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SUBJECT: Initiation of Proposal Affecting the San Diego County Water Authority and Opportunity to Request a Determination Under Gov. Code §§ 56127-56128

Ms. Kerl:

The San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is in receipt of a reorganization proposal filed by the Rainbow Municipal Water District requesting concurrent detachment from the San Diego County Water Authority and annexation to the Eastern Municipal Water District (LAFCO File RO20-04). This proposal will be processed consistent with the provisions of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (“CKH”) and this includes – and unless otherwise provided herein – terming any LAFCO approval to standard conducting authority proceedings. CKH also provides an alternative process to delegate conducting authority proceedings under the principal act of the San Diego County Water Authority via Government Code Sections 56127 and 56128. The specific difference – markedly – between the standard and alternative processes involves the latter option bypassing protest proceedings and directly requiring an election by registered voters.

With the preceding in mind, this communication serves as formal notice to the San Diego County Water Authority and its opportunity to apply to LAFCO pursuant to Government Code Sections 56127 and 56128 for a determination that the Authority is not a district for purposes of Part 4 or Part 5 of CKH for the above-referenced proposal. The request must be provided in writing within 10 days of this notice – or April 6, 2020 – and attest to all of the criteria outlined in Government Code Section 56128. LAFCO will consider a conforming request at its next regular meeting scheduled for May 4, 2020.

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Should you have any questions, please contact me at your earliest convenience by telephone at 858-614-7755 or e-mail at keene.simonds@sdcounty.ca.gov.

Respectfully,



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