



**Justification for Emergency Procurement  
Fredericksburg City Code § 2-361(E)**

Department: Public Works

What is being procured: Services to stabilize and restore the failed slope (i.e., bank of the Rappahannock River) adjacent to the Rappahannock River Heritage Trail in the 400 block of Riverside Drive

Why emergency procurement is appropriate here:

- A dangerous condition has developed.
- Unforeseen circumstances are causing curtailment or diminution of an essential service.
- These materials/services are needed to prevent loss of life or property.

Explanation/background:

On or about June 27, 2015, the slope between the Rappahannock River Heritage Trail and the Rappahannock River, in the 400 block of Riverside Drive, failed, apparently due to heavy rain and associated saturation of the soil on the slope. The slope failure has resulted in the trail being detoured, for safety reasons, away from the area of the slope failure until stabilization and restoration can be performed.

Prompt stabilization/repair is required to prevent further failure of the slope. This would potentially undermine and thus threaten the integrity not only of the trail but also, eventually, Riverside Drive.

Selected contractor: Geo-Stabilization International  
Grand Junction, Colorado (Corporate Office)

Contract amount: \$129,510

Justification for selection of this contractor: This firm specializes in stabilization and restoration of slope failures of this type and has a reputation for successful completion of these types of projects.

By: Doug Fawcett,  
Director of Public Works

Date: August 5, 2015

Approved:

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