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AGENDA REPORT
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October 7, 2019

TO: Commissioners

FROM: Keene Simonds, Executive Officer
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**SUBJECT: Protest Results for the “Pauma Valley Fire Joint-Reorganization” |
 Divestiture of Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Service Powers for
 Mootamai, Pauma, and Yuima Municipal Water Districts and Concurrent
 Expansion of Activated Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services Latent
 Power Area for County Service Area No. 135 (RO18-13 et al.)**

SUMMARY

The San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) will receive the results of the protest hearing conducted for the “Pauma Valley Fire Joint-Reorganization.” The noticed hearing was held by the Executive Officer on September 11th and did not produce any written objections from affected landowners or registered voters. LAFCO’s approval to transfer fire protection and emergency medical service responsibilities from the Mootamai, Pauma, and Yuima Municipal Water Districts (MWDs) to the County of San Diego through County Service Area (CSA) No. 135 will be ordered once all terms are satisfied.

BACKGROUND

Proposal Request

Mootamai, Pauma, and Yuima MWDs and CSA No. 135 have filed a joint-proposal with San Diego LAFCO requesting approval to reorganize fire protection and emergency medical service responsibilities in Pauma Valley in northern San Diego County. The proposed reorganization involves transferring the service responsibilities currently exercised by the

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three MWDs to the County of San Diego and its Fire Authority through CSA No. 135. Two concurrent LAFCO approvals underlie the request and consist of divesting the fire protection and emergency medical service powers of all three MWDs and expanding the activated latent service power for CSA No. 135 to include the affected territory, which as submitted spans approximately 18,565 acres with 2,237 estimated residents.

Commission Action

On August 5, 2019, San Diego LAFCO held a noticed public hearing to consider the joint-proposal. The Commission proceeded to approve the reorganization with modifications as recommended by staff to include an additional 18.6 acres of adjacent land to CSA No. 135’s activated fire protection and emergency medical service area. A conforming sphere of influence amendment to CSA No. 135 along with standard conditions were also approved. The Commission also delegated subsequent protest proceedings to the Executive Officer.

DISCUSSION

This information item is for San Diego LAFCO to receive the results of the protest hearing delegated to the Executive Officer involving the Commission’s earlier approval of the Pauma Valley Fire Joint-Reorganization proposal as required under policy. The protest hearing was noticed and held on September 11, 2019 and produced no written submittals from affected landowners or registered voters objecting to the reorganization. A confirming resolution ordering the reorganization has been executed by the Executive Officer and the proceedings will become final once all remaining terms have been satisfied.

ANALYSIS

The Pauma Valley Fire Joint-Reorganization proposal has cleared its last substantive threshold. All remaining actions to complete the jurisdictional changes are ministerial.¹

RECOMMENDATION

Receive the item for information purposes only.

ALTERNATIVES FOR ACTION

This item is being presented for information only; no action.

¹ San Diego LAFCO policy directs the Executive Officer to proceed and issue an ordering resolution at the conclusion of the protest hearing process so long as the results do not require the proposal to be terminated or confirmed by an election. The Executive Officer is also responsible for informing the Commission of the protest results resulting in an action being ordered at the next regular meeting. [Policy on Conducting Protest Hearings Section 4(h)].

PROCEDURES

This item has been placed on San Diego LAFCO’s agenda as part of the consent calendar. A successful motion to approve the consent calendar will include taking affirmative action on the staff recommendation unless otherwise specified by the Commission.

