
**FRESNO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCo)
EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM No. 10

DATE: September 12, 2007

TO: Fresno Local Agency Formation Commission

**FROM: Rick Ballantyne, Executive Officer
Darrel Schmidt, Deputy Executive Officer**

SUBJECT: Consider Adoption – Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Update Prepared for the Consolidated Irrigation District (Continued from July 11, 2007).

Summary / Background

On July 11, 2007, the MSR and SOI Update prepared for the Consolidated Irrigation District were placed on the Commission's regular agenda. After the item had been published and noticed as required under State law, the District submitted a letter dated July 5, 2007 (attached), requesting that the MSR/SOI Update be continued.

The District requested the continuance in order to allow additional technical information that was being finalized to be considered within the MSR. Such information included an *Urban Impacts Engineering Study* and a technical study related to groundwater impacts resulting from urban development. The District requested that these studies be considered and/or included within the Municipal Service Review. The District also reported that the information and conclusions contained in a separate report—the *Upper Kings Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Plan* should also be considered in the MSR.

At the Commission's July 11, 2007 hearing, the Commission continued the hearing to September 12, 2007. The District has requested an additional continuance to October 10, 2007. This continuance will allow the District the ability to provide additional information that it believes is important for incorporation in the MSR/SOI Update. LAFCo staff and consultant support this request.

Recommendation: Continue Item to October 10, 2007



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Re: Consolidated Irrigation District Municipal Service Reviews

Dear Rick:

The Consolidated Irrigation District requests that the hearing for the District's Municipal Service Review be continued to August 2007 in order to provide more information relating to impacts to the District as a result of urban development. The District's Urban Impacts Engineering Study and Technical Study on Impacts to Groundwater as a Result of Urban Development are nearly complete and will be available before the August LAFCo meeting. We believe that the analysis and conclusions of these studies should be considered and/or included in the Municipal Service Review for the District.

In addition, the Upper Kings Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Plan is currently in draft and public hearings will be conducted in July. The Kings River Conservation District is planning to adopt this Plan by the end of July.

We believe the information and conclusion in this management plan should also be considered and/or included in the Municipal Service Review for the District, and may also provide valuable information for a complete and accurate Municipal Service Review for Fresno County Cities.

Sincerely,

Mark Gilkey
General Manager

