

May 1, 2023

VIA EMAIL

Keene Simonds, Executive Officer
San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission
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Re: LAFCO Hearing June 5, 2023, on Reorganization Applications

Dear Mr. Simonds:

Thank you for posting the Notice and Staff Report regarding the June 5, 2023, LAFCO Commission hearing in regard to the reorganization applications by Fallbrook Public Utility District and Rainbow Municipal Water District. The Water Authority will submit its formal comments by your requested deadline of May 22, 2023.

This letter pertains to the hearing itself. The Water Authority wishes to make a presentation to the Commission, but is unsure as to whether: (a) this hearing will be over multiple days, as previously explained by staff, or just one day; (b) whether our presentation will be expected on June 5, or at a later continued portion of the hearing; and (c) the length of time which will be allowed for us.

As you know, the applications present very important issues for our entire County and for LAFCO, and we believe allowing the Water Authority a reasonable amount of time to present to the Commission is critical. We expect that we can make our presentation in two hours, and thus request that amount of time from LAFCO. Therefore, we ask you to confirm that we can have that period. Additionally, because our staff and counsel need to prepare accordingly, we ask you to please inform us as soon as possible if we should expect to make that presentation on June 5, or at a later hearing date (which was in accord with what you had suggested might be the case a while ago).

We would anticipate that our presentation will be made orally by staff and counsel, supported by PowerPoint. As to the latter, please let us know the contact information for the LAFCO staff member we should work with in regards to what we would need to do to set up such a PowerPoint presentation in the hearing room.

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Thank you in advance for your getting back to us on the above issues. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sandra L. Kerl". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Sandra L. Kerl
General Manager

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