any and all claims, demands, causes of action, costs, expenses, liability, loss, damage or injury of any kind, in law or equity, to property or persons, including wrongful death, to the extent arising out of, pertaining to, or incident to any alleged willful misconduct or negligent acts, errors or omissions of Contractor, its officials, officers, employees, subcontractors, consultants or agents in connection with the performance of the Contractor's Services, the Project or this Agreement, including without limitation the payment of all settlement amounts, expert witness fees and attorneys fees and other related costs and expenses. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent Contractor's Services are subject to Civil Code Section 2782.8, the above indemnity shall be limited, to the extent required by Civil Code Section 2782.8, to claims that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the Contractor. Contractor's obligation to indemnify shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement, and shall not be restricted to insurance proceeds, if any, received by the City, its directors, officials officers, employees, agents, or volunteers.

3.6.3 Governing Law; Government Code Claim Compliance. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Venue shall be in Riverside County. In addition to any and all contract requirements pertaining to notices of and requests for compensation or payment for extra work, disputed work, claims and/or changed conditions, Contractor must comply with the claim procedures set forth in Government Code sections 900 et seq. prior to filing any lawsuit against the City. Such Government Code claims and any subsequent lawsuit based upon the Government Code claims shall be limited to those matters that remain unresolved after all procedures pertaining to extra work, disputed work, claims, and/or changed conditions have been followed by Contractor. If no such Government Code claim is submitted, or if any prerequisite contractual requirements are not otherwise satisfied as specified herein, Contractor shall be barred from bringing and maintaining a valid lawsuit against the City.

3.6.4 Time of Essence. Time is of the essence for each and every provision of this Agreement.

3.6.5 City's Right to Employ Other Contractors. City reserves right to employ other contractors for the removal, transportation, and disposal of biosolids.

3.6.6 Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding on the successors and assigns of the parties.

3.6.6.1 Subcontractors; Assignment or Transfer. Contractor shall not subcontract any portion of the Services required under this Agreement, except as expressly authorized herein, without the prior written approval of the City. Subcontracts, if any, shall include a provision making them subject to all provisions of this Agreement. Contractor shall also not assign, hypothecate or transfer, either directly or by operation of law, this Agreement or any interest herein without the prior written consent of the City. Any attempt to subcontract or take

any other action not authorized herein shall be null and void, and any subcontractors, assignees, hypothecates or transferees shall acquire no right or interest by reason of such action.

3.6.6.2 Corona Utility Authority. To the extent that this Agreement is deemed to be a "material contract" under either of the CUA Management Agreements, Contractor has no right to terminate this Agreement, either with or without cause, based upon the existence or non-existence of either or both of the CUA Management Agreements. Therefore, if an applicable CUA Management Agreement expires or terminates for any reason, Contractor shall remain fully obligated to perform under this Agreement with the CUA or another third party contracted by the CUA for the maintenance, management and operation of the applicable utility system.

3.6.7 Construction; References; Captions. Since the Parties or their agents have participated fully in the preparation of this Agreement, the language of this Agreement shall be construed simply, according to its fair meaning, and not strictly for or against any Party. Any term referencing time, days or period for performance shall be deemed calendar days and not work days. All references to Contractor include all personnel, employees, agents, and subconsultants of Contractor, except as otherwise specified in this Agreement. All references to City include its elected officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers except as otherwise specified in this Agreement. The captions of the various articles and paragraphs are for convenience and ease of reference only, and do not define, limit, augment, or describe the scope, content or intent of this Agreement.

3.6.8 Amendment; Modification. No supplement, modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing and signed by both Parties.

3.6.9 Waiver. No waiver of any default shall constitute a waiver of any other default or breach, whether of the same or other covenant or condition. No waiver, benefit, privilege, or service voluntarily given or performed by a Party shall give the other Party any contractual rights by custom, estoppel or otherwise.

3.6.10 No Third Party Beneficiaries. Except to the extent expressly provided for in Section 3.6.7, there are no intended third party beneficiaries of any right or obligation assumed by the Parties.

3.6.11 Invalidity; Severability. If any portion of this Agreement is declared invalid, illegal, or otherwise unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

3.6.12 Prohibited Interests. Contractor maintains and warrants that it has not employed nor retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Contractor, to solicit or secure this Agreement. Further, Contractor warrants that it has not paid nor has it agreed to pay any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Contractor, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. Contractor further agrees to file, or shall cause its employees or subconsultants to file, a Statement of Economic

Interest with the City's Filing Officer as required under state law in the performance of the Services. For breach or violation of this warranty, City shall have the right to rescind this Agreement without liability. For the term of this Agreement, no member, officer or employee of City, during the term of his or her service with City, shall have any direct interest in this Agreement, or obtain any present or anticipated material benefit arising therefrom.

