SAN DIEGO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given the San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission ("LAFCO") will hold a **protest hearing on Monday, November 9, 2020** at 10:00 a.m. immediately outside the LAFCO office at 9335 Hazard Way San Diego, California to consider the following matter:

"San Diego County Fire Protection District Reorganization"
Divestiture of Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services Functions for County Service Area No. 135 (San Diego County Fire Authority) with Concurrent Formation of the San Diego County Fire Protection District (RO20-14 et al.)

The above-listed proposal was conditionally approved by San Diego LAFCO at a noticed hearing on October 5, 2020. The proposal involves the (1) divestiture of County Service Area (CSA) No. 135's activated fire protection and emergency medical service (EMS) functions, and (2) formation of the San Diego County Fire Protection District (FPD) to assume those existing functions and services within the affected territory. Additional details follow.

Applicant(s):
County of San Diego, San Diego County Fire Authority

Affected Territory:
The affected territory is entirely unincorporated and comprises all of CSA No. 135's existing fire protection and emergency medical service area, covering approximately 1.6 million acres and an estimated resident population of 50,476. Affected unincorporated communities include – but not limited to – Descanso, Jamul, Julian, Ocotillo Wells, Pine Valley, Pauma Valley, Ranchita, Shelter Valley, and Warner Springs.

Reasons for the Proposal:
The purpose of the protest hearing is to allow both landowners and registered voters within the affected territory the opportunity to submit written protest to approval of the proposal. Qualifying individuals may submit written protest as both a landowner and registered voter but must use a separate form for each respective protest. Written protests must be filed with LAFCO before conclusion of the protest hearing. This includes submitting written protest by mail, courier, facsimile, or e-mail so as it is received by LAFCO by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 6, 2020, the business day before the protest hearing. All other protests must be hand-delivered to LAFCO staff at the protest hearing scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. subject to appropriate physical distancing due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Each written protest shall state whether it is made by a landowner or registered voter. It

shall also identify the property location or assessor's parcel number(s) (landowner) or residence address (including street number where applicable) (registered voter) and be signed and dated. All signatures must be dated after the publication of the protest hearing notice per Government Code 57051. Only valid protests will be considered.
The following thresholds apply in valuing protests:

- Should less than 25% of (a) registered voters and/or (b) landowners holding less than 25% of the assessed value of land within the affected territory file written protests the reorganization will be ordered without an election.

- Should 25% to 50% of (a) registered voters and/or (b) landowners holding 25% to 50% of the assessed value of land within the affected territory file written protests the reorganization will be ordered subject to an election at a future date.

- Should more than 50% of (a) registered voters and/or (b) landowners holding 50% or more of the assessed value of land within the affected territory file written protests the reorganization will be terminated.

Protest forms for landowners and registered voters are available at www.sdlafco.org.

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