

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND INTENT TO ADOPT A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AND MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW FOR LOCAL AGENCIES PROVIDING WATER, WASTEWATER, RECYCLED WATER, AND STORMWATER SERVICES

Project Summary. A Sphere of Influence (SOI) is defined by Government Code 56425 as "...a plan for the probable physical boundary and service area of a local agency or municipality..." The Sphere of Influence Update and Municipal Service Review for the Water, Wastewater, Recycled Water, and Stormwater Agencies identify the areas where future annexations might be considered and evaluated. The Agencies included in this Sphere of Influence and Municipal Services Review Update are; the Carpinteria Sanitary, Goleta Sanitary, Goleta West Sanitary, Laguna County Sanitation, Montecito Sanitary, Summerland Sanitary Districts, Embarcadero Municipal Improvement District, Carpinteria Valley Water, Cuyama Basin Water, Goleta Water, Montecito Water, San Antonio Basin Water Districts, Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation, Santa Ynez River Water Conservation, Santa Ynez River Water Conservation Improvement District No. 1 Districts, Santa Barbara County Water Agency, Santa Barbara County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, County Service Area 12 (Mission Canyon Sewer), and Casmalia, Cuyama, Los Alamos, Los Olivos, Mission Hills, Santa Ynez, Vandenberg Village Community Services Districts. In addition, the Cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Goleta, Guadalupe, Lompoc, Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, and Solvang are included. The Municipal Service Reviews evaluate the jurisdiction's capabilities to serve existing and future residents and is the basis for Sphere of Influence decisions. The SOI for the Cuyama Basin Water District, San Antonio Basin Water District, Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation District, Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District Improvement District No. 1, Santa Barbara County Water Agency, Santa Barbara County Flood Control & Water Conservation, County Service Area 12 (Mission Canyon Sewer District), Casmalia Community Services District, Los Olivos Community Services District, and Vandenberg Village Community Services District will not change from the existing SOI. The Sphere of Influence for the Carpinteria Sanitary District, Goleta Sanitary District, Laguna County Sanitation District, Montecito Sanitary District, Summerland Sanitary District, Goleta Water District, Montecito Water District, and Carpinteria Valley Water District are recommended to expand areas.

Public Review Period. Runs through March 6, 2023 to May 3, 2023. Comments are due by 5:00 pm on Wednesday May 3rd. Sent to: Santa Barbara LAFCO, 105 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara CA 93101 or by email at lafco@sb Lafco.org, Attention Mike Prater. Any additional comments can be made at the hearing.

Public Hearing. A public hearing will be scheduled for Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room at 105 E. Anapamu St., Santa Barbara, CA. 93101.

Environmental Determination. It has been determined that this project is exempt from CEQA because it either will not have any potentially significant environmental impacts pursuant to section 15061(b)(3), 15301, 15319, and 15320 of the State Guidelines with some changes to existing SOIs are proposed.

Disclosure of Campaign Contributions – LAFCO Commissioners are disqualified and are not able to participate in proceedings involving an “entitlement for use” if, within the 12 months preceding the LAFCO decision, the Commissioner received more than \$250 in campaign contributions from the applicant, an agent of the applicant or a financially interested person who actively supports or opposes the LAFCO decision on this matter.

Persons participating in this proceeding who have made such contributions are required to disclose that fact for the official record of the proceedings. Disclosures must include the amount of the contribution and the recipient Commissioner and may be made either in writing to the Executive Officer of the Commission prior to the hearing or by an oral declaration at the time of the hearing. The foregoing requirements are set forth in the Political Reform Act of 1974, specifically in Government Code section 84308.

Additional Information. – The following documents are available for review: Sphere of Influence Update and Municipal Service Review for Water, Wastewater, Recycled Water, and Stormwater Services. These documents can be downloaded from our website at www.sblafco.org at no cost, or may be viewed at the LAFCO office. Additional information regarding items to be considered at the meeting may be obtained by contacting the LAFCO office at 105 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara CA 93101 or by calling 805-568-3391. The agenda and staff report for the hearing will be available at the LAFCO website at www.sblafco.org. 5 days before the hearing.

Contact. Mike Prater, Executive Officer, (805) 568-3391 or lafco@sblafco.org.

Dated this 7th day of March 2023.

Mike Prater, Executive Officer
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