3.6.13 Cooperation; Further Acts. The Parties shall fully cooperate with one another, and shall take any additional acts or sign any additional documents as may be necessary, appropriate or convenient to attain the purposes of this Agreement.

3.6.14 Attorney's Fees. If either party commences an action against the other party, either legal, administrative or otherwise, arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, the prevailing party in such litigation shall be entitled to have and recover from the losing party reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of such action.

3.6.15 Authority to Enter Agreement. Contractor has all requisite power and authority to conduct its business and to execute, deliver, and perform the Agreement. Each Party warrants that the individuals who have signed this Agreement have the legal power, right, and authority to make this Agreement and bind each respective Party.

3.6.16 Counterparts. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original.

3.6.17 Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire Agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior negotiations, understandings or agreements. This Agreement may only be modified by a writing signed by both parties.


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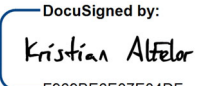
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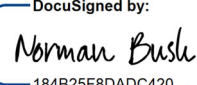
**CITY OF CORONA  
AGREEMENT FOR REMOVAL, TRANSPORTATION, AND DISPOSAL  
OF CLASS B BIOSOLIDS**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have entered into this Agreement as of the date first written above.

**CITY OF CORONA**

By:   
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Tom Moody  
General Manager

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Purchasing Manager

*Attest:*

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Sylvia Edwards  
City Clerk

**CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE PAGE**

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**SYNAGRO-WWT, INC.  
a Maryland Corporation**

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*Robert Preston*  
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CEO

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VP and Treasurer

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## **EXHIBIT “A” SCOPE OF SERVICES**

### **A. Background:**

The City of Corona (City) is in need of a Contractor to manage the end use of its water reclamation biosolid products generated at Water Reclamation Facility #1 (WRF-1). The end use management of biosolids includes the following, but not limited to collecting, transporting, composting, recycling and/or disposal. All actions and activities must comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

The City generates Class A Exceptional Quality (EQ) and Class B (wet) biosolids. Class B biosolids are dewatered to approximately 18% total solids. Biosolids are temporarily stored in a covered storage hopper or in uncovered beds prior to removal. WRF-1 generates 80 to 100 wet tons of Class B biosolids per day and approximately 15,000 wet tons of biosolids per year.

To create Class A EQ biosolids, the treatment process for Class B biosolids continues through the biosolids dryer. The dryer is currently inactive and is in the process of being repaired and upgraded. The dryer is expected to be operational in FY 2023.

### **Schedule of Operation**

All biosolids will be removed from WRF-1 at the following address:

Water Reclamation Facility #1 (WRF-1)  
2201 Railroad St.  
Corona, CA 92880

Biosolids shall be removed from WRF-1 an average of (3) times per day, Monday through Sunday, year-round. Total loads per week range from 15 – 24 loads. Contractor access to WRF-1 will be available 24 hours per day.

### **Equipment and Transportation**

For each trip to WRF-1, the Contractor shall drop off an empty trailer at a designated area. The empty trailer shall be safely parked, and wheels secured with wheel chocks. The Contractor shall then connect and remove a pre-loaded biosolids trailer offsite to an approved location.

Transport vehicles shall be the type(s) approved for this application by the City. General requirements for vehicles hauling biosolids are that the hauler is licensed to transport special waste, that the vehicles have watertight bodies, and that they are properly equipped and fitted with seals to prohibit spillage or drainage. The Contractor's equipment for transport shall be compatible with the WRF-1 loading area. Equipment shall be maintained in a condition acceptable to the City.

The loading and transport vehicles shall be cleaned as often as necessary to prevent the deposit of biosolids on the exterior of the vehicle or on the roadways. This cleaning shall include, but is not limited to external surfaces, wheels, and undercarriages. Cleaning of the loading area shall be done at least at the end of every business day.

Vehicles shall be loaded within all legal weight limits. It shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor and their drivers to monitor the load of each truck to ensure a legal weight. The City reserves the right to bar any driver who disregards the above requirements.

All haul routes to any permitted disposal, recycling, composting site in any jurisdiction shall be determined in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, permits, rules, and regulations ("Laws"). Said Laws shall be strictly adhered to by the Contractors and his employees, agents, and Subcontractors.

The Contractor shall transport biosolids in accordance with Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 503. Any violation of environmental regulations, weight regulations, or traffic laws shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor, who shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the City from any penalty or sanction, civil, or criminal, imposed by reason of any such violation of environmental regulations, weight regulations, or traffic laws.

