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Agenda Item No. 5b (Consent: Information)

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TO: Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM: Keene Simonds, Executive Officer

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SUBJECT: Current and Future Proposals

The Commission will receive a report summarizing current and future proposals. The report is being presented for information. No new

proposals have been submitted since the February 7, 2011 meeting.

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 delegates Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs) with regulatory and planning duties to coordinate the logical formation and development of local governmental agencies. This includes approving or disapproving proposals involving the formation, expansion, merger, and dissolution of cities and special districts.

A. Information

There are currently three active proposals on file with LAFCO of Napa County ("Commission"). A summary of these active proposals follows.

Annexation of Stanly Ranch to the Napa Sanitation District

The affected landowners propose the annexation of approximately 470 acres of incorporated land to the Napa Sanitation District (NSD). The underlying purpose of the proposal is to facilitate the development of 93 acres of the affected territory into a 245-room luxury resort with a commercial vineyard to be known as St. Regis. This development was approved by the City of Napa on April 20, 2010. The remaining lands have been included in the proposal to economize resources towards future connection to the NSD sewer line as new development is subsequently approved.

Status: Staff is reviewing the application and awaiting a determination from NSD with respect to consenting to the proposed annexation with or without

terms and conditions.

Councilmember, City of American Canyon

Silverado Trail/Zinfandel Lane Annexation to the City of St. Helena

The City of St. Helena proposes the annexation of approximately 100 acres of unincorporated territory located northwest of the intersection of Silverado Trail and Zinfandel Lane. The affected territory consists of one entire parcel and a portion of a second parcel, which are both owned and used by St. Helena to discharge treated wastewater from an adjacent treatment plant through a spray irrigation system. Both subject parcels are located outside the City's sphere of influence. Rather than request concurrent amendment, St. Helena is proposing only the annexation of a portion of the second parcel to ensure the affected territory is non-contiguous to its incorporated boundary and therefore eligible for annexation under Government Code Section 56742. This statute permits a city to annex non-contiguous land it owns and uses for municipal purposes without consistency with its sphere of influence. However, if sold, the statute requires the land be automatically detached. The two subject parcels are identified by the County Assessor as 030-240-017 (portion) and 030-250-018.

Status: Staff has completed its review of the proposal. St. Helena has filed a request with the Commission to delay consideration of the proposal in order to explore a separate agreement with the County to extend the current Williamson Act contract associated with the affected territory.

Formation of the Villa Berryessa Water District

This application has been submitted by Miller-Sorg Group, Inc. The applicant proposes the formation of a new special district under the California Water District Act. The purpose in forming the new special district is to provide public water and sewer services to a planned 100-lot subdivision located along the western shoreline of Lake Berryessa. A tentative subdivision map for the underlying project has already been approved by the County. The County has conditioned recording the final map on the applicants receiving written approval from the United States Bureau of Reclamation to construct an access road and intake across federal lands to receive water supplies from Lake Berryessa. Based on their own review of the project, the Bureau is requesting a governmental agency accept responsibility for the construction and perpetual operation of the water and sewer systems serving the subdivision.

Status: Staff is currently awaiting a response to an earlier request for additional information from the applicant.

There are no specific proposals expected to be submitted to the Commission in the immediate future.

B. Commission Review

The Commission is invited to discuss any of the proposals identified in this report.

Attachments: none