

SAN DIEGO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PROTEST HEARING

Notice is hereby given the San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission (“LAFCO”) will conduct a protest hearing on **Tuesday, October 16, 2018** at 10:00 a.m. at the San Diego County Operations Center’s Chambers located at 5520 Overland Avenue, San Diego, California 92123 to consider the following matter:

JOINT-REORGANIZATION PROPOSAL DISSOLVING THE JULIAN-CUYAMACA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AND EXPANDING THE COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 135’S LATENT POWER AREA

The above proposal was conditionally approved by San Diego LAFCO at a noticed hearing held on September 10, 2018. The proposal involves the transfer of fire protection and emergency medical services from the Julian-Cuyamaca Fire Protection District (FPD) to the County of San Diego and its Fire Authority through County Service Area (CSA) No. 135. Specific changes of organization involve (a) dissolving the Julian-Cuyamaca FPD and (b) expanding CSA No. 135’s active latent power boundary for fire protection and emergency medical services as the designated successor agency. Additional proposal details follow.

Applicant:

Julian-Cuyamaca FPD serves as the lead applicant for the proposal and through the adoption of a resolution of application. CSA No. 135 serves as the co-applicant for the proposal through its own adopted resolution of application.

Affected Territory:

The affected territory is approximately 52,000 acres in size and comprises the existing jurisdictional boundary of the Julian-Cuyamaca FPD. It includes the unincorporated communities of Julian, Whispering Pines, and Kentwood-in-the-Pines.

Reasons for the Proposal:

The applicants have proposed the proposal for the following reasons:

- To ensure continuity of fire protection and emergency medical services.
- To ensure the long-term security of fire protection service.
- To eliminate duplication of management, administration, and oversight associated with the operation of multiple special districts that provide the same service.

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 the proposal. Qualifying individuals may submit written protest as both a landowner and registered voter, but must use a separate form for each protest. Written protests must be filed with LAFCO before conclusion of the protest hearing. This includes submitting written protest by mail, courier, facsimile, e-mail, or hand-delivered so long as it is received by LAFCO at 9335 Hazard Way, Suite 200, San Diego, California 92123 by 5:00pm on Monday, October 15, 2018, the day before the protest hearing. All other protests must be hand delivered to LAFCO staff at the protest hearing scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the County Operations Center's Chamber before such hearing is closed. 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.

If you have any questions please contact the LAFCO office at (858) 614-7755.

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