The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all drivers and vehicles hauling biosolids from WRF-1 are in compliance with current and future applicable California Air Resource Board (CARB) regulations and South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) regulations. Cost of compliance with these regulations shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

Subsequent to the awarding of the contract, but prior to the first removal of biosolids from WRF-1, the Contractor shall meet with the City to be instructed in the proper procedures for the staging of trucks, weighing of empty trucks, loading of trucks, and weighing of full trucks. It is the responsibility of the contractor to ensure that all truck drivers follow the procedures detailed by the City.

### **Determination of Quantity Removed**

The quantity of biosolids loaded on a vehicle will be recorded as mutually agreed upon by the City and the Contractor. The Contractor shall provide the City a copy of a load sheet for each vehicle used for disposal which details at least the following information:

- date of removal
- truck number
- driver name
- each time truck left WRF-1
- each weight of full truck

- each weight of empty truck
- weight and type of biosolids removed

### **Spills and Clean-Up**

The Contractor shall keep their hauling route, equipment, and work area neat and clean, and shall bear all responsibility for the cleanup of any spill which occurs during the transportation of biosolids. The Contractor shall notify the City immediately should any spill occur.

The clean-up of any biosolids which are dumped, spilled, or discarded in any location other than the site authorized for that purpose shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor and conducted by the Contractor, or at their expense, in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

### **WRF-1 Permit**

The City has a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued by the SWRCB. Biosolids management requirements of the permit refer 40 CFR, Part 503.

### **Biosolids Removal**

WRF-1 has a biosolids hopper that has a maximum capacity of 2.5 tons and an additional eight (8) uncovered beds for the temporary storage. An aerial view of the biosolids storage facilities at the WRF-1 is shown in Figure 1.

The Contractor must remove biosolids at the direction of the City. The City may direct that:

- Biosolid spills on roadways or loading area be cleaned.
- Generally, unless conditions are unorganized, the City will seek to have as much of the biosolids removed as possible.

### **Land Application**

It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to obtain the necessary permits for all sites receiving biosolids for land application, any off-site interim storage facilities, recycling, and composting facilities. Prior to commencing any work, the contractor shall obtain and furnish the City copies of all the necessary approvals and permits required by all government units and regulatory agencies for the transportation and land application of biosolids.

### **Alternate Disposal Option**

Should it be necessary for the Contractor to apply an alternate disposal option (such as landfilling) the Contractor shall supply the City with the following information:

- The dates in which biosolids were removed from the City.

- The total number of loads removed from the City for each day that biosolids removal occurred.
- The total wet tons of each load.
- The alternate disposal method.

This information shall be supplied to the City within 1 month (30 days) of utilizing the alternate disposal option. No additional payment will be made for utilizing an alternate disposal option.

### **Payment**

Payment shall be made on the basis of actual wet tons hauled. The Contractor shall submit invoices to the City on a monthly basis for the previous calendar month's activity. The invoices shall show the number of wet tons hauled from WRF-1 for the given month. Each invoice shall be accompanied by a current waiver of lien including an affidavit disclosing any subcontractors to be paid and corresponding lien waivers all in a form as approved by the City. The invoices will be subjected to verification and approval by the City and in the event that no discrepancies exist, will be paid within thirty (30) days of approval of the submitted invoices and waiver of liens.

**EXHIBIT “B”**  
**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Biosolids shall be removed from WRF-1 an average of (3) times per day, Monday through Sunday, year-round. Total loads per week range from 15 – 24 loads. Contractor access to WRF-1 will be available 24 hours per day.

## **EXHIBIT “C” COMPENSATION**

Contractor shall receive compensation, including authorized reimbursements, for all Services rendered under this Agreement at the rates set forth in this exhibit

### **Class B Biosolids Product**

Price Per Wet Ton - \$63.00

Should Synagro experience a need to divert 45% or greater of the annual tonnage produced by the City to Nursery Products, Synagro would offer a 5% discount to the stated pricing for this tonnage.

### **CPI. All Agreement Prices shall be adjusted as follows:**

All Agreement Prices shall be adjusted annually beginning on July 1, 2022, based on the Negotiated price adjustments will be made in accordance with and shall not exceed the percentage of change in the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index “All Urban Consumers for Riverside, California, Area (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, for the most recent twelve (12) months for which statistics are available. This method of price adjustment shall apply to each extension period exercised. Option years shall become effective only upon issuance by the City of a duly authorized Purchase Order.

Fuel Surcharge Increase Formula: Distance Multiplier [\_\_\_\_\_] X (EIA fuel cost per Gallon [\$\_\_\_\_\_] – Base Fuel Price [\$\_\_\_\_\_] X Tons of Biosolids Managed