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### 3<sup>rd</sup> Round "WastewaterServices" Municipal Services Review/Sphere of Influence Updates

Dear Members of the Commission:

**BACKGROUND:** The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH Act) provides that LAFCO shall review and update each sphere of influence (SOI), and that in conjunction with the SOI update, the Commission shall conduct a municipal service review (MSR). The MSR is an important tool for LAFCO in fulfilling its legislative mandate to coordinate the efficient and logical development of local government agencies and services. The MSR serves as a basis for SOI updates and future boundary changes.

MSRs provide an assessment of the range and adequacy of municipal services provided in the County and the basis for making LAFCO determinations relating to growth & population projections, location and characteristics of disadvantaged communities, capacity of public facilities, services, and infrastructure, financial ability of agencies to provide services, opportunities for share facilities, accountability, governance structure and operational efficiencies, and other factors relating to efficient and effective service delivery. The MSR culminates in updating the SOIs for the subject agencies.

Contra Costa LAFCO continues its work on MSRs having recently completed 2<sup>nd</sup> round *Mosquito & Vector Control Services* (2022), *Resource Conservation Services* (2022), *Cemetery Districts* (2021), and *Parks & Recreation Services* (2021). In addition, a County Service Area (CSA) MSR covering 15 CSAs is currently underway. Next in the queue are reclamation districts.

At this time, we are pleased to present the 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Wastewater Services MSR/SOI Updates available for review on the Contra Costa LAFCO website at <a href="https://www.contracostalafco.org/">https://www.contracostalafco.org/</a>. This MSR includes a review of seven cities and 13 districts, as detailed below.

#### OVERVIEW AND PROCESS

In July 2022, Contra Costa LAFCO initiated its 3<sup>rd</sup> Round "Wastewater Services" Municipal Services Review (MSR) and Sphere of Influence (SOI) updates. Swale, Inc., Baracco and Associates, and Southfork Consulting prepared the 3<sup>rd</sup> round wastewater MSR.

The 2024 3<sup>rd</sup> round "Wastewater Services" MSR focuses primarily on the following:

- ♣ Agency boundaries and SOIs
- **♣** Wastewater operations/infrastructure
- Financial overview
- ♣ Population/disadvantaged communities
- **♣** Government structure alternatives
- **MSR** determinations

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, the MSR report was released, posted, and is available on the Contra Costa LAFCO website homepage at <a href="https://www.contracostalafco.org/">https://www.contracostalafco.org/</a> The public comment period will end at the close of the LAFCO Public Hearing on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

On June 12<sup>th</sup>, the consultants will provide a brief overview of the MSR and SOI updates. The Commission will receive public comment, be asked to accept the MSR report, make the required MSR and SOI determinations, and update the SOIs for 11 of the 13 districts. Alameda LAFCO, having the greatest assessed value, is the "principal LAFCO" for two of the districts covered in this report – Dublin San Ramon Services District (DSRSD) and East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) and has jurisdiction over the SOIs for these two districts. The city SOIs were last updated in June 2019 in conjunction with the "City Services Municipal Services Review/Sphere of Influence Updates"; therefore, the City SOIs will not be updated in conjunction with this MSR. Also, the SOIs for the two community services districts (CSDs) covered in this MSR – Town of Discovery Bay CSD and Crockett CSD were last updated in 2019; therefore, their SOIs will not be updated in conjunction with this MSR.

#### **DISCUSSION**

*Municipal Service Review Determinations* - In accordance with the MSR, LAFCO must prepare written determinations relating to the following factors:

- 1. Growth and population projections for the affected area.
- 2. The location and characteristics of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) within or contiguous to the SOI.
- 3. Present and planned capacity of public facilities, adequacy of public services, and infrastructure needs or deficiencies, including needs or deficiencies related to sewers, municipal and industrial water, and structural fire protection in any DUCs within or contiguous to the SOI.
- 4. Financial ability of agencies to provide services.
- 5. Status of, and opportunities for, shared facilities.
- 6. Accountability for community service needs, including governmental structure and operational efficiencies.
- 7. Any other matter related to effective or efficient service delivery, as required by commission policy.

The MSR report includes an analysis of these factors.

Sphere of Influence (SOI) Updates – The requirement for LAFCOs to conduct MSRs was established by the Cortese Knox Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH) to acknowledge the importance of SOIs and recognize that periodic SOI updates should be conducted.

An SOI is defined as a "plan for the probable physical boundaries and service area of a local agency, as determined by the commission." SOIs define the logical, long-term service boundary for an agency. SOIs can be the same, larger, or smaller than the existing local agency boundary. Contra Costa LAFCO uses various SOI designations, including "zero," which signals dissolution or consolidation of the local agency; "provisional" SOI, which delineates that a future restructuring or change of organization is needed; and "pending" SOI which indicates there are pending issues to resolve before updating the SOI.

The MSR typically culminates in updating the SOIs of the subject agencies covered in the MSR report. LAFCOs are required to make written determinations in accordance with Gov. Code §56425(e) when establishing, amending, or updating an SOI for any local agency that address the following:

- 1. The present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands.
- 2. The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area.
- 3. The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide.
- 4. The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency.
- 5. For an update of an SOI of a city or special district that provides public facilities or services related to sewers, municipal and industrial water, or structural fire protection, the present and probable need for those public facilities and services of any DUC with the existing SOI.

When updating the SOI for a district, LAFCO is also required to establish the nature, location, and extent of any functions or classes of services provided [Section 56425(i)].

#### Cities Covered in the MSR

The seven cities covered in this MSR include Antioch, Brentwood, Concord, Hercules, Pinole, Pittsburg and Richmond. As previously noted, the City SOIs were last updated in 2019 in conjunction with the *City Services MSR* and will not be updated as part of the *3<sup>rd</sup> Round Wastewater Services MSR*.

A brief summary of city wastewater services is provided below.

**Antioch** – The City of Antioch was incorporated in 1872 and currently has a population of approximately 115,291. The City's boundary encompasses 30± square miles. Land uses include commercial, industrial, open space and residential; the predominant land use is single-family residential use. There are several disadvantaged communities within Antioch's incorporated boundary.

The City provides numerous city services including water and wastewater. The City provides wastewater collection and conveyance services to approximately 31,937 sewer connections, including the Fairgrounds area (73± acres) which is outside the City's boundary. The City's wastewater services also include collection and conveyance to the Delta Diablo (DD) Wastewater Treatment Plant for treatment and disposal. The MSR notes that from January 1, 2019, to August 9, 2022 the City experienced 76 Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) in the City of Antioch, which is a high number.

Infrastructure includes 310± miles of sewer mains, one small lift station; one small force main of 321 linear feet; and 6,153 maintenance holes and access points in the collection system.

During the past year, City staff completed several projects to improve wastewater collection services, including:

• Implemented a rural maintenance hole inspection program and replaced all rural maintenance holes with watertight locking composite maintenance holes.

- Completed State-mandated Sanitary Sewer Management Plan audit.
- Treated approximately 33,000 lineal feet of sewer main line for root infiltration to maximize flow and minimize clogs.
- Rehabilitated 15 maintenance holes to prevent infiltration and exfiltration and restore structural integrity.
- Purchased a new Vactor combination truck to assist with cleaning larger diameter pipes.

The Public Works Department identified several goals for 2024 to 2025 for the wastewater system including:

- Televise 25% of the Sewer System every year
- Increase sewer lateral inspection and cleaned by 10% without compromising quality.
- Decrease SSOs by 10%
- Sewer line rehabilitation, maintenance hole repairs, and collection system improvements

The 2024 wastewater MSR noted the three governance options previously identified in LAFCO's 2014 Wastewater MSR including 1) maintain the status quo, 2) consolidate service with the Delta Diablo, and 3) annex all small county unincorporated islands within the City's SOI. LAFCO encourages the City to annex the small unincorporated islands.

**Brentwood** – The City of Brentwood was incorporated in 1948 and has a current population of approximately 64,292. The City's boundary encompasses 15± square miles. Land uses include residential, commercial, industrial, and open space. There is one disadvantaged community within Brentwood's incorporated boundary.

The City provides numerous services including water and wastewater services (i.e., wastewater collection, conveyance, treatment, and disposal) to approximately 20,494 sewer connections. Infrastructure includes a wastewater treatment plant, 247 miles of main sewer line, and 3 lift stations. The City's WWTP is currently being expanded to accommodate 6.4 million gallons per day (MGD). During this 5-6 year timeframe, there were 20 SSOs in the City of Brentwood, all of which originated from failure at lower lateral points. The overflows were relatively small. Over the next five years, the City plans to develop rate studies, update the master plan, and develop staffing plans to improve wastewater services.

The City is working on several projects including the following:

- Expanding WWTP to accommodate 6.4 MGD. Expansion will accommodate current and near-term needs. Construction work to be completed in 2024. Funding was through a loan (1.5%).
- WWTP Expansion Phase II (total cost of \$83.3 million) will expand existing treatment facility to accommodate planned/approved development and keep the system compliant with increasingly stringent water discharge requirements. City secured a low-interest rate loan through the State. Project also includes a biosolids dryer component funded by wastewater operations revenue, wastewater replacement funds, and wastewater loan repayments funded from a combination of wastewater development impact fees and operations revenue.
- Downtown Alley Rehabilitation (Midway and Park Way project) will install new water, sewer, and storm drain facilities and remove/replace existing infrastructure to bring the aging infrastructure up to current standards.

The City does not currently anticipate any boundary or SOI changes in conjunction with wastewater services. The MSR supports maintaining the existing SOI for the City of Brentwood.