On behalf of the Executive Officer,

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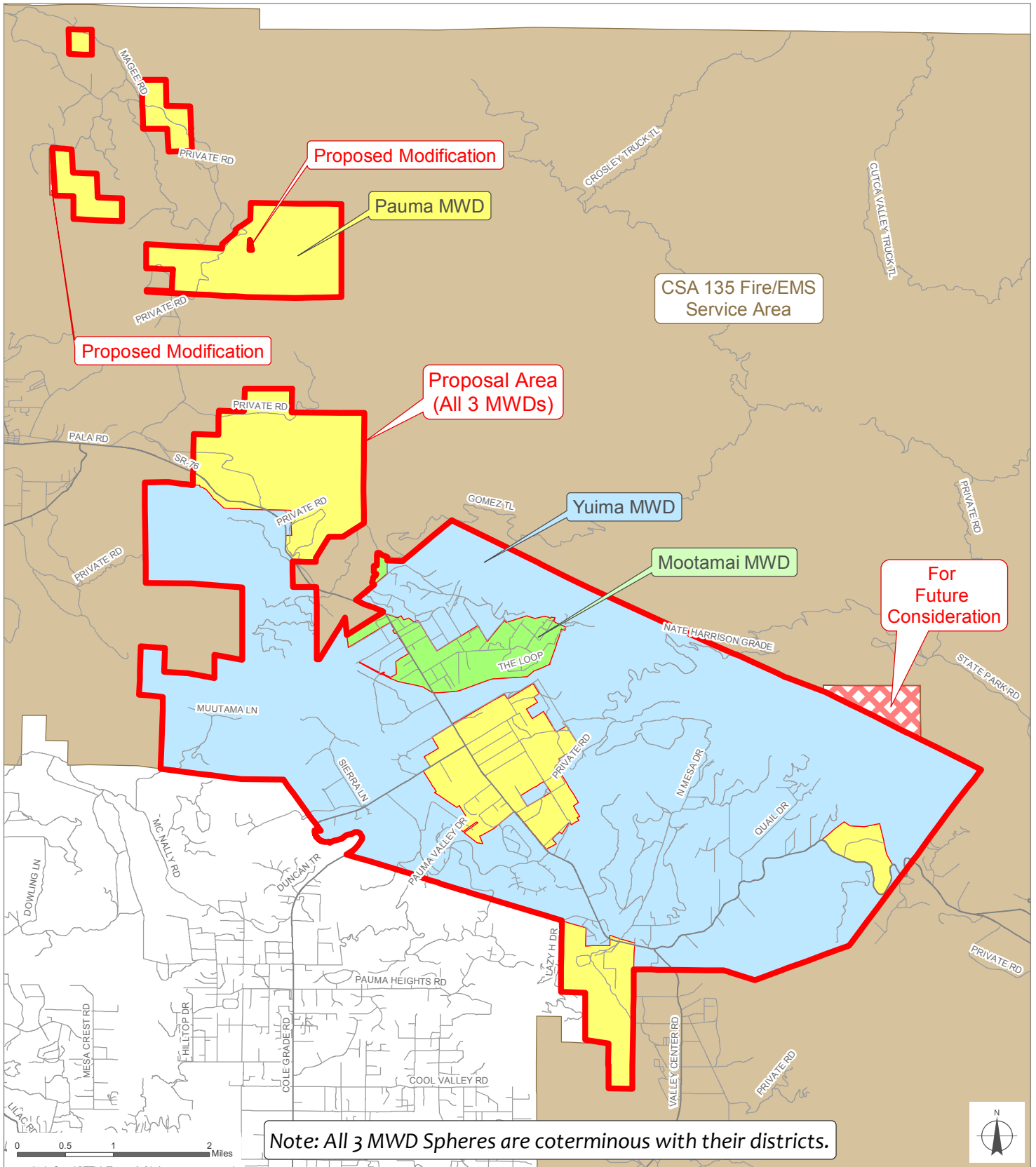
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Attachment:

- 1) Map of the Affected Territory

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Proposed Pauma Valley Fire Reorganization (RO18-13, et. al.)



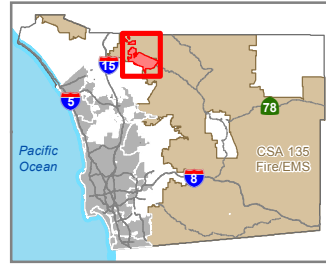
Note: All 3 MWD Spheres are coterminous with their districts.

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- Proposal Area
- Mootamai MWD
- Pauma MWD
- Yuima MWD
- CSA 135 Fire/EMS Service Area



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