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TO: Local Agency Formation Commission

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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 August 1, 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 two active proposals on file with LAFCO of Napa County (“Commission”). A summary of these active proposals follows.

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.

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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 three new proposals expected to be submitted to the Commission in the immediate future. A summary of these anticipated proposals follows.

Matt Drive/Easum Drive Annexation to the City of Napa

An interested landowner within a completely surrounded unincorporated island located near the intersection of Matt Drive and Easum Drive in the City of Napa has inquired about annexation. The landowner owns and operates a bed and breakfast and is interested in annexation in response to an informational mailer issued by LAFCO earlier this year outlining the cost benefits to annexation. Subsequent follow up indicates the other two landowners within the island are agreeable to annexation. Staff is working with the City in preparing an application for consideration by the City Council.

Imola Avenue/Tejas Drive Annexation to the City of Napa

An interested landowner within a substantially surrounded unincorporated island located near the intersection of Imola Avenue and Tejas Avenue in the City of Napa has inquired about annexation. The interested landowner owns an approximate 1.5 acre undeveloped lot and is interested in ultimately pursuing a development project, although no specific plans exist at this time. Staff is currently working with the landowner and City in developing an outreach program to gauge interest to expand the annexation to further reduce or eliminate the entire island.

Formation of a Community Services District at Capell Valley

An interested landowner has inquired about the formation of a new special district for purposes of assuming water responsibilities from an existing private water company. The affected area includes the 48-space mobile home park adjacent to Moskowite Corners as well as two adjacent parcels that are zoned for affordable housing by the County. Staff has been working with the landowner in evaluating governance options as well as other related considerations under LAFCO law.

B. Commission Review

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

Attachments: none