**Concord** -The City of Concord was incorporated in 1905 and currently has a population of 125,410. The City's boundary encompasses 30.55 square miles and includes the Concord Navel Weapons Station (CNWS). Land uses include residential, commercial, light industrial, office/business park, open space. There are two disadvantaged communities within Concord's incorporated boundary.

The City provides numerous services including police; parks and recreation including community centers, pools, open spaces, golf courses and pavilion; public works including street maintenance, sweeping, building inspection; comprehensive planning, land use control; health care district; and sewage collection. Contractual services include sewage treatment, fire protection, library, water quality program, animal control, and disaster preparedness.

The City's collection system includes 345 miles of sewer main, 119.7 miles of sewer laterals, 7,140 maintenance holes, and three siphons. The City's wastewater service includes collection and conveyance to Central Contra Costa Sanitary District's (CCCSD) treatment plant for treatment and disposal. The City provides wastewater collection and conveyance services to 40,370 sewer connections. Concord provides wastewater collection services to areas located outside the City boundary including the City of Clayton by contract. Concord owns and maintains the lines in Clayton. The wastewater is sent to CCCSD's treatment plant for treatment and disposal. The City also has a number of out-of-agency service agreements. City wastewater projects include recent the completion of a Sanitary Sewer Master Plan (SSMP) with assistance from Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

The SSMP provides a detailed assessment of existing and future conditions related to the City's sewer system. The SSMP functions as a CIP and includes a capacity evaluation, a recommended sewer improvement program, and an existing CIP program. Inflow and infiltration were also studied in the SSMP, which recommends that future mitigation efforts focus on several basins. The SSMP also lists long-term projects needed to provide wastewater system capacity under future or long-term development scenarios. These projects are dependent on the development of specific plan areas, including the CNWS and Marsh Creek.

From January 1, 2019 to August 23, 2022, there were 43 SSOs. The largest overflow, which was 18,425 gallons, took place in October 2019, and its failure point was located at the gravity mainline. This spill occurred due to root intrusion and reached the street curb, gutter, and surface water.

Several governance options were identified in the MSR, including 1) maintaining the status quo, 2) annex areas receiving City service including the Ayers Ranch island, and 3) consolidate services with CCCSD. LAFCO urges the City of Concord to annex the Ayers Ranch island to the City of Concord.

**Hercules** - The City of Hercules was incorporated in 1900 and currently has a population of 26,300. The City's boundary encompasses 19.26 square miles. Land uses include residential, commercial, industrial, office, open space. There are no disadvantaged communities within Hercules' incorporated boundary.

The City provides a range of municipal services including police, parks and recreation including a community center, public works, community development, child care facilities, teen resource center, senior center, aquatics, streetlighting and landscape, street sweeping, building inspection, and wastewater collection and conveyance. Contractual services include fire protection and ambulance services.

The City provides service to approximately 8,410 connections. The wastewater collection system includes approximately 352,000 linear feet (67 miles) of pipeline, of which 328,000 feet is gravity main, and the remaining 24,000 feet is force main. The system contains approximately 1,729 individual pipes, 1,661 maintenance holes, 13 cleanouts, 9 plugs, and 13 diversions. The Pinole-Hercules Wastewater control plant is jointly shared with the City of Pinole. The WPCP was recently upgraded and meets the standards of the Clean Water Act. The WPCP can accommodate 20 MGD of peak flows. The permitted average dry weather flow is 4.06 MGD. The secondary effluent is conveyed to the Rodeo Sanitary District. The final treated effluent is discharged to San Pablo Bay.

From January 1, 2018, to June 30, 2023, six SSO events occurred in the City of Hercules. For all six SSOs, the volume of spillage totaled 4,500 gallons. Of this, 1,400 gallons reached surface water, calculating to a 26 percent recovery rate. In most cases, the SSOs had failure points at the gravity mainline and the pump station mechanical. Most of the spills were greater than 100 gallons, and almost all the spill material was not recovered. The largest spill in the query occurred on October 26, 2020, consisting of 2,000 gallons. This spill occurred due to grease deposition (FOG), and it managed to reach a drainage channel.

Recent and upcoming projects include maintenance holes will be sealed to reduce the amount of inflow and infiltration coming into the sewer system; update to the Collection System Master Plan, which includes the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget and schedule for capacity enhancement projects; and quarterly training on emergency by-pass pumping and generator power at all lift stations.

Three governance options were identified in the MSR including 1) maintain the status quo, 2) consolidate sanitary sewer service with the West County Wastewater District, and 3) consolidate sanitary sewer service with Pinole and Rodeo.

**Pinole** – The City of Pinole incorporated in 1903 and currently has a population of 19,022. The City boundary encompasses 11.61 square miles. Land uses include residential, commercial, industrial, office, and open space. There is one disadvantaged community in the City of Pinole.

The City provides a range of municipal services, including finance, city clerk, administration, public safety (police and fire), public works (parks, streets, highways, street sweeping), development (planning), building, city engineering, and recreation (senior and youth centers, facility rentals, tiny tots program, cable access TV).

The wastewater treatment plant is jointly shared by the City of Hercules. The collection system includes 50 linear miles of gravity flow sewers, two pump stations, and 807 linear feet of force mains. There are 5,415 sewer connections in the City's collection system.

From January 1, 2018, to June 30, 2023, eight SSO events occurred in the City of Pinole. In most cases, the SSOs originated from the gravity mainline. All the overflows were relatively large, and very little spill material was recovered. The largest spill occurred on February 13, 2019, with a volume of 82,000 gallons. This spill originated at the maintenance hole due to rainfall exceeding design. Only 7,000 gallons were recovered from the spill, resulting in an estimated 75,000 gallons reaching surface water.

The Pinole-Hercules Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) was recently upgraded and meets the standards of the Clean Water Act. The WPCP can accommodate 20 MGD of peak flows. The permitted average dry weather flow is 4.06 MGD. Secondary effluent is conveyed to the Rodeo Sanitary District. The final treated effluent is discharged to San Pablo Bay.

Two government structure options were identified for the City of Pinole: 1) maintain the status quo; and 2) consolidate sanitary sewer service with the West County Wastewater District.

**Pittsburg** – The City of Pittsburg incorporated in 1903 and currently has a population of 76,416. The City boundary encompasses 19.74± square miles. Land uses include residential, commercial, industrial, and open space. There are disadvantaged communities located within the City of Pittsburg.

The City provides a range of municipal services, including police, recreation and parks, community center, senior center, marina, public works including street maintenance and sweeping, building inspection, library, comprehensive planning and land use, golf course, and marina.

The City's wastewater service includes collection and conveyance to the Delta Diablo for treatment and disposal. The City provides sewer collection services through approximately 178 linear miles of sewer lines ranging in diameter from six to 36 inches, two sewer lift stations, and over 18,850 sewer laterals within the City of Pittsburg rights-of-way. Design flow is 19.5 MGD.

The City maintains and owns the local sewage collection system that serves the City's municipal users. The City's collection system operates independently, and there are no physical interties with other agencies.

Pittsburg's SSMP was updated in 2019. The SSMP provides guidelines, plans, and schedules to manage, operate, and maintain all parts of the City's collection system. Providing adequate capacity to convey peak wastewater flows is listed as a goal. Additionally, the SSMP aims to reduce the frequency of SSOs and prevent SSOs from occurring in the future.

From January 1, 2019 to August 9, 2022, there were 94 SSOs for the City of Pittsburg. In most cases, the SSOs originated from sewer maintenance holes. Most of the overflows from the query had failure points at the lower public lateral. Based on the database query, the SSOs were contained, averaging 104.63 gallons overall, preventing any flows from reaching storm drains or channels.

The City's five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) from 2022/23 through 2026/27 identifies 11 sewer CIP projects that total \$27 million. Of these, five sewer projects totaling \$14.4 million are already funded/partially funded within the next five years.

Two government structure options were identified for the City of Pittsburg: 1) maintain the status quo, and 2) consolidate sanitary sewer service with Delta Diablo.

**Richmond** – The City of Richmond incorporated in 1905 and currently has a population of 116,448. The City boundary encompasses 52.65± square miles. Land uses include residential, regional office, commercial, industrial, and port-related uses.

The City provides a range of municipal services, including police, fire, street maintenance and sweeping, recreation and parks (including building community and senior centers), housing authority, planning, zoning and building regulations, sewage collection and disposal.

The wastewater service area is  $13.5\pm$  square miles. The City provides wastewater services to approximately 14% of the city's acreage. Approximately 68,100 residents are served by the Richmond Municipal Sewer System (21,000 sewer lateral connections). Infrastructure/facilities includes a WWTP, 194 mils of sewer collection system pipelines and 13 pump stations.

Treatment plant capacity is 6.3 MGD (average dry weather flow), and 22 MGD (peak wet weather flow). Treatment is through Richmond WWTP and discharge is through a deep-water outfall in central San Francisco Bay.

Richmond's Water Pollution Control Plant has a wastewater treatment system that includes screening, grit removal, primary sedimentation, conventional activated sludge (biological secondary treatment), secondary clarification, disinfection, and de-chlorination, as well as sludge thickening and anaerobic digestion (Richmond, CIP, 2022). The WWTP includes a new wet weather storage facility with some remaining capacity.

