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## AGENDA REPORT Consent | Information

August 6, 2018

**TO:** San Diego Commissioners

**FROM:** Keene Simonds, Executive Officer  
Robert Barry, Chief Policy Analyst

**SUBJECT: Results of Protest Proceedings |  
Harmony Grove Village Wastewater Reorganization (RO17-10 et al.)**

## SUMMARY

The San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) will receive the results of the protest hearing involving the Commission's earlier approval of the Harmony Grove Village Wastewater Reorganization; a multi-action proposal to transfer wastewater services for the affected territory from San Diego County Sanitation District (SD) to Rincon del Diablo Municipal Water District (MWD). The noticed hearing was held by the Executive Officer on July 11, 2018 and did not produce any written objections from landowners or registered voters. The Commission's approval, accordingly, will be ordered once all terms are satisfied.

## BACKGROUND

### Proposal Filing

San Diego LAFCO received a proposal in November 2017 from the Rincon del Diablo MWD requesting Commission approval for a series of actions to assume wastewater services for the Harmony Grove Village site from San Diego County SD. The affected territory is specific to the existing wastewater service area of the SD for the Harmony Grove Village and spans approximately 425.2 unincorporated acres immediately southwest of the City of Escondido. Development of the affected territory began in 2007 and close to one-half of the planned 742 dwelling units have been constructed to date. The submittal of the proposal followed nearly three years of discussions between the two subject agencies, and premised on their shared determination Rincon del Diablo MWD is best positioned to manage wastewater service for HGV going forward. Specific actions of the Commission at the June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting follow:

- Approve and establish a secondary wastewater-specific sphere of influence for Rincon del Diablo MWD coterminous with the approximate 425.20 acre affected territory;
- Approve and establish an activated wastewater latent power area for Rincon del Diablo MWD coterminous with the approximate 425.20 acre affected territory; and
- Approve the detachment of the affected territory from San Diego County SD.

### **Commission Action**

On June 4, 2018, San Diego LAFCO approved the Harmony Grove Village Wastewater Reorganization and all three underlying actions outlined in the preceding section. Approval was consistent with the staff recommendation and included standard terms. Approval also included modifying the sphere of influence for Rincon del Diablo MWD to include special study areas comprising two adjacent planned developments currently under review by the County of San Diego: Valiano-Eden Hills and Harmony Grove Village South. Last, in approving the reorganization the Commission also delegated protest proceedings to the Executive Officer.

### **DISCUSSION**

This information item is for San Diego LAFCO to receive the results of the protest hearing delegated to the Executive Officer involving the Commission's earlier approval of the Harmony Grove Village Wastewater Reorganization. The protest hearing was held on July 11, 2018 and produced no written submittals from landowners and/or registered voters objecting to the reorganization approval. A confirming resolution ordering the reorganization has been executed by the Executive Officer and the proceedings will become final once the applicant completes all remaining terms.

### **ANALYSIS**

The Harmony Grove Village Wastewater Reorganization has cleared its last substantive threshold and the remaining actions are ministerial and involve the applicant completing the standard terms.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive the item for information purposes only.

### **ALTERNATIVES FOR ACTION**

No actions required.

**San Diego LAFCO**

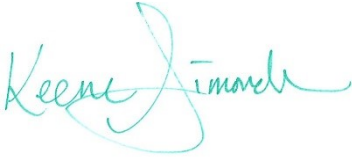
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**PROCEDURES**

This item has been placed on the San Diego LAFCO's agenda as part of the consent calendar. A successful motion to approve the consent calendar will include taking affirmative action on the staff recommendation unless otherwise specified by the Commission.

Respectfully,



Keene Simonds  
Executive Officer

Attachments: none

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