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COUNTY MOVES FORWARD WITH STREETLIGHT SERVICES FOR MUSCOY

SAN BERNARDINO – Local property owners in Muscoy will soon have streetlight service, after voting in favor of an annual service charge that will pay for light installation and energy costs.

The County Board of Supervisors today approved the recommendation to form a special district for the streetlight project in the county's unincorporated area of Muscoy.

"I, along with my colleagues, unanimously support Muscoy property owners' decision to have streetlights installed throughout their community," said San Bernardino County 5th District Supervisor Josie Gonzales.

"While I never want to detract from the rural appeal of many of our unincorporated areas like Muscoy, I support their desire for safer streets," she said.

Supervisor Gonzales responded to residents' request for lighting, which they expressed during numerous Muscoy municipal advisory council meetings. The county Special Districts department then sent surveys to property owners to gauge their response to paying \$18 per parcel per year for the lighting installation and service.

Response to the survey led to a property owner ballot that began in March and ended in April. Of the 532 owners who returned their ballots, 315 voted in favor of the service charge for the streetlight project. The annual \$18 charge per parcel will generate \$40,000 to cover the installation of streetlights on existing poles and energy costs for the lamps.

The 5th District includes the unincorporated areas of Bloomington, Muscoy and Arrowhead Farms, the city of Rialto, major portions of the cities of Colton and San Bernardino, and a segment of the city of Fontana.

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