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LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

AGENDA OF JANUARY 30, 2008

REGULAR MEETING

TO: Ted Long, Chairman, and

Members of the El Dorado County Local Agency Formation

Commission

FROM: José C. Henríquez, Executive Officer

AGENDA ITEM #9: PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND UPDATES TO THE SPHERES OF INFLUENCE FOR FIVE AGENCIES

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission:

- 1. Receive and discuss the information related to the update of the spheres of influence (SOIs) for five agencies (refer to pages 2 and 3);
- 2. Open the public hearing on this matter;
- 3. Accept the statutory exemption from environmental review as the appropriate environmental review;
- 4. Adopt the updates to the spheres of influence for these six agencies; and
- 5. Direct staff to complete the necessary filings and transmittals as required by law.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION

State Law requires that the Commission update the spheres of influence for all agencies within El Dorado County by January 1, 2008. State Law also requires that a municipal service review for an agency be performed before the Commission can update a sphere of influence. In December 5, 2007, the Commission adopted the "Streets and Highway" and "General Government Services II" Municipal Services Reviews and on January 30, 2008 the Commission adopted the "Water, Wastewater and Power Municipal Services Review." Also on January 30, 2008, the Commission received the "General Government Services I Municipal Services Review." These reports serve as the foundation for the sphere updates.

BACKGROUND

The agencies considered in this item were authorized to provide more than one service; however, subsequent reviews of their service provision reveals that they are de facto single-purpose agencies. For example, Cameron Estates CSD is authorized to provide road maintenance services; water service; fire suppression; contracts, covenants and restrictions administration; law enforcement and parks and recreation services. However, the Water, Wastewater and Power and General Government Services (GGS) I and II MSRs found that Cameron Estates is not currently providing the latter five services. Consequently, its only active power is road maintenance and the rest are to be designated as "latent."

Based on the findings of the adopted MSRs and the recently-completed GGS I MSR, staff finds that the following agencies are ready to have their spheres updated, even though GGS I has not been adopted. While Government Code §56430 indicates that a sphere may not be adopted until the completion of a service review, as noted above, the agencies considered in this item are not actively providing the services reviewed in that study. Therefore, GGS I is not relevant for purposes of determining the SOIs for these agencies. Based upon the findings of the respective MSRs, staff recommends that the Commission designate the respective spheres of each agency and designate latent powers of each agency where appropriate.

The actions to be taken, in summary:

Arroyo Vista CSD

- Action: Affirm current sphere to be coterminous with service boundaries; designate latent powers
- Active powers: Road maintenance services
- Latent powers: Parks and recreation services

Cameron Estates CSD

- Action: Affirm current sphere to be coterminous with service boundaries; designate latent powers
- Active powers: Road maintenance services
- Latent powers: Contracts, covenants and restrictions administration; fire suppression; law enforcement; parks and recreation services; water services

County Service Area #2

- Action: Affirm current sphere to be coterminous with service boundaries
- Active powers: Road maintenance services
- Authorized but currently not utilized powers: Drainage services

Lakeview CSD

- Action: Adjust sphere to include only parcels whose landowners use the district's road network to access their property
- Active powers: Road maintenance services
- Latent powers: Drainage services; law enforcement; lighting and landscaping services

South Tahoe PUD

- Action: Affirm current sphere, which allows for expansion to infill two service area "holes"
- Active powers: Water and wastewater services; lighting and landscaping (assessment only)
- Authorized but currently not utilized powers: Fire suppression; parks and recreation services

In determining the sphere of influence for each local agency, Government Code §56425(e) requires the Commission to consider and prepare a written statement of determinations with respect to four factors. In addition, LAFCO Policy 4.4 requires the Commission to review certain topics before making sphere of influence determinations. The agency profiles of these twelve agencies, review of the Policy 4.4 topics and the §56425(e) determinations, maps and draft resolution are included in Attachments A through F. Each attachment has three parts: The agency profile and determinations, the draft resolution and the map with recommended SOI.

Attachments

Attachment A1: Arroyo Vista CSD SOI Memo
Attachment A2: Arroyo Vista CSD SOI Resolution
Attachment B1: Cameron Estates CSD SOI Memo
Attachment B2: Cameron Estates CSD SOI Resolution
Attachment C1: County Service Area #2 SOI Memo
Attachment C2: County Service Area #2 Resolution

Attachment D1: Lakeview CSD SOI Memo
Attachment D2: Lakeview CSD SOI Resolution
Attachment E1: South Tahoe PUD SOI Resolution
Attachment E2: South Tahoe PUD SOI Resolution