

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

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

DATE: May 6, 2015

TO: Fresno Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM: David E. Fey, AICP, Executive Officer 

SUBJECT: Correspondence from Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability regarding LAFCo action on the Lanare CSD

RECOMMENDATION: Provide direction as necessary

Summary

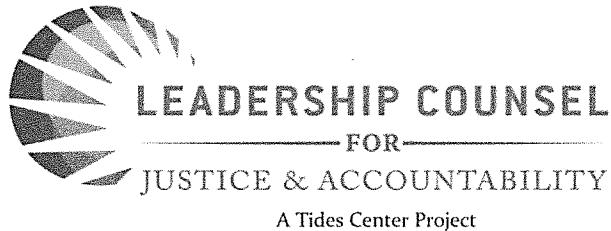
On April 17, 2015, LAFCo received a request from the Leadership Counsel for Justice & Accountability (Leadership Counsel) to complete a sphere of influence update and annex property into the Lanare Community Services District (Lanare CSD). These actions would result in properties that are already connected to the water system but outside the District's existing sphere of influence to be included within the service area and SOI so the registered voters therein would be eligible to serve as district board members and address the Lanare CSD board's lack of a quorum.

The most recent MSR for the Lanare CSD was approved by the Commission in December, 2007. No modifications to the Lanare CSD nor its SOI were recommended in that MSR. The current MSR schedule depicts the next MSR to take place during FY 15-16.

LAFCo Executive Officer and Legal Counsel met with Leadership Counsel staff on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, for a productive meeting to discuss the requested actions. At the conclusion of that meeting both LAFCo staff and Leadership Council members felt that additional time was needed to address the scope, schedule, and deliverables for the actions requested by the Leadership Counsel.

Since the subject MSR is due to begin in the next fiscal year, if so directed by the Commission staff will begin work on the MSR beginning July 1st and will continue to coordinate its development with the Leadership Counsel and other stakeholders.

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April 17, 2015

Sent Via Electronic Mail

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Re: Annexation and Sphere of Influence Update for the Lanare Community Services District

Dear LAFCO Commissioners:

We are writing on behalf of Community United in Lanare to request that the Lanare Community Services District (LCSD) Annexation and Sphere of Influence update be placed on the May 6th agenda for Commission discussion and direction. Community United in Lanare would like to have this item discussed for a number of reasons but most importantly to allow existing users served by the water system to participate in the democratic process of electing members to the LCSD Board and serving on the LCSD board.

Should you have any questions, please contact me directly at (559) 369-2787 or via email at vgaribay@leadershipcounsel.org.

Sincerely,

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