Calling for an audit

EDITOR: Much to the dismay of the masses of residents observing Sonoma County's mismanagement of the specific plan and environmental impact report for the Sonoma Developmental Center property, the contract for the court-ordered revision of the EIR was awarded to a sole source contractor ("Rebuked by judge, firm gets a doover," May 11). Judge Bradley DeMeo thrashed the work of Dyett and Bhatia when he ordered an upgrade to their original EIR. In the government world of contracts and purchasing, a sole source contract is only awarded when there is proof there are no other companies that can match the sole source. Permit Sonoma director Tennis Wick cited Dyett and Bhatia, whose work was maligned by DeMeo, as the only contractor that could produce such a revised document. I beg to differ and challenge that an objective third party audit be done to demonstrate there are indeed no others that could produce an EIR.

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