

COALINGA REGIONAL MEDICAL DISTRICT

MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW AND SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE

**Report to the
Fresno Local Agency Formation Commission**

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COALINGA REGIONAL MEDICAL DISTRICT

Hospital and Health Care Services

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Management Information

Governing Body: Board of Directors
Board Members: Sandy Beach Appointed in Lieu of Election 2010-Expires 2014
Catherine Underwood Appointed in Lieu of Election 2008-Expires 2012
Mark Gritton Appointed in Lieu of Election 2010-Expires 2014
William Lewis Appointed in Lieu of Election 2008-Expires 2012
Sandy McGlothlin Appointed in Lieu of Election 2010-Expires 2014
Board Meetings: Last Wednesday of Each Month at 5:30 pm
Staffing: 259 employees

Service Information

Empowered Services: Hospital and Health Care Services
Services Provided: Hospital and Health Care Services
Area Served: Coalinga, Huron, Avenal and Surrounding Areas in Fresno and Kings Counties
Population Served: 18,000
Acres Served: 561,124 acres
Infrastructure: The Coalinga Regional Medical Center.

Fiscal Information

Budget: \$26,000,000
Sources of Funding: Fees for services
Rate Structure: Medical, Medicare, private insurance, and self-pay

Administrative Policies

Master Plan: Yes **Policies/Procedures:** Yes **By-laws:** Yes
Boundary Updated: 1946 **SOI Updated:** 2007 **Other:** No

1. MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW

Description of District

The Coalinga Regional Medical District was formed in 1938 and operates pursuant to Health and Safety Code, Sections 32000-32492.

The District is located in southwest Fresno County. Its boundaries are similar to those of the Coalinga Unified School District. The District boundaries and Sphere of Influence are coterminous, as shown on the enclosed map.

The District is governed by a five-member Board of Directors elected at large. A Chief Executive Officer administers the District. It has 162 full-time, 7 part-time, 10 contract and 80 per diem employees.

District Services and Background

The District provides hospital and health care services at its facility, the Coalinga Regional Medical Center. The facility provides care to 26,512 acute patients, 24,944 outpatients, and 1,600 skilled nursing patients a year.

2. MSR DETERMINATIONS

This portion of the report addresses the factors specified in the governing statute for Municipal Service Reviews.

Growth and Population Projections

District services do not directly facilitate or affect the rate or location of population development, though the District responds to changes in the population by providing hospital and health care services based on actual needs.

Location and Characteristics of any Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities

Disadvantaged communities receive services from the district however, district services do not affect or influence these communities in any way.

Infrastructure Needs and Deficiencies

The District's public hospital, the Coalinga Regional Medical Center, is situated on 21 acres in Coalinga.

Financial Ability of Agencies to Provide Services

The FY 2010-11 operating budget states that the total budgeted expenses were \$25,496,000 and the net income was \$868,000. The total operating budget is \$26,364,000.

The District is financed for services through service fees. The District regularly reviews fees and charges for services to recover expenses with recognition that many allowable fees are established by State and Federal regulations.

Status of, and Opportunities for, Shared Facilities

There are no obvious opportunities for shared facilities in current operations due partly to the distance between this Regional Medical Center and other communities.

Governmental Structure and Operational Efficiencies

A five-member Board of Directors elected at large governs the District. The Board meets monthly. The District website is www.coalingamedicalcenter.com.

3 . SPHERE OF INFLUENCE REVIEW AND UPDATE

Government Code Section 56076 defines Sphere of Influence as “A plan for the probable physical boundaries and service area of a local agency, as determined by the commission.”

Description of Current Sphere of Influence

The District’s Sphere of Influence encompasses approximately 561,124 acres.

Proposed Sphere Changes

The District proposes no changes in its Sphere of Influence or boundaries.

Sphere of Influence Recommendations and Determinations

It is recommended the Commission approve the following determinations and affirm the current Sphere of Influence.

1. Present and planned land uses in the area, including agriculture and open-space.

Land uses within the District are a mix of residential, commercial, industrial, public uses, agriculture and open space. Planned uses include similar designations.

2. Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area.

The mixture of land uses within the District requires a broad array of public services and facilities including hospital and health care services. The probable need for services reflects land use plans of the Cities of Coalinga and Huron and the County.

3. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public service that the agency provides or is authorized to provide.

The capacity of District facilities is sufficient for services currently provided.

4. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency.

Territory within the District represents a community of interest for District services.

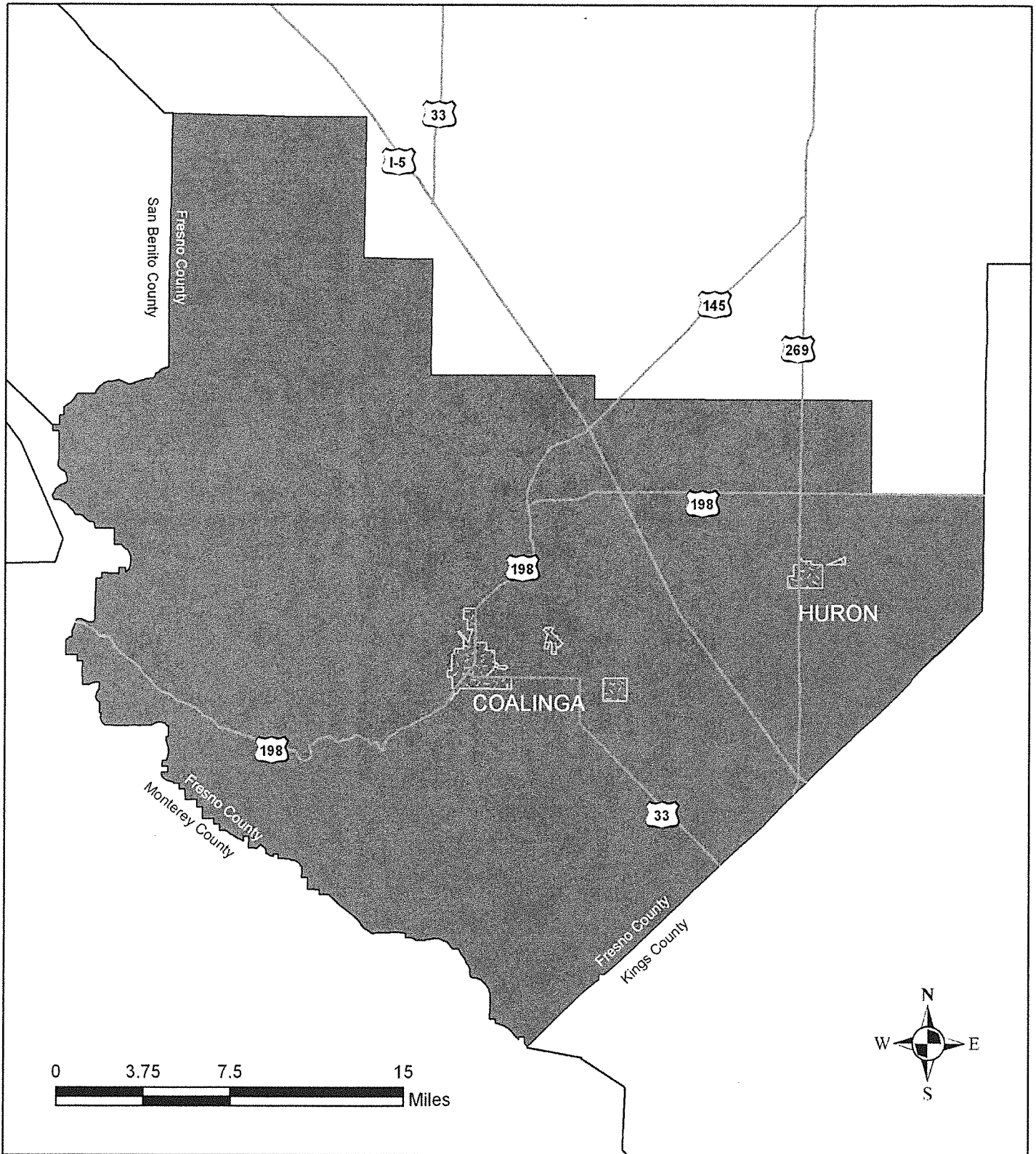
4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & REFERENCES

This draft Municipal Service Review was prepared by Fresno LAFCo staff using information provided by the Coalinga Regional Medical District. Responsibility for any errors or omissions rests with those who provided information for the report.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

In consideration of information gathered and evaluated during the Municipal Service Review, it is recommended the Commission:

1. Accept public testimony regarding the proposed Municipal Service Review.
2. Approve the recommended Municipal Service Review determinations, together with any changes deemed appropriate.
3. Approve the recommended Sphere of Influence determinations and affirm the current Sphere of Influence.



Fresno Local Agency Formation Commission Coalinga Hospital District

Legend

- District Area and SOI
- City Overlapping District

District Formed: 1946
 SOI Adopted: 6/23/1976
 SOI Updated: 10/10/2007

Map Date: October 2007
 District Area: 561,124 Acres
 Sphere Area: 561,124 Acres