

NOTICE OF PROTEST HEARING

LAFCO 3181 – REORGANIZATION TO INCLUDE ANNEXATIONS TO THE BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY; DISSOLUTION OF ZONE W-1 OF COUNTY SERVICE AREA 70 AND FORMATION OF AN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OF THE BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY

Notice is hereby given that a Protest Hearing will be held by the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for San Bernardino County. The hearing will be held at the WIB Meeting Room, at 215 N. "D" St., San Bernardino, California 92415-0490, on **March 26, 2015, at 1:00 p.m.**, to hear and receive any oral or written protