



**San Diego County**  
**Local Agency Formation Commission**  
 Regional Service Planning | Subdivision of the State of California

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**AGENDA REPORT**  
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March 15, 2024

**TO:** Special Districts Advisory Committee

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**SUBJECT:** **Current Workplan Update on High Priorities |  
 Municipal Service Reviews on Wholesale Water Agencies & Healthcare  
 Districts in San Diego County**

**SUMMARY**

The Special Districts Advisory Committee (“Committee”) will receive an update on the current adopted workplan and specific to San Diego LAFCO’s highest placed priorities involving separate municipal service reviews on wholesale water service providers and healthcare districts. The MSR on wholesale water agencies will include a comprehensive review of the San Diego County Water Authority and a proportional review of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. The latter MSR will focus on the four healthcare districts in San Diego County: Fallbrook; Palomar; Grossmont; and Tri-City and will be divided into two parts. The update is provided for information with the opportunity for Committee members to provide feedback to staff in helping to address interests and/or priorities on behalf of special districts in San Diego County.

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## **BACKGROUND**

### **Adopted Workplan & MSRs on Wholesale Water Agencies and Healthcare Districts**

San Diego LAFCO's current fiscal year workplan includes 30 projects and is divided into two distinct categories – statutory and administrative – along with priority assignments set by the Commission. A scheduled MSR covering wholesale water agencies tops the priority list and covers LAFCO's statutory responsibility to perform an independent review of the San Diego County Water Authority and – albeit proportionally to its role in San Diego County – the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. The scheduled MSR on the four healthcare districts in San Diego County comes in second and will highlight: Fallbrook; Palomar; Grossmont; and Tri-City. Specific statutory factors required under the MSR statute (Government Code 56430) include the following:

- Growth and Population Projections
- Present and Planned Service Capacities
- Adequacy of Services Relative to Community Needs
- Financial Standing
- Opportunities for Shared Facilities
- Accountability of Governmental Structure and Alternatives

## **DISCUSSION**

This item is for the Committee to receive an update on the current adopted workplan and specific to San Diego LAFCO's highest placed priorities involving separate municipal service reviews on wholesale water service providers and healthcare districts. It follows Commission action in August 2023 to direct staff to regularly provide updates on the MSRs and in doing so provide opportunities in real-time for Commissioners, Committees, and the public to provide feedback on current and pending activities. The presentation will be provided by lead consultants Chris Cate and Adam Wilson.

## **ANALYSIS**

None.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

This item is presented to the Committee for information.

## **ALTERNATIVES FOR ACTION**

None.

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**PROCEDURES FOR CONSIDERATION**

This item has been placed on the Committee’s agenda for information as part of the business calendar. The following procedures are recommended:

- 1) Receive verbal presentation from staff unless waived.
- 2) Invite comments from interested audience members if any.
- 3) Discuss and provided general feedback as needed.

On behalf of the Consultant Team,



Priscilla Mumpower  
Assistant Executive Officer

Attachments: none

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