Veolia is a private company with a contract to operate Richmond's Water Pollution Control Plant. In 2018, Veolia prepared an Annual Operations Report for the City of Richmond WWTP. The report assessed WWTP performance, capital projects management, and sewer system status. The report outlined planned maintenance projects for 2019. Some of the high-priority projects planned include the completion of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Street storm water lift station M & C panel upgrade, wet-well safety hatch replacement for five sewer and storm pump lift stations, the replacement of clarifiers, and various other projects). In addition, there were achievements in 2018, including the rehabilitation project that replaced pipes in the City; completion of the design engineering of a WWTP Biosolids to Energy Plan; and initiation of construction for the Cutting, Carlson, and Hoffman Boulevard wet weather improvement sewer project. During the past several years, the City completed three important milestones related to wastewater operations, including:

- Sewer Rate Increase passed by City Council 07/01/2020
- Major CIPs upgrades at the WWTP
- Baykeeper Settlement Agreement 2018

The city has a current contract with Veolia Water North America, which will sunset in 2027. Staff informed consultants that the city is looking at other options and opportunities, such as solicitations for other vendors or operators to take over the system after the Veolia contract ends. The city is open to other jurisdictions, such as EBMUD or other operators, to step in and run operations. The city is also looking at running the plant on its own.

From 2019 to 2022, 61 SSO events occurred in the City of Richmond. In most cases, SSOs occurred at failure points in the gravity mainline. Most of these overflows were relatively large, and many spills were not recovered. Query results showed that the 61 SSOs had a total volume of 3,411,771 gallons of sewage that were not recovered. The largest SSO occurred in February 2019 and had a volume of 580,670

gallons. This spill occurred due to a storm surge that caused the flow to exceed capacity. None of the spill was recovered, leading to 580,670 gallons of sewage reaching surface waters.

Three governance structure alternatives were identified: (1) maintain the status quo, (2) contract with [or annex to] EBMUD, and (3) contract with [or annex to] West County Wastewater District.

#### Districts Covered in the MSR

The 13 special districts covered in this MSR include Byron Sanitary District (BSD), Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD), County Sanitation District No. 6 (CSD No. 6), Crockett Community Services District (CCSD), Delta Diablo (DD), Discovery Bay Community Services District (DBCSD), Dublin San Ramon Services District (DSRSD), East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD), Ironhouse Sanitary District (ISD), Mt, View Sanitary District (MVSD), Rodeo Sanitary District (RSD), Stege Sanitary District (SSD), and West County Wastewater District (WCWD).

A brief summary of district wastewater services, along with SOI updates, are provided below.

**Byron Sanitary District (BSD)** – BSD is an independent district formed in 1948, covers  $0.53\pm$  square miles, and serves the Byron community with a population of approximately 800 people. Growth within BSD is expected to be limited over the next 10 to 20 years. There are no disadvantaged communities within the District. BSD has a five-member Board of Directors elected at large.

BSD collects, treats, and disposes of municipal wastewater. The district also contracts with Mt. Diablo Resource Recovery Services for solid waste (garbage) disposal and recycling services. BSD services 278 connections representing about 378 Equivalent Dwelling Units (EDUs). The treatment capacity is approximately 96,000 gallons per day (GPD). BSD also serves the Orrin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility (OAYRF). The OAYRF (which constituted approximately nine percent of total wastewater volume) was closed by Contra Costa County in early 2023 due to low utilization of the facility. Contra Costa County Fire Protection District is currently using the facility for wildfire operations and logistics. The western third of the OAYRF is in BSD's SOI; and no portion of the facility is within the BSD boundary.

In 2023, BSD completed system-wide upgrades to improve system reliability. Upgrades included hydro-flushing/cleaning sewer mains and preparing video logs for all sewer collection lines. Work was also conducted to remove bio-solids (sludge) from Pond No. 1 in order to bring the pond back on line.

The MSR notes that no SSOs were found for the BSD. This indicates that the wastewater system is well-maintained and can avoid SSOs.

BSD shares administrative operations with the Bethany Byron Irrigation District through the Byron Bethany JPA, which includes administrative offices, a general manager, and field personnel. Staff operations were consolidated, and efficiencies were achieved over the past 10 years, which resulted in cost savings. Grant funding for capital projects will be necessary in order to conserve reserve funds.

Governance/SOI options for BSD include: 1) retain the existing SOI; and 2) expand the SOI to include the former Orrin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility property. Additionally, future special studies for BSD should be considered.

Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD) – CCCSD is an independent district. The District was formed in 1946, serves a population of 487,329, and covers 145± square miles including the cities of Concord, Clayton, Danville, Lafayette, Moraga, Orinda, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek, portions of the cities of Martinez and San Ramon, and other unincorporated areas within central Contra Costa County. CCCSD includes disadvantaged communities including areas within Concord, Pleasant Hill, and Walnut Creek. The MSR notes that future growth is expected to be 0.62 percent annually. CCCSD has a five-member Board of Directors elected by district.

CCCSD provides wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal; recycled water for landscape use, pollution prevention, and permanent household hazardous waste collection facility. CCCSD has 171,340 business and residential connections.

CCCSD collects and treats wastewater from approximately 135,000 households and 3,000 non-residential businesses and institutions. CCCSD also treats wastewater from about 50,000 households by contract from Clayton and Concord. These cities operate and maintain their own collection systems, delivering their sewage to the CCCSD Martinez wastewater treatment facility. CCCSD's collection system includes 1,500 miles of sewer lines and 18 pumping stations. Treatment capacity includes the following:

- 35 million gallons per day (MGD) average dry weather flow
- 34 MGD average daily flow
- 13 billion gallons of wastewater treated and cleaned annually
- 54 MGD is the design capacity of the treatment plant
- The plant can accommodate 250 MGD of wet weather flow
- Recycled water: approximately 600 million gallons per year (MGY) used for irrigation, industrial processes, and plant operations

From January 1, 2019, to August 19, 2022, CCCSD experienced 84 SSOs. In most cases, the SSOs had point failures at the gravity mainline. Most of the overflows were less than 1,000 gallons of spill material; however, not all material was recovered. The spill with the greatest volume occurred on March 22, 2022, with a volume of 23,800 gallons and reached surface water. However, 19,525 gallons were recovered. The spill was due to the force main being hit by a private drilling contractor.

CCCSD and Mt. View Sanitary District (MVSD) recently embarked on a special study to review and consider governance options. CCCSD recently issued a *Request for Proposals* and will interview selected consultants in early July and award the contract in September 2024.

Governance/SOI options for CCCSD include: 1) retain existing SOI; 2) expand SOI to include MVSD; 3) expand SOI to include County and/or SD No. 6. The MSR also notes that CCCSD and MVSD are currently working together to begin a Consolidation Feasibility Study ("study"). CCCSD recently reported that a Request for Proposals was issued, responses are due in June, and interviews are scheduled for July 9<sup>th</sup>, with an award expected in September. Following release of the study, LAFCO staff will return to the Commission with an update and SOI recommendations for CCCSD and MVSD.

County Sanitation District No. 6 (SD No. 6) – The District was formed in 1992 to provide wastewater service to the Stonehurst subdivision located within the City of Martinez. Stonehurst is a

gated, single-family subdivision consisting of 47 parcels primarily developed during the 1980s. SD No. 6 includes 0.36 square miles (232 acres). Approximately 134 residents live in the community, and little or no growth is anticipated. The area was annexed to the City of Martinez in September 2012 as part of the larger Alhambra Valley annexation. There are no disadvantaged communities within SD No. 6. The District's SOI is coterminous with the district's boundary. SD No. 6 is a dependent special district governed by the five City of Martinez City Council members elected by district.

Each residential parcel within the Stonehurst development participates in SD No. 6, and each parcel has an individual septic system that provides primary treatment. The effluent receives secondary treatment through an on-site wastewater treatment facility and is discharged through a leach field at the top of an adjacent ridge. The effluent is transferred to a small, on-site wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) with 14,100 GPD capacity. Average Dry Weather Flows (ADWF) are estimated at approximately 8,500 GPD.

No SSOs occurred during the 3.3-year timeframe from January 1, 2020 through March 1, 2024.

As noted in the MSR, CCCSD's boundary is less than one mile to the east of SD No. 6. The MSR provides two governance/SOI options including: 1) maintain the status quo, and 2) connect to a sanitary sewer line (CCCSD) at the earliest possible time.

Crockett Community Services District (Crockett CSD) - The District is an independent special district formed in 2006 and provides sewage collection, treatment, and disposal; landscaping; lighting; and recreation. Crockett CSD comprises 1.08± square miles, with a population of approximately 3,432. The district's SOI is not coterminous with its service boundary, as there is a small area near Port Costa that is within the District's SOI but not within the Crockett CSD's service boundary. There are disadvantaged communities within the CCSD. The Crockett CSD is governed by an elected five-member Board of Directors.

Crockett CSD provides sewage collection, treatment, and disposal services to 1,175 properties within the Town of Crockett. Crockett CSD relies on private contractors and nearby public agencies for a significant portion of fieldwork and maintenance.

Crockett CSD flows are conveyed to the C&H Sugar WWTP. C&H Sugar provides treatment services under a 1976 Joint Use Agreement. Under this agreement, C&H Sugar Company and Crockett CSD jointly own the WWTP, and C&H Sugar Company is the operator.

Wastewater infrastructure includes sewer lines, a pump station, and a storage tank as follows:

- sewer lines (approx. 88,100 linear feet)
- pump station (4.0 MGD)
- storage tank (1.0 MG)
- Crockett Sewer pipe (approx. 15.4 miles)
- Port Costa sewer pipe (approx. 1.3 miles)

The Port Costa area has a small WWTP able to accommodate up to 0.033 MGD average dry weather effluent flow.

