FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

DISTRICT BACKGROUND

The Fallbrook Public Utility District (PUD) provides water and wastewater services within the unincorporated north county communities of Fallbrook and De Luz.

The Fallbrook PUD was formed in 1922 to provide residential and agricultural customers with water from the Santa Marguerite and San Luis Rey River Basins. The PUD was a charter member of the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) and entitled to Colorado River water when it arrived in San Diego County in 1948; approximately 97 percent of the PUD water supply is imported.

The Fallbrook PUD was included in 1981 and 1987 reorganizations that proposed to incorporate the community of Fallbrook and establish the PUD as a subsidiary agency of the new city. Both proposals were rejected by voters.

The District expanded significantly in 1990 when the DeLuz Heights Municipal Water District was dissolved and the 12,000-acre service area was annexed to the Fallbrook PUD. In 1994, voters approved dissolution of the 4,500-acre Fallbrook Sanitary District (SD), which was

located entirely within the Fallbrook PUD. The PUD was authorized to provide wastewater services as a latent power and became successor to the SD.

Wastewater service within the PUD is restricted to territory of the former SD. The District provides wastewater collection and treatment and produces Title 22 reclaimed water. The District retains 2.4 million gallons per day (mgd) capacity in the Oceanside ocean outfall.

DISTRICT CHARACTERISTICS

Principal Act: Public Utilities Code § 15501 et seq.

Services: Water Wastewater

Reclaimed water

District Area: 43.99 square miles

Wastewater Sub-area: Wastewater restricted to area of former

Fallbrook Sanitary District

Water Connections: Residential: 7,927

Commercial: 521 Agricultural: 188

Agricultural/Domestic: 554

Reclaimed: 23 Public: 38

Population: 33,476 (2012 SANDAG)

District Sphere: Coterminous with District

Sphere Adopted: January 7, 1985 Sphere Affirmed: August 6, 2007

Revenue Source: Fees

Governance: Elected 5-member Board of Directors

Board Meeting: 4th Monday: 4:00 p.m.

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LAFCO approved a sphere-of-influence for the Fallbrook PUD in 1985 that is coterminous with the district boundary.