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Qualifications of Nicholas Construction

PRESENTATION

THE PURPOSE OF THIS BROCHURE IS TO ESTABLISH THE QUALIFICATIONS OF NICHOLAS CONSTRUCTION FOR THE EXECUTION OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FOR BOTH PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES.

NICHOLAS CONSTRUCTION PRESENTS ITS RECORD FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING CONTRACTS BY COMPETITIVE BID, NEGOTIATED, OR DESIGN-BUILD METHODS.

SPECIALISTS IN

- Large and small water transmission pipelines of all material types
- Water and sewer treatment plants
- Excavation and shoring
- Tunneling
- Water well site development and completions
- Irrigation system installations
- Concrete canal structures and liners of all types
- Booster pump stations
- Reservoirs earthen and above grade
- Levees and Riprap
- Tank Sites and Surge Control Systems

29 Years of Construction Experience



ORIGIN OF THE CORPORATION

Nicholas Construction Incorporated (843461), a California Corporation headquartered in Shafter, was organized in 2004 by Nicholas John Silicz as the development of a family-managed construction business dating back to 1987.

In 1987, Nicholas J Silicz established Nicholas Construction (676951) with focus on commercial, water, and sewer installations around the Kern River Valley. A few years later, Nick decided he could find steady and more profitable work by traveling to Bakersfield and the surrounding areas.

For many years, environmental cleanups were profitable, removing underground fuel tanks throughout California. Competition drove prices down and the decision was made to venture into public works. In 1995, the company was low bid on a \$500,000 municipal water project for the Cuyama Community Services District in Santa Barbara County. Along with two laborers and the help of his sons, Alex and Jacob, bolting fittings together on a flatbed trailer on the weekends, the project was the beginning of a successful company.

After graduating from college in 1999, Alex Silicz came home to help bid and manage projects. Sons, Jacob and Justy Silicz, came on full time within the next couple years. The company is focused on safe, yearly growth by venturing into more complex and larger projects.



SPECIALTY INSURANCE SERVICES

May 25, 2016

Nicholas Construction, Inc.
251 Carsen Way
Shafter, CA 93263

Re: Experience Modification Rate

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that Nicholas Construction, Inc. has placed their Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage through our agency for several years. Below is their current and historical experience modification rating, as issued by the WCRIB:

<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Mod</u>
03/01/2016	.74
03/01/2015	.74
03/01/2014	.78
03/01/2013	.76
03/01/2012	1.34

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Nicole M. Stopfer
Nicole M. Stopfer
Captive Dept.

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VALLEY REPUBLIC BANK

April 26, 2016

To whom it may concern,

Nicholas Silicz and his company Nicholas Construction, Inc. have been customers of Valley Republic Bank since the establishment of the bank in 2009. Nonetheless, prior to that relationship, I have known Mr. Silicz since 1987, as he had a banking relationship with my previous employer. Since 2009, the company has transitioned their banking relationship to Valley Republic Bank.

Through this continuous relationship, I have witnessed his company's growth. This growth can be attributed to its strong management team which is composed of Mr. Silicz, his sons and other members. These individuals have been highly involved and persistent in making the best decisions for the company's long term success. Accordingly, his sons have increasingly taken integral roles in making the business successful and continuing the prestige that Mr. Silicz earned.

Valley Republic Bank has provided Nicholas Construction, Inc. a line of credit for bonding purposes for several years now, and lines of credit for special projects. All of these have been handled as agreed and have successfully met all the terms. Nicholas Construction, Inc. has maintained great financial condition and I look forward to doing further business with them for years to come.

Sincerely,

Philip M. McLaughlin

Executive Vice President

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April 28, 2016

To Whom it May Concern:

Re: Nicholas Construction, Inc.

CNA Surety and Western Surety Company have been privileged to handle all of the bonding needs of Nicholas Construction, Inc. for over 13 years. We have approved projects in excess of \$10,000,000 and aggregate work programs of \$20,000,000. Over our history with Nicholas, they have successfully completed bonded projects totaling over Fifty Million dollars in aggregate.

Nicholas Construction, Inc. has undertaken complex engineering projects specializing in treatment and transmission projects for irrigation, potable, storm and waste water. Nicholas has successfully completed projects for numerous State and local water districts in California. Accordingly, we regard Nicholas to be one of the most well respected general engineering contractors in the region with highly skilled personnel.

Nicholas Construction, Inc. continues to maintain an excellent financial condition. We greatly value our long term relationship with this fine organization and are prepared to bond projects that they wish to undertake. This would contingent upon our satisfaction with the contract documents and Nicholas Construction, Inc. continuing to satisfy other underwriting considerations.

Name of Bonding Company/Surety

Western Surety Company is an admitted surety (approved by the California Department of Insurance) and authorized to issue surety bonds in the State of California. Western Surety Company is rated "A XIII" by A.M. Best and is an approved surety on Federal Bonds under title 31 of the United States Code per U.S. Treasury Circular 570 effective, July 1, 2015.

Name of Surety Agent

Wells Fargo Insurance Services USA, Inc.
10940 White Rock Road- 2nd Floor
Rancho Cordova, Ca 95670
Attention: Thomas R. Hucik 916-589-8036

Sincerely Yours,

James E. Reuter
Underwriting Director

EXPERIENCE AS CONTRACTORS

Nicholas Construction's successful completion on time of major projects for all of our project owners indicates thorough knowledge, based upon experience and ingenuity of our team. Even more, it shows an ability to cooperate smoothly with all concerned, from the contracting agency to the tradesmen on site. The company's commitment to safety, familiarity of the area, sources of materials, labor and climatic conditions enable the company and projects to be a success.

The corporation relies upon the concentrated knowledge of business specialists in addition to technical experts. Competent consulting engineering firms are engaged for advice on major design and special problems. **There has never been a contract not finished.**

The company relies on the best available technology from estimating to project documentation to project closeout. An accurate record will be kept for the next generation of engineers and constructors.

From inception to completion of a project, Nicholas Construction places appropriate emphasis on master planning as a significant element in successful and rapid completion of the project. The value of this method becomes evident upon examination of the great variety of incidental problems which must be foreseen and solved before work can start. Plans must be made for good organization and work flow, from safety and environmental, to shoring and cofferdams.

During the past 15-years, the company has been associated in the performance of government and private contracts valued at **over \$100,000,000.**



INSURANCE AND SAFETY

The company has access to all forms of insurance policies in unlimited amounts due to Nicholas's ability to control risk to ensure low loss rate and commitment to safety. A safe jobsite is a productive jobsite. Nicholas construction's experience modification rate is .75, well below the national average. **A low EMR** is simply a product of smart planning to keep our crews safe.



STATEMENT OF CONTRACTS

STATEMENTS OF SIGNIFICANT CONTRACTS

Northern Area Pipeline for Buena Vista Water Storage District 2015 63,000-Lf of 54" and 42" hdpe pipe, farmer turnouts, freeway crossing, air/vacs, man-ways	\$20,019,456.00
Eastside Water Banking Facilities for Antelope Valley-East Kern Water 2015 40-Acres of water settling ponds with concrete lining, 4ea. Vertical turbine well sites, vertical turbine booster station, welded steel tank reservoir, chlorine injection system, electrical and instrumentation	\$8,338,296.00
Cross Valley Canal/Calloway Canal Intertie 2014 Double-barrel 120" rcp tunnel underneath the bnsf railroad, track monitoring program, soil stabilization program, beam and plate shoring and lagging, high pressure gas line crossings, canal lining.	\$3,942,320.00
Well Recovery Pipelines for Antelope Valley-East Kern Water 2013 Install approx. 18,000-Lf of 30" down to 8" steel water transmission pipeline connecting water well sites together for transmission to 4mg steel reservoir - Neenach, CA	\$3,027,555.00
Transmission Pipeline for Antelope Valley-East Kern Water 2012 Install approx. 30,000-Lf of 48" steel water transmission pipeline, turnouts, tie-ins, air/vacs, manways, traffic control, road reconstruction - Neenach, CA	\$8,898,281.00
Bear Trap Turnout Structure for DWR 2011 Shutdown of the world famous edmunston pumping plant, install 2,500-Lf of steel pipeline, 30-foot deep concrete valve vault construction, ultra-sonic meter installation and vault, solar power system, integration into dwr communication system, electrical and instrumentation	\$2,767,699.00
10th Street Pipeline and Turnouts for Antelope Valley-East Kern Water 2011 Installation of 6,500-Lf of 30" steel pipeline, two pressure reducing turnout facilities with block buildings, road reconstruction, traffic control, electrical and instrumentation - Lancaster, CA	\$3,685,041.00
Central Coast Aquaduct Encasement for DWR 2011 Excavation of 65" steel pipeline, depths to 20', formed and poured concrete encasement for future hwy 46 widening project. Concrete could not be more than 70-degree f.- Blackwells Corner, CA	\$1,779,754.00

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Well No.4 Filtration for Ventura County Waterworks 2009 300-Hp vertical turbine pump and motor, 125-hp vertical turbine booster system, iron-manganese treatment vessels, chlorine injections system, backwash system, electrical and instrumentation - Moorpark, CA	\$1,798,361.00
Palmdale Ditch Enclosure for Palmdale Water Agency 2009 Approx 6,500-Lf of 48" reinforced concrete pipe, manholes, meter structure, 50,000-cy of import cover material - Palmdale, CA	\$1,945,125.00
Willow Pond Treatment Facility for Vaughn Water Company 2008 600-Hp vertical turbine pump and motor, oxygen scrubber injection system, chlorine injection system, 4ea. Granulated activated carbon filter vessels, sitework, electrical and instrumentation - Bakersfield, CA	\$1,052,559.00
East Pipeline for Kern Co Water Agency 2008 Approx. 5,500-Lf of 30" cement mortar lined and coated steel pipe, tie-ins, road reconstruction, traffic control - Bakersfield, CA	\$1,314,966.00
Friant Kern Canal/Arvin Edison Canal Intertie for Kern Co Water Agency 2008 Construct 72" double-barrel turnout structure with canal gates, 72"x96" junction structure, ultrasonic meter vault, and approx. 900-Lf of 96" reinforced concrete pipe - Bakersfield, CA	\$3,106,030.00
Concrete Culvert Improvements for Ventura County 2007 Concrete box culvert, active stream and storm channel, road reconstruction, traffic control, extensive dewatering - Thousand Oaks, CA	\$1,540,798.00
Sewer Effluent Delivery Pipeline for City of Porterville 2007 Approx. 11,000Lf of 24" pvc sewer transmission pipeline, 40-acres of settling ponds, concrete distribution structures, farmer turnouts - Porterville, CA	\$1,362,327.00
Allen Rd. Sewer Project for City of Bakersfield 2007 Approx. 12,000Lf of 18" and 24" pvc sewer transmission pipeline, five auger bores, liftstation reconstruction, sandy conditions, traffic control, and paving - Bakersfield, CA	\$2,366,633.00

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