From January 1, 2019 to August 9, 2022, there were 13 SSOs in CCSD. In most cases, the SSOs had failure points at the gravity mainline. The overflows were relatively small, but most spill material was not recovered. The largest spill within the query results occurred in January 2022, with a volume of 1,120 gallons. None of the sewage spill was recovered, but none of the material reached surface water. The spill reached an unpaved surface and was caused due to root intrusion. A second spill occurred in January 2020 and had a volume of 940 gallons. The spill was caused by debris-rags and did not reach surface water. However, none of the spilled material was recovered. CCSD has successfully reduced the number of spills occurring over time, improving its record.

The Crockett SOI was last updated in 2019 in conjunction with the *City Services MSR*. At that time, the Commission retained the existing SOI. As noted in the 2024 Wastewater MSR, the governance/SOI options for Crockett CSD include: 1) retain the existing SOI; and 2) expand the SOI to include one parcel receiving out-of-agency service to allow for a future annexation to Crockett CSD.

**Delta Diablo (DD)** – DD was formed in 1955 (originally County Sanitation No. 7A) to provide wastewater services. DD currently provides wastewater collection, conveyance, and treatment; recycled water production and distribution; renewable energy production; beneficial biosolids reuse; pretreatment and pollution prevention; street sweeping; and household hazardous waste collection. The District currently serves the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg and the unincorporated Bay Point community; and encompasses 53.1± square miles serving a population of approximately 201,000 people. DD includes disadvantaged communities including census blocks within the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg and the Bay Point community. DD is governed by a three-member Board consisting of elected appointees from the City of Antioch, City of Pittsburg, and Contra Costa County.

#### Wastewater infrastructure includes:

- wastewater treatment plant
- recycled water facility
- 75.5 miles of sewer main
- five wastewater pump stations
- 16 miles of recycled pipeline
- Treatment plant capacity [19.5 MGD (average dry weather flow)]
- Recycled Water (12.8 MGD)

From January 1, 2019 to August 9, 2022, there were two SSO events in DD. The overflows were relatively small, and the spill material was fully recovered for the larger spill event. The larger spill in November 2019 was 60 gallons. This sewage spill was fully recovered, and none of the material reached surface water. The spill reached a paved surface and was caused due to valve issues. The other spill took place in December 2021, with a volume of 15 gallons. The spill was caused by corrosion at the flange that supports the ARV, but it did not reach surface water. None of the spill material was recovered.

The MSR includes two SOI options: 1) maintain the status quo, and 2) consolidate sewer collection services with the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg.

**Discovery Bay Community Services District (DSRSD)** - DSRSD is an independent special district formed in 1998 and serves the unincorporated Discovery Bay community. The District provides water supply; sewage collection, treatment and disposal; levee maintenance; parks and recreation; lighting and landscaping maintenance; and advisory council services.

DSRSD encompasses 4.76± square miles and is predominantly residential with some commercial and irrigation uses. DBCSD serves a population of approximately 15,284 people. There are no disadvantaged communities within the Discovery Bay community. DSRSD is governed by a five-member elected Board of Directors.

Wastewater infrastructure includes two wastewater treatment plants and 15 lift stations. The average annual flow is 1.2 MGD; permitted flow is 2.35 MGD; and peak daily flow is MGD.

The MSR notes that from January 1, 2019, to August 9, 2022 there were three SSO events within DBCSD. All three SSOs were relatively small and had a volume of less than 1,000 gallons. The June 2022 spill had the greatest volume of 975 gallons.

The DSRSD SOI was last updated in 2019 in conjunction with the *City Services MSR*. At that time, the Commission retained the existing SOI. The 2024 MSR includes one governance/SOI option for DBCSD: retain the existing SOI which is consistent with the 2019 MSR/SOI update.

**Ironhouse Sanitary District (ISD)** - ISD is an independent special district formed in 1945 and serves the unincorporated areas of Bethel Island, Holland Tract, and Jersey Island, and the City of Oakley. The District provides collection, treatment and disposal of wastewater.

ISD encompasses 36± square miles and includes residential, commercial, industrial, and open space lands. The District serves a population of approximately 46,391 people. There are disadvantaged communities within ISD including Bethel Island and the City of Oakley. ISD is governed by a five-member elected Board of Directors.

Wastewater infrastructure includes 125 miles of gravity sewer main; 15.9 miles of force main (pressure pipe); and 32 lift stations. The facility design capacity is 4.3 MGD average daily flow (ADF). The Water Recycling Facility (WRF) has 8.6 MGD maximum wet weather flow. Current ADF is 2.52 MGD.

The MSR notes there were four SSOs in ISD from January 1, 2019 to August 9, 2022. Most of the sewer overflows had failure points at the gravity mainline. The largest spill occurred in June 2022, with a spill volume of 3,900 gallons. The spill was caused by a contractor that damaged the force main while installing a storm culvert for Contra Costa County. None of the spill material was recovered, nor did it reach surface water.

ISD has an SSMP that requires ISD to track SSOs and to record volume, location, frequency, and cause. Adjustments are made to prevent further SSOs.

The ISD SOI was last updated in 2014 in conjunction with the 2014 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Wastewater MSR. The 2024 MSR includes two governance options: 1) retain the existing SOI; and 2) future

partnership with neighboring agencies (i.e., City of Brentwood, Delta Diablo). The MSR also noted that in the future, ISD and LAFCO may wish to study the feasibility of expanding ISD's SOI to encompass the entire Knightsen community.

Mt. View Sanitary District (MVSD) - MVSD is an independent special district formed in 1923 and serves incorporated areas in the City of Martinez and unincorporated areas in the Mt. View, Pacheco, Reliez Valley, and Vine Hill areas. MVSD provides wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal. MVSD is an independent special district.

MVSD encompasses  $4.71\pm$  square miles and includes commercial, industrial, public use, and residential land uses. The District provides wastewater services to approximately 9,489 connections including 280 commercial customers and one industrial customer. The District has a population of approximately 22,795. MVSD is governed by a five-member elected Board of Directors.

Wastewater infrastructure includes a wastewater treatment plant, 73 miles of sewer pipelines, approximately two miles of force main, and four pump stations. Treatment plant capacity is 3.2 MGD (design capacity) and 1.04 ADWF. Primary disposal is tertiary treatment and discharge into a series of wetlands and marshlands.

The MSR notes that from January 1, 2019, to August 9, 2022, there were 17 SSO events. In most cases, the SSOs had failure points at the gravity mainline. Most of the SSOs were greater than 1,000 gallons, thus making them relatively large. The largest spill occurred in August 2021, with a volume of 9,209 gallons. The spill was caused by pipe structural failure, and the wastewater moved from the mainline void into the drainage canal. Of the 9,209 gallons of sewage, 8,218 gallons were recovered from the drainage channel. To help improve its ability to collect, treat, and dispose of wastewater, MVSD is working on a Master Plan Study. The Master Plan Study is designed to ensure all infrastructure and equipment assessments are completed, and that planned rehabilitation and replacements are scheduled.

The MVSD SOI was last updated in 2014 in conjunction with the 2014 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Wastewater MSR. The 2024 MSR includes two governance options: 1) maintain the status quo and 2) consolidate with the CCCSD. The MSR also notes that MVSD and CCCSD are currently working together to begin a Consolidation Feasibility Study (Study). CCCSD recently reported that a Request for Proposals was issued, responses are due in June, and interviews are scheduled for July 9th with an award expected in September. Following release of the study, LAFCO staff will return to the Commission with an update and SOI recommendations for CCCSD and MVSD.

**Rodeo Sanitary District (RSD)** – RSD is an independent special district formed in 1914 and serves the unincorporated communities of Rodeo and Tormey. RSD provides collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater as well as contracts for solid waste services with *Republic Services* in Richmond.

RSD encompasses 1.65± square miles and includes residential, light commercial, and public use. The District provides wastewater services to approximately 2,450 connections. RSD has a population of approximately 9,453. RSD is governed by a five-member elected Board of Directors.

Wastewater infrastructure includes a water pollution control plant, 25 miles of gravity sewers, two pump stations, and two force mains. Treatment plant capacity is 0.60 million GPD (ADWF) with 1.14 MGD

capacity. Regarding primary disposal, RSD, the City of Pinole, and the City of Hercules share discharge facilities into San Pablo Bay.

The MSR notes that from January 1, 2019, to August 9, 2022, there were two SSO events. Both SSOs were relatively small; however, the most recent spill was not fully recovered. The first spill occurred in March 2020, with a volume of 25 gallons. This spill was caused by an Air Relief Valve /Blow-Off Valve failure. The spill did not reach surface water, and the total spill volume was recovered. The second spill occurred in May 2022, with a volume of 51 gallons. The cause of the spill was a small rubber ball found in the downstream maintenance hole. This spill did not reach surface water, and only two gallons were recovered.

The RSD SOI was last updated in 2014 in conjunction with the 2014 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Wastewater MSR. The 2024 MSR includes three governance options for RSD: 1) maintain the status quo; 2) expand the SOI to include the unincorporated community of Tormey and an area to the north [19 wastewater connections including residential and commercial]; and 3) potential consolidation with another service provider (i.e., City of Hercules, City of Pinole, CCCSD).

**Stege Sanitary District (SSD)** - SSD is an independent special district formed in 1913 and serves the City of El Cerrito, the unincorporated community of Kensington, and a portion of the Richmond Annex community. SSD provides wastewater collection services and EBMUD provides treatment and disposal services via a treatment plant in Oakland. SSD is governed by a five-member elected Board of Directors.

SSD has a population of approximately 38,000 and encompasses  $5.3\pm$  square miles which includes commercial, industrial, open space, and residential. SSD provides wastewater services to approximately 13,123 connections.

Wastewater infrastructure includes 148 miles of collection lines and two pump stations. EBMUD disposes of treated effluent through an outfall into the San Francisco Bay.

