

# EL DORADO LAFCO

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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## *AGENDA OF OCTOBER 26, 2011*

### *REGULAR MEETING*

**TO:** Ron Briggs, Chair, and  
Members of the El Dorado County Local Agency Formation  
Commission

**FROM:** José C. Henríquez, Executive Officer

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**AGENDA ITEM #5:** PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL  
REVIEW, MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW AND SPHERE OF  
INFLUENCE UPDATE FOR THE GEORGETOWN DIVIDE  
RECREATION DISTRICT

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Commission:

1. Receive and discuss the information related to the municipal services review and sphere of influence update for Georgetown Divide Recreation District;
2. Open the public hearing on this matter;
3. Accept statutory exemption §15061(b)(3) from environmental review as the appropriate environmental review;
4. Adopt Resolution L-2011-11, adopting the municipal service review and sphere of influence update for the Georgetown Divide Recreation District; and
5. Direct staff to complete the necessary filings and transmittals as required by law.

### **REASON FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The municipal service review (MSR) is required by State Law to serve as a guidance document for any future boundary changes to the Georgetown Divide Recreation District (GDRD). State Law also requires that a MSR for an agency be performed before the Commission can update a sphere of influence (SOI). The Commission opened the public comment period on the Draft MSR/SOI at the August 24, 2011 Commission meeting; however, no comments were received from the GDRD Board or the public. The Final MSR and affirmation of the current SOI is now returned to the Commission for final adoption.

**BACKGROUND**

MSRs are required by state law to serve as a guidance document for future boundary changes and as a precursor to SOI updates. This MSR analyzes GDRD's ability to provide existing and future residents with park and recreation services and will assist the Commission and its staff when considering actions that will affect GDRD.

The MSR was prepared to meet the requirements and standards of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH). The fundamental role of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is to implement the CKH Act (found in Government Code §56000, et seq.), consistent with local conditions and circumstances. LAFCO's decisions are guided by the CKH Act.

The service review was prepared using the Service Review Guidelines prepared by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research. Specifically, the MSR provided agency analysis based upon the following six factors of analysis contained in the guidelines:

1. Growth and population projections for the affected area.
2. Present and planned capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services, including infrastructure needs or deficiencies.
3. Financial ability of agencies to provide services.
4. Status of, and opportunities for, shared facilities.
5. Accountability for community service needs, including governmental structure and operational efficiencies.
6. The potential effect of agency services on agricultural and open space lands.

Throughout the analysis portions of the report, LAFCO staff did not identify any substantial areas for improvement or current issues faced by the agency that needed to be addressed or resolved as a part of this MSR. The MSR did note, however, that the Coloma/Lotus community remains outside of the District's current service boundaries; however, it was added to the District's sphere of influence in 2008. While the District encompasses most of the communities of the Divide, its service area does not extend to the Coloma/Lotus area even though those residents often utilize the District's facilities. The District's Board of Directors has expressed an interest in annexing the Coloma/Lotus community so that the District can encompass all Divide residents; however, no timeline has been identified for this project.

Based upon the information contained in this report, it is recommended that no changes be made to the Georgetown Divide Recreation District sphere of influence at this time and that the Commission reaffirm the current SOI, which was last updated in February 2008.

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Final GDRD MSR/SOI Update (LAFCO Project No. 2011-02)

Attachment B: Resolution L-2011-11

Attachment B, Exhibit A: GDRD SOI Map