

SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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TO: Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission

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RE: **UPDATE: PROPOSED CITY OF ELK GROVE SPHERE OF
INFLUENCE AMENDMENT (L AFC# 09-10/ SCH # 2010092076)**

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file report.

BACKGROUND:

This report is to update your Commission and interested parties on the proposed Elk Grove Sphere of Influence Amendment proceedings.

Sacramento LAFCo is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act, and has prepared the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (RDEIR) as part of the ongoing environmental review for the proposal. The RDIER is considered a Recirculated DEIR because significant new information has been added or changed in portions of the Draft EIR after it was initially circulated for public comment in September 2011. In the interest of furthering public understanding of the CEQA analysis, the entire document is being recirculated. To be clear, this current document is referred to as the Recirculated Draft EIR (RDEIR), and the previously circulated Draft EIR may be referred to as the Draft EIR (DEIR.)

As provided in CEQA Guidelines [Sec. 15088.5(g),] a summary of revisions made to the DEIR has been prepared, (Attached.) This summary is not an exhaustive list of all edits, revisions, or amendments; rather this summary provides a general overview of the location and type of incorporated edits most pertinent to CEQA analysis requirements.

The RDEIR has been released, and the public is invited to review and provide comment. Please note that the public comment review will run for the maximum permissible time period of sixty (60) days. **The comment period is March 21, 2013 through 4 PM May 21, 2013.**

In response to public requests, your Commission directed staff to provide an opportunity for public review and comments in Elk Grove. Staff will conduct a public meeting to receive comments on the RDEIR from **6 to 7:30PM on April 23**. The Cosumnes Community Services District has graciously agreed to provide meeting space at the *Barbara Morse Wackford Community & Aquatic Complex at 9014 Bruceville Road in Elk Grove* for the benefit of the community. Your Commission will also provide the opportunity for public comments at the regularly scheduled Commission meeting on **May 1**. Staff encourages written comments, which may be submitted via US Mail, or e-mail (Don.Lockhart@SacLAFCo.org).

The RDEIR may be reviewed online at www.saclafco.org. Hard copy may be reviewed at LAFCo offices (M-F 8-4,) Elk Grove City Hall (8400 Laguna Palms Way,) the Elk Grove Library (8900 Elk Grove Blvd.) and the Franklin Community Library (10055 Franklin High Rd.)

SCHEDULE (TENTATIVE)

The RDEIR public review and comment period will be open for sixty days, from March 21 through May 21.

JUNE/JULY: After the close of the comment period, staff will work with the environmental consultants to review and prepare responses to all public and agency comments received.

JULY/AUGUST: Staff will work with the environmental consultants to review and prepare the Final EIR.

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER: Staff will work with the environmental consultants to review and prepare the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, and the Statement of Findings and Overriding Considerations.

OCTOBER: Public Hearing.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMENTS:

1. Concurrently with the RDEIR public review, the Municipal Services Review will be circulated once more for agency and public review. (Please note, the MSR is not subject to CEQA.)
2. At the close of the RDEIR public review period, all comments will be reviewed and the Final EIR with responses to the comments will be prepared.
3. Staff will also continue the project analysis, and preparation of the Executive Officer's Report.

Together, these three components constitute the material that will be provided for the consideration of your Commission at the October Public Hearing.

Staff will continue to provide your Commission and the public with timely updates as key milestones are achieved.

Respectfully submitted,

SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

Peter Brundage
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Attachment