The MSR notes that from January 1, 2019, to August 9, 2022, there were 31 SSO events within the SSD. All the SSOs had failure points at the gravity mainline. The majority of the overflows were relatively small. The largest spill had a volume of 14,000 gallons and took place in October 2021. This spill occurred due to a rainfall event exceeding design capacity, and none of the spill material was recovered. All the spill material reached the surface water. Another significant spill occurred in January 2019, with a volume of 4,250 gallons. This spill occurred due to heavy rains and grease blockage. None of the spill material was recovered, and all the material reached surface water.

SSD currently provides conveyance service to 101 homes outside its current boundaries by contract with the City of Richmond. Annexation of this area is an option; however, however, this area is subject to landslide activity which makes underground sewer lines costly to maintain.

The SSD was last updated in 2014 in conjunction with the 2014 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Wastewater MSR. The 2024 MSR includes three governance options for SSD: 1) maintain the status quo; 2) annex the 101 homes that are currently receiving SSD wastewater services; and 3) merge or consolidate with EBMUD or West County Wastewater District.

West County Wastewater District (WCWD) - WCWD is an independent special district formed in 1921 and serves the city of San Pablo, most of the City of Richmond, and a small portion of the City of Pinole. WCWD provides wastewater collection, treatment and disposal. WCWD is governed by a five-member elected Board of Directors.

WCWD has a population of approximately 102,000 and encompasses approximately  $16.9\pm$  square miles which includes residential, commercial, industrial, and public uses. WCWD provides wastewater services to approximately 26,000 residential and business sewer connections

Wastewater infrastructure includes a water pollution control plant, 249 linear miles of sewer pipeline, and 17 pump stations. The MSR notes that from January 1, 2019 to August 9, 2022 there were 31 SSO events within the WCWD. In most cases, the SSOs had failure points at the gravity mainline. Some of the overflows had significant spill volumes. The spill that took place on March 30, 2020, had the greatest spill volume of 193,380 gallons. None of the spilled material was recovered and the entire spill volume reached surface water. A structural failure of the pipe caused the spill. Another significant spill occurred on October 24, 2021, with a volume of 111,376 gallons. None of the spilled material was recovered. Instead, the entire spill volume reached surface water. The spill was caused by root intrusion. Overall, many of the SSOs within the query were not recovered.

WCWD is reducing the risk of future SSOs through its Sewer Ordinance update, which requires testing of building sewers and sewer laterals under specific circumstances. Sewers and laterals that do not pass the prescribed tests must be repaired or replaced per WCWD's policies.

The WCWD was last updated in 2014 in conjunction with the 2014 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Wastewater MSR. The 2024 MSR includes three governance options for WCWD: 1) retain the existing SOI; 2) reduce the SOI; or 3) expand the SOI to encompass existing out-of-agency service areas

**Multi-County Districts** - Regarding **DSRSD** and **EBMUD**, Alameda LAFCO is the "principal" LAFCO and determines the SOIs for these two districts. Regarding SOI updates for Crockett CSD and Discovery Bay CSD, no SOI updates are needed as LAFCO updated these SOIs within the past five years. Regarding SOI updates for CCCSD and MVSD, LAFCO staff recommends deferring these SOI updates following a special study by CCCSD covering both CCCSD and MVSD. The SOI options and recommendations are presented in the table below.

Agency	SOI Options	Recommendation
Byron Sanitary District	<ul> <li>Retain existing SOI</li> <li>Expand the SOI to include the entire Orrin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility</li> </ul>	Expand the SOI to include the entire Orrin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility and urge BSD to annex the subject area
Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD)	<ul> <li>Retain existing SOI</li> <li>Expand SOI to include Mt. View Sanitary District</li> <li>Expand SOI to include County Sanitation District No. 6</li> </ul>	Defer SOI update pending CCCSD/MVSD special study
County San No. 6	Retain existing zero SOI	Retain existing zero SOI signaling dissolution
Crockett CSD	<ul> <li>Retain existing SOI</li> <li>Expand SOI to include one parcel receiving out-of-agency service</li> </ul>	Retain existing SOI; no SOI update needed
Delta Diablo	<ul> <li>Retain existing SOI</li> <li>Consolidate sewer collection service with the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg</li> </ul>	Retain existing SOI
Discovery Bay CSD	Retain existing SOI	Retain existing SOI; no SOI update needed
Ironhouse San	Retain existing SOI	Retain existing SOI
Mt. View San	<ul><li>Retain existing SOI</li><li>Consolidate with CCCSD</li></ul>	Defer SOI update pending CCCSD/MVSD special study
Rodeo San	<ul> <li>Retain existing SOI</li> <li>Expand SOI to include Tormey</li> <li>Consolidate sanitary sewer service with nearby service provider(s)</li> </ul>	Retain existing SOI
Stege San	<ul> <li>Retain existing coterminous SOI</li> <li>Expand SOI to include 101 homes</li> <li>Merge or consolidate with EBMUD or West County WW District</li> </ul>	Retain existing SOI
West County WW District	<ul> <li>Retain existing SOI</li> <li>Annex islands</li> <li>Annex areas receiving WCWD services that are currently outside the District's boundary</li> <li>Merge or consolidate with nearby wastewater service provider</li> </ul>	Retain existing SOI

### **ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**

The MSR is a study intended to serve as an informational tool to assist LAFCO, local agencies, and the public better understand the public service structure in Contra Costa County. The MSR study and determinations are Categorically Exempt under §15306, Class 6 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. The proposed LAFCO SOI updates are exempt under the General Rule exemption §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Receive the staff report and the consultants' presentation and open the public hearing to receive public comments;
- 2. After receiving public comments, close the hearing;
- 3. Provide comments as desired;
- 4. Accept the 3<sup>rd</sup> round *Wastewater MSR*;
- 5. Adopt the MSR/SOI determinations by resolutions attached hereto;
- 6. Determine that the MSR project is Categorically Exempt pursuant to §15306, Class 6 of the CEQA Guidelines; and
- 7. Determine that the SOI updates are Categorically Exempt pursuant to §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines; and

Sincerely,

LOU ANN TEXEIRA EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### Attachments:

- 1 Resolution and Map Updating SOI Byron Sanitary District
- 2 Resolution and Map Updating SOI County San No. 6
- 3 Resolution and Map Updating SOI Delta Diablo
- 4 Resolution and Map Updating SOI Ironhouse San
- 5 Resolution and Map Updating SOI Rodeo San
- 6 Resolution and Map Updating SOI Stege San
- 7 Resolution and Map Updating SOI West County WWD
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## RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

#### APPROVING A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE FOR BYRON SANITARY DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425 requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425(f) requires that LAFCO review and update the SOI boundaries every five years, or as necessary; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56430 requires that a municipal service review (MSR) be conducted prior to or in conjunction with an SOI update; and

**WHEREAS,** LAFCO conducted a 3<sup>rd</sup> round, countywide review of wastewater service providers, which includes the Byron Sanitary District (BSD), and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code §56430 on June 12, 2024; and

WHEREAS, BSD was originally formed in 1948 and operational in 1958 and provides sewage collection, treatment and disposal services and solid waste by contact to the Byron community; and

**WHEREAS**, BSD serves a population of approximately 700 with approximately 278 connections in a service area of approximately 0.53± square miles; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use, or development will occur as a result of updating the District's SOI; and

**WHEREAS,** in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the SOI action; and

WHEREAS, the SOI update was duly considered at a public hearing held on June 12, 2024; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED** that the Contra Costa LAFCO does hereby:

- 1. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update is categorically exempt under §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. Expand the SOI to include the Orrin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility to allow for future annexation of this area. BSD currently provides service to this area.
- 3. Determine that the Commission has considered the criteria set forth in Government Code §56425 as follows:
  - a. Present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands The major portion of BSD's service area is comprised of the Byron community and an area along Camino Diablo. BSD lies within the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento Delta Estuary watershed. The Byron community contains single-family residential development, commercial and industrial development, schools, churches, and wineries. No land use changes will result from this SOI update.
  - b. Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area There are approximately 234 dwelling units within BSD. Current population is 676. Growth within BSD is expected to be limited over the next 10 to 20 years. Some limited residential development may occur. Growth within BSD is expected to reach a population of 712 by the year 2045.
  - c. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide BSD's average daily dry weather limit is 96,000 gallons per day

- (GPD) (April through October) and average daily flow (ADF) limit is 100,800 (November through March). Facilities include a wastewater treatment plant; 12,174 linear feet of sewer collection pipeline; and 278 connections.
- d. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency BSD provides services within the Byron community and an adjacent area along Camino Diablo. Primary revenue sources include sewer charges; property taxes; and interest income. Property owners and ratepayers within the area have an economic interest in receiving services from this investment. The SOI update will not affect the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area that are relevant to BSD.
- e. Present and probable need for those public facilities and services of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) within the existing SOI There are no DUCs located within or adjacent to BSD's SOI.
- f. Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided BSD provides sewage collection, treatment, disposal and solid waste by contract to the Byron community and an area along Camino Diablo.

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT:

CHAIR, CONTRA COSTA LAFCO

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by this Commission on the date stated above.

Dated: June 12, 2024

Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer

Byron Sanitary District Boundary and SOI **Byron Hwy** County Urban Limit Line **Parcels Byron Sanitary District** Hoffman-Ln-Bixler-Rd Byron Sanitary District SOI Byer-Rd Hannum Dr Byron Tract Byron Solara Ct Coletas Way Holway Dr **Camino Diablo** Camino Diablo 1st St By LAFCO action on 6/11/2014, **BSD** boundary and SOI were approved This map or dataset was created by the Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development with data from the Contra Costa County GIS Program. Some base data, primarily City Limits, is derived from the CA State Board of Equalization's Feet Map created 06/23/2014

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### RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION APPROVING A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE FOR COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 6

- WHEREAS, Government Code §56425 requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and
- **WHEREAS,** Government Code §56425(f) requires that LAFCO review and update the SOI boundaries every five years, as necessary; and
- WHEREAS, Government Code §56430 requires that a municipal service review (MSR) be conducted prior to or in conjunction with an SOI update; and
- **WHEREAS,** LAFCO conducted a 3<sup>rd</sup> round, countywide review of wastewater service providers, which includes County Sanitation District No. 6 (SD No. 6), and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code §56430 on June 12, 2024; and
- **WHEREAS**, SD No. 6 was 1992 to provide wastewater service to the Stonehurst Subdivision (Alhambra Valley), located in the City of Martinez; and
- **WHEREAS,** the District serves 0.36 square miles, 47 developed parcels, and approximately 134 residents, and uses septic tank systems; community disposal system with sand filter; UV disinfection; and leach field disposal; and
- **WHEREAS**, the current collection and treatment system provides minimum service per the approved operating permit from the State; and
- **WHEREAS**, since its inception, the SD No. 6 wastewater collection facilities and treatment plant were considered a temporary system and were not intended to operate in perpetuity. This system has not been maintained to the same standard as a permanent system; and
  - WHEREAS, the City of Martinez City Council District is the governing body of SD No. 6; and
- **WHEREAS**, the 2024 MSR identified two SOI option for SD No. 6 including 1) retain the zero SOI, and 2) consolidate with Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD); and
- **WHEREAS**, retaining a zero SOI is recommended for SD No. 6. This will allow SD No. 6 to continue to exist and allow the two districts to pursue a reorganization with CCCSD; and
- WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use or development will occur as a result of updating the District's SOI; and
- **WHEREAS**, in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the SOI action; and
  - WHEREAS, the SOI update was duly considered at a public hearing held on June 12, 2024; and

## **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED** that the Contra Costa LAFCO does hereby:

- 1. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update is categorically exempt under §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. Update and retain a zero SOI for SD No. 6 as described above and generally depicted on Exhibit A attached hereto.

- 3. Determine that the Commission has considered the criteria set forth in Government Code §56425 as follows:
- a. The present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands The District has no land use authority for the area within its boundary. SD No. 6's boundary encompasses the 47-parcel Stonehurst subdivision plus one non-contiguous parcel, all of which will continue to need wastewater services. The area is mostly developed. The SOI update will not adversely affect present or planned land uses.
- b. *The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area* Approximately 100 residents live within the District; little or no growth is anticipated. There will be a continued need for wastewater services. No changes in public facilities or services will result from the SOI update.
- c. The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide The current collection and treatment system provides minimum service per the approved operating permit from the State. The State's order mandates connection of the subdivision to a municipal sewer service, and closure of the SD No. 6 onsite wastewater treatment and disposal system as soon as feasible. The County will continue to provide service until such time as services are available from CCCSD. No changes in public facilities or services provided by SD No. 6 will result from this SOI update.
- d. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency SD No. 6 was formed in 1992, and the property owners funded the construction of the treatment and disposal facilities. The property owners pay an annual service charge for the system to be operated and maintained; and therefore, have an economic interest in receiving services from this investment. The SOI update will not affect the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area that are relevant to SD No. 6.
- e. Present and probable need for those public facilities and services of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) within the existing SOI There are no DUCs within or contiguous to the SD No. 6 SOI.
- f. *Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided* SD No. 6 provides wastewater service to the Stonehurst subdivision within the City of Martinez. The SD No. 6 boundary is 237+ acres with 48 parcels, most of which are developed. Each parcel within the District has an individual septic system; the effluent receives secondary treatment at a community wastewater treatment plant owned by SD No. 6 and is discharged through a leach field at the top of an adjacent ridge. The system is managed by the County through an outside contractor.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 12th day of June 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT:

CHAIR, CONTRA COSTA LAFCO

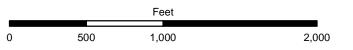
I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by this Commission on the date stated above.

Dated: June 12, 2024

Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer

County Sanitation District No. 6 (Alhambra Valley) and Zero SOI By LAFCO action on 06/11/2014, CSD No. 6 boundary and Zero SOI Summerhill Ln Jiew Ct were approved Stone Tone Valley Ct **MARTINEZ** Alhambra Valley Rd Stonehurst Dr Deer Creek Dr County Sanitation No. 6 Alhambra Cross Creek D Valley ! City Boundaries Alhambra Valley Rd **Parcels** Alhambra Creek Rd County Urban Limit Line

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## RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

## APPROVING A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE FOR DELTA DIABLO

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425 requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425(f) requires that LAFCO review and update the SOI boundaries every five years, or as necessary; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56430 requires that a municipal service review (MSR) be conducted prior to or in conjunction with an SOI update; and

**WHEREAS,** LAFCO conducted a 3<sup>rd</sup> round, countywide review of wastewater service providers, which includes Delta Diablo (DD), and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code §56430 on June 12, 2024; and

WHEREAS, DD was formed in 1955 (originally County Sanitation District No. 75) and provides wastewater collection and conveyance, treatment and disposal, recycled treatment ,household hazardous waste collection and reuse/disposal, street sweeping; and

**WHEREAS**, DD serves a population of approximately 201,000 with approximately 12,778 connections in a service area of approximately 54± square miles; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use, or development will occur as a result of updating the District's SOI; and

**WHEREAS,** in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the SOI action; and

WHEREAS, the SOI update was duly considered at a public hearing held on June 12, 2024; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED** that the Contra Costa LAFCO does hereby:

- 1. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update is categorically exempt under §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. Retain the existing SOI for DD.
- 3. Determine that the Commission has considered the criteria set forth in Government Code §56425 as follows:
  - a. Present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands DD serves the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg and the unincorporated Bay Point community comprising 54± square miles. Land uses include residential, commercial, industrial, and open space. No land use changes will result from this SOI update.
  - b. Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area DD's service area is expected to experience steady growth over the next 20 to 25 years. The Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) projects the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg to grow from a total of 176,650 (2020) to a total of 222,340 (2040). The Bay Point community has a population of 23,436 (2024).
  - c. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide DD has 72,066 connections; and recycled water is sent to 29 sites. DD's facilities include a wastewater treatment plant and recycled water facility; 75.5 linear miles of sanitary sewer pipeline; five wastewater pump stations; and 16.2 miles of recycled pipeline. DD treats 19.5 million gallons of wastewater per day (average dry weather flow); and generates 12.8 million gallons of recycled water. On an average annual basis, 50% of the

- influent flow is further treated for reuse; the remaining 50% is discharged through a deep-water outfall.
- d. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency DD provides services to the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg and the unincorporated Bay Point community cities of Antioch and Pittsburg and the unincorporated Bay Point community. Primary revenue sources include service charges and permits. The District also receives a portion of the 1% property tax. Property owners and ratepayers within the area have an economic interest in receiving services from this investment. The SOI update will not affect the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area that are relevant to DD.
- e. Present and probable need for those public facilities and services of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) within the existing SOI There are DUCs located within DD's SOI.
- f. Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided DD provides wastewater collection and conveyance, treatment and disposal, recycled treatment, household hazardous waste collection and reuse/disposal, and street sweeping services to the cities of Antioch and Pittsburg and to the Bay Point community.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT:

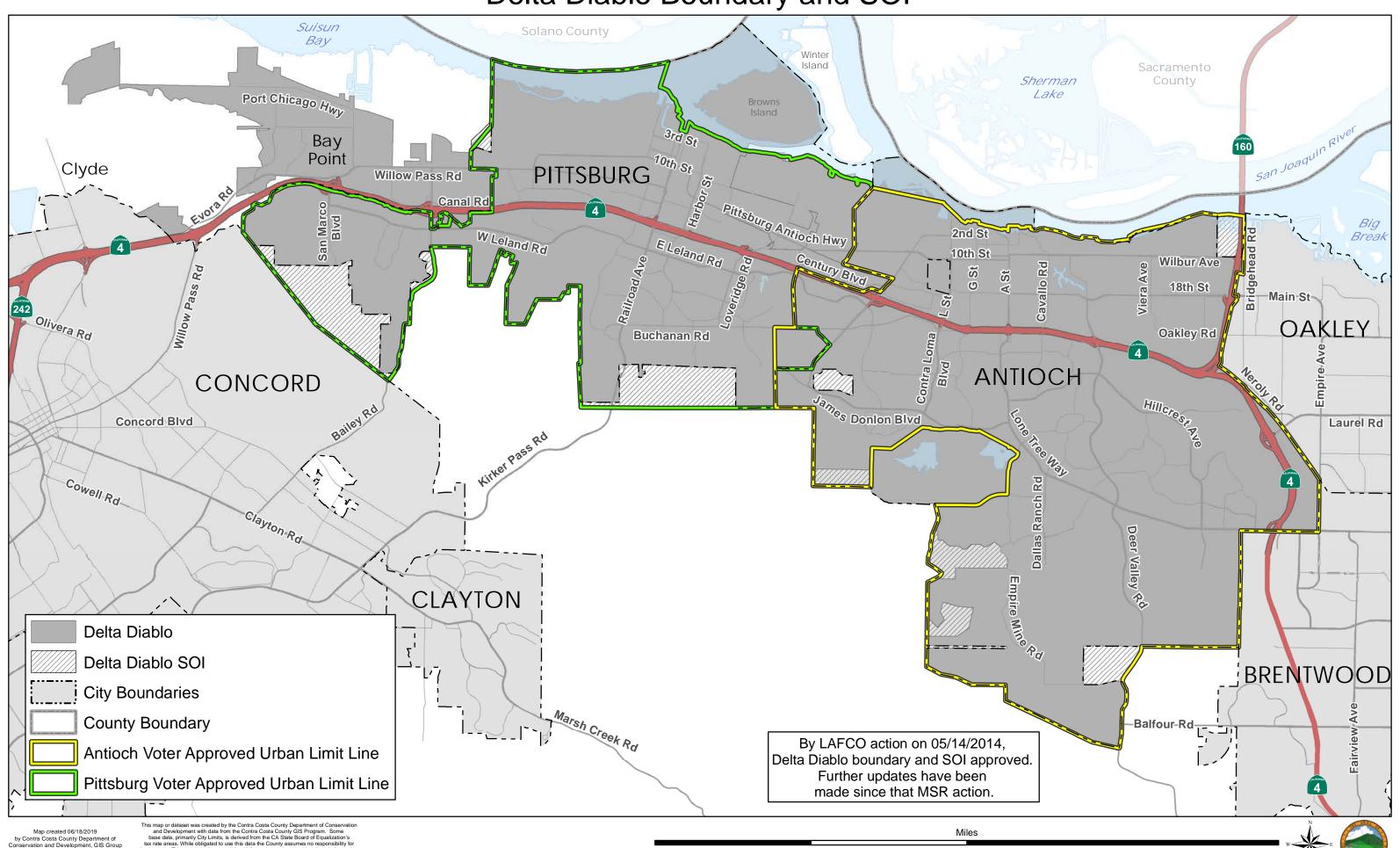
CHAIR, CONTRA COSTA LAFCO

I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by this Commission on the date stated above.

Dated: June 12, 2024

Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer

# Delta Diablo Boundary and SOI



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## RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

## APPROVING A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE FOR IRONHOUSE SANITARY DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425 requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425(f) requires that LAFCO review and update the SOI boundaries every five years, or as necessary; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56430 requires that a municipal service review (MSR) be conducted prior to or in conjunction with an SOI update; and

**WHEREAS,** LAFCO conducted a 3<sup>rd</sup> round, countywide review of wastewater service providers, which includes the Ironhouse Sanitary District (ISD), and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code §56430 on June 12, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, ISD was originally formed in 1945 under the Oakley Sanitary District and provides sewage collection, treatment and disposal services to the City of Oakley, Bethel Island, Jersey Island and Holland Tract; and

**WHEREAS**, ISD serves a population of approximately 46,391 with approximately 12,778 connections in a service area of approximately  $37\pm$  square miles; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use, or development will occur as a result of updating the District's SOI; and

**WHEREAS**, in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the SOI action; and

WHEREAS, the SOI update was duly considered at a public hearing held on June 12, 2024; and

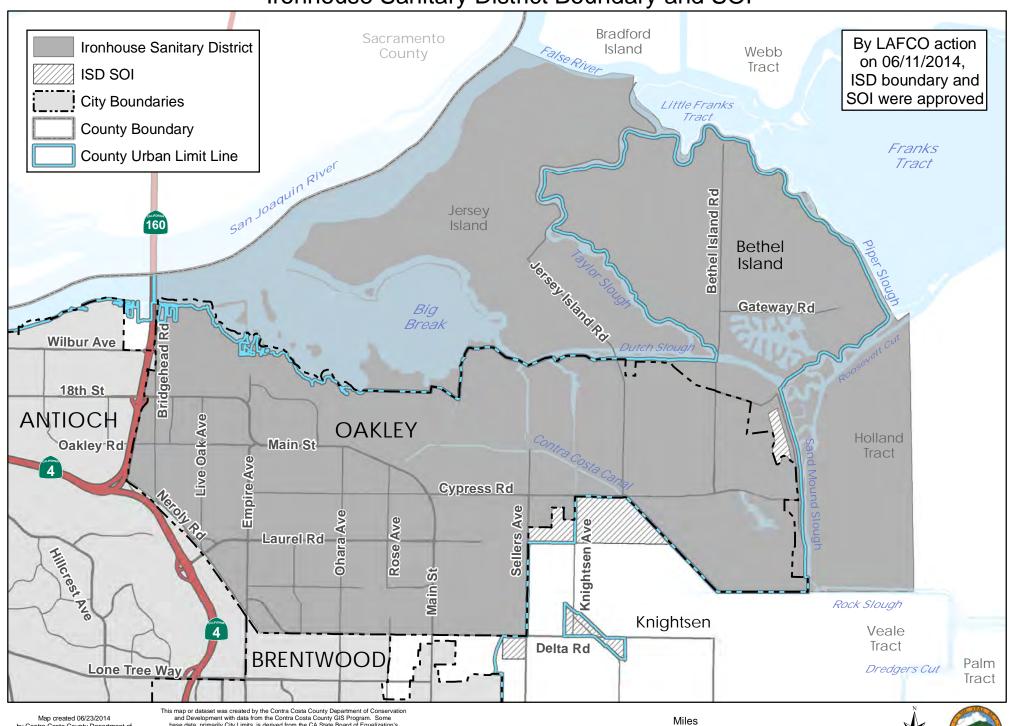
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED** that the Contra Costa LAFCO does hereby:

- 1. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update is categorically exempt under §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. Retain the existing SOI for ISD.
- 3. Determine that the Commission has considered the criteria set forth in Government Code §56425 as follows:
  - a. Present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands The major portion of ISD's service area is comprised of the City of Oakley and the unincorporated community of Bethel Island. The City of Oakley's General Plan includes a broad mix of land uses, including residential, commercial, industrial, recreational and public land uses. The vast majority of Oakley is, as it will be in the future, developed as residential communities of varying densities. Bethel Island, a residential/vacation area, is expected to remain largely residential in nature. No land use changes will result from this SOI update.
  - b. Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area ISD's service area is expected to experience steady growth over the next 20 to 25 years. The Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) projects the City of Oakley to grow from 31,950 in 2010 to a population of 42,950 in 2035. Bethel Island, with a 2010 Census population of 2,137, is also expected to grow with a projected population of 9,706 by 2025.

- c. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide ISD's facility design capacity is 4.3 million gallons per day (MGD) average daily flow (ADF). The water recycling facility has 8.6 MGD maximum wet weather flow. The current ADF is 2.52 MGD. The water recycling has 125 miles of gravity sewer main; 15.9 miles of force main (pressure pipe)l and 32 lift stations. ISD has approximately 12,778 wastewater service connections (equivalent service units) and provides service to approximately 46,391 community residents.
- d. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency ISD provides services within the City of Oakley, Bethel Island, Jersey Island and Holland Tract. ISD collects service charges from existing users and fees for new development; the District also receives a portion of the 1% property tax. Property owners and ratepayers within the area have an economic interest in receiving services from this investment. The SOI update will not affect the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area that are relevant to ISD.
- e. Present and probable need for those public facilities and services of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) within the existing SOI There are DUCs located within ISD's SOI.
- f. Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided ISD provides sewage collection, treatment and disposal services to the City of Oakley, the unincorporated community of Bethel Island, and other unincorporated areas in east Contra Costa County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 12th day of June 2024, by the following vote:
AYES:
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT:
CHAIR, CONTRA COSTA LAFCO
I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by this Commission on the date stated above.
Dated: June 12, 2024
Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer

Ironhouse Sanitary District Boundary and SOI



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## RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

## APPROVING A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE FOR RODEO SANITARY DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425 requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425(f) requires that LAFCO review and update the SOI boundaries every five years, or as necessary; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56430 requires that a municipal service review (MSR) be conducted prior to or in conjunction with an SOI update; and

WHEREAS, LAFCO conducted a 3<sup>rd</sup> round, countywide review of wastewater service providers, which includes Rodeo Sanitary District (RSD), and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code §56430 on June 12, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, RSD was formed in 1914 and provides wastewater collection, treatment and disposal; and contracts with Republic Services in Richmond for solid waste services; and

**WHEREAS**, RSD serves a population of approximately 9,453 residents with approximately 2,514 connections in a service area of approximately  $1.6\pm$  square miles; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use, or development will occur as a result of updating the District's SOI; and

**WHEREAS**, in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the SOI action; and

WHEREAS, the SOI update was duly considered at a public hearing held on June 12, 2024; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED** that the Contra Costa LAFCO does hereby:

- 1. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update is categorically exempt under §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. Retain the existing SOI for DD.
- 3. Determine that the Commission has considered the criteria set forth in Government Code §56425 as follows:
  - a. Present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands RSD serves the unincorporated areas of Rodeo and Tormey comprising 1.6± square miles. Land uses include residential, light commercial, and public uses. No land use changes will result from this SOI update.
  - b. *Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area* RSD's service area is expected to increase by 15.1 percent within the 23-year period.
  - c. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide RSD facilities include a water pollution control plant, 25 miles of gravity sewers, two pump stations, and two force mains. RSD treats 0.60 million gallons per day (MGD) average daily dry weather flow. Plant capacity is 1.14 MGD. RSD and the cities of Hercules and Pinole share discharge facilities into San Pablo Bay.
  - d. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency RSD provides services to the unincorporated communities of Rodeo and Tormey. Primary revenue sources include service charges and permits. The District also receives a portion of the 1% property tax. Property owners and

ratepayers within the area have an economic interest in receiving services from this investment. The SOI update will not affect the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area that are relevant to RSD.

- e. Present and probable need for those public facilities and services of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) within the existing SOI - There are DUCs located within RSD's SOI.
- f. Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided RSD provides Republic Services in Richmond..

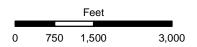
wastewater collection, treatment and disposal; and contracts for solid waste services with PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 12th day of June 2024, by the following vote: AYES: NOES: ABSTENTIONS: ABSENT: CHAIR, CONTRA COSTA LAFCO I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by this Commission on the date stated above. Dated: June 12, 2024 Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer

Rodeo Sanitary District Boundary and SOI By LAFCO action on 05/14/2014, Carquinez Strait Rodeo Sanitary District existing boundary and SOI were approved. Crockett San-Pablo Ave San Pablo Cummings-Skwy Bay Parker Ave Parker Av 80 Rodeo **HERCULES** Rodeo Sanitary District **RSD SOI** Willow Ave Bayberry Ave

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City Boundaries

## RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

#### APPROVING A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE FOR STEGE SANITARY DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425 requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425(f) requires that LAFCO review and update the SOI boundaries every five years, or as necessary; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56430 requires that a municipal service review (MSR) be conducted prior to or in conjunction with an SOI update; and

WHEREAS, LAFCO conducted a 3<sup>rd</sup> round, countywide review of wastewater service providers, which includes Stege Sanitary District (SSD), and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code §56430 on June 12, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, SSD was formed in 1913 and provides wastewater collection services to the City of El Cerrito, the unincorporated Kensington community, and of portion of the Richmond Annex area; and

**WHEREAS**, SSD serves a population of approximately 35,000 residents with approximately 13,123 connections in a service area of approximately 5.3+ square miles; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use, or development will occur as a result of updating the District's SOI; and

**WHEREAS**, in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the SOI action; and

WHEREAS, the SOI update was duly considered at a public hearing held on June 12, 2024; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED** that the Contra Costa LAFCO does hereby:

- 1. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update is categorically exempt under §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. Retain the existing SOI for SSD.
- 3. Determine that the Commission has considered the criteria set forth in Government Code §56425 as follows:
  - a. Present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands SSD serves the City of El Cerrito, the unincorporated community of Kensington, and of portion of the Richmond Annex area comprising 5.3± square miles. Land uses include residential, commercial, industrial, and open space. No land use changes will result from this SOI update.
  - b. *Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area* SSD's service area is expected to increase by 15.1 percent within the 23-year period.
  - c. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide SSD facilities include 148 miles of collection lines and two pump stations. The collection system has an Average Dry Weather Flow of 3.0 million gallons per day (MGD) and an Average Wet Weather Flow between 5-6 MGD. SSD treats 0.60 million MGD average daily dry weather flow. The East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) treatment plant disposes of treated effluent through an outfall into San Francisco Bay. SSD currently provides wastewater conveyance service to 101 homes outside its current boundaries by contract with the City of Richmond. Annexation of this area is an option; however, this area is subject to landslide activity which makes underground sewer lines costly to maintain.

- d. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency – SSD provides services to the City of El Cerrito, unincorporated communities of Kensington, and a portion of the Richmond Annex area. Primary revenue sources include sewer service charges and a portion of the 1% property tax. Property owners and ratepayers within the area have an economic interest in receiving services from this investment. The SOI update will not affect the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area that are relevant to SSD.
- e. Present and probable need for those public facilities and services of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) within the existing SOI - There is a DUC located within SSD's SOI.
- f. Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided SSD provides wastewater services to the City of El Cerrito, unincorporated community of Kensington, and a portion of the Richmond Annex area in Richmond.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024, by the following vote: AYES: NOES: ABSTENTIONS: ABSENT: CHAIR, CONTRA COSTA LAFCO I hereby certify that this is a correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by this Commission on the date stated above. Dated: June 12, 2024 Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer

Stege Sanitary District Boundary and Coterminous SOI San Pablo East Richmond Heights Reservoir St **Barrett Ave RICHMOND Cutting Blvd** Potrero Ave **EL CERRITO** RICHMOND MoeserLn Richmond Kensington Inner Harbor Route Stege Sanitary District Blvc By LAFCO action City Boundaries on 05/14/2014, SSD boundary **County Boundary BERKELEY** and coterminous SOI Alameda **ALBANY** 80 County Urban Limit Line County were approved This map or dataset was created by the Contra Costa County Department of Conservation Miles

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## RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

## APPROVING A SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE FOR WEST COUNTY WASTEWATER DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425 requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56425(f) requires that LAFCO review and update the SOI boundaries every five years, or as necessary; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §56430 requires that a municipal service review (MSR) be conducted prior to or in conjunction with an SOI update; and

WHEREAS, LAFCO conducted a 3<sup>rd</sup> round, countywide review of wastewater service providers, which includes West County Wastewater District (WCWD), and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code §56430 on June 12, 2024; and

WHEREAS, WCWD was formed in 1921 and provides wastewater collection, treatment and disposal services to the City of San Pablo, City of Richmond (portion), City of Pinole (portion), and unincorporated areas in West County including East Richmond Heights, El Sobrante, Montalvin Manor, North Richmond, and Tara Hills; and

**WHEREAS**, WCWD serves a population of approximately 102,000 residents with approximately 25,838 residential and business sewer connections in a service area of approximately 16.9± square miles; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use, or development will occur as a result of updating the District's SOI; and

**WHEREAS,** in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the SOI action; and

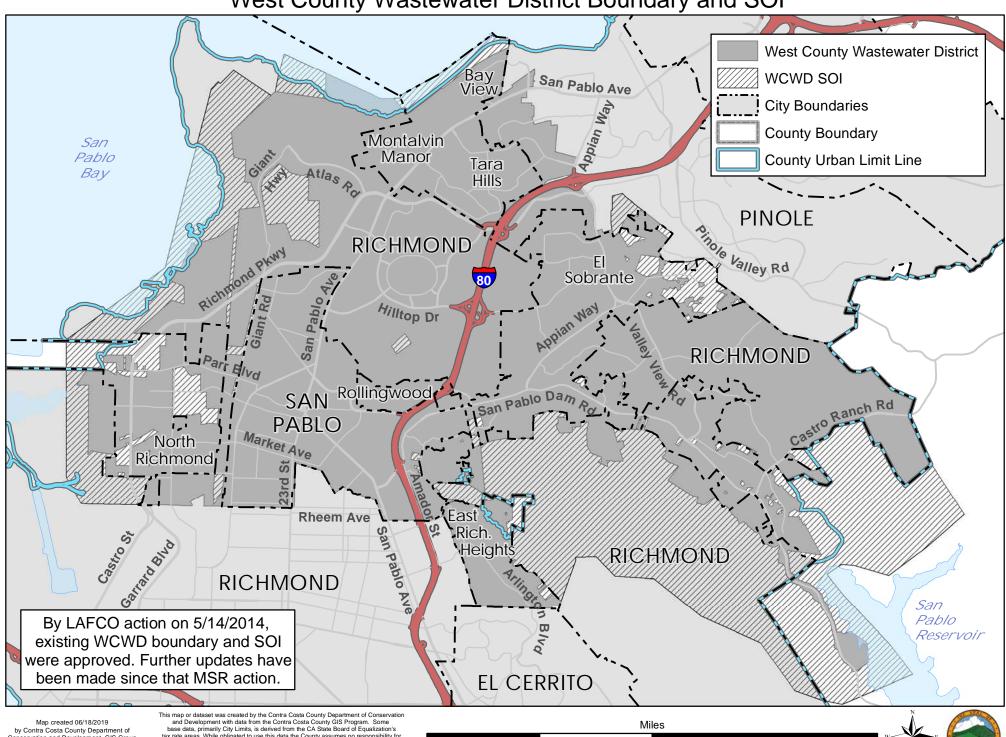
WHEREAS, the SOI update was duly considered at a public hearing held on June 12, 2024; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED** that the Contra Costa LAFCO does hereby:

- 1. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update is categorically exempt under §15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. Retain the existing SOI for WCWD.
- 3. Determine that the Commission has considered the criteria set forth in Government Code §56425 as follows:
  - a. Present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands WCWD comprises 16.9± square miles, and serves the City of San Pablo, a portion of the City of Richmond, and unincorporated areas including East Richmond Heights, El Sobrante, Montalvin Manor, North Richmond, and Rollingwood. Land uses include residential, commercial, industrial, and public use. No land use changes will result from this SOI update.
  - b. *Present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area* WCWD's service area is expected to increase by approximately 17% by 2045.
  - c. Present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide WCWD facilities include 249 linear miles of sewer pipeline, a water pollution control plant, and 17 pump stations. The treatment plant capacity processes 12.5 million gallons per day (MGD) (dry weather), and 21 MGD (wet weather).

- d. Existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency WCWD provides services to the City of San Pablo, portions of the cities on Pinole and Richmond, and other unincorporated areas within Contra Costa County. Primary revenue sources include sewer service charges and a portion of the 1% property tax. Property owners and ratepayers within the area have an economic interest in receiving services from this investment. The SOI update will not affect the existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area that are relevant to WCWD.
- e. Present and probable need for those public facilities and services of any disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) within the existing SOI There are disadvantaged communities with WCWD including the City of San Pablo, portions of the cities of El Cerrito and Richmond, and unincorporated North Richmond.
- f. Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided WCWD provides wastewater services to the City of San Pablo, portions of the cities of Pinole and Richmond, and unincorporated communities of Bayview, El Sobrante, Rollingwood, and Tara Hills.

West County Wastewater District Boundary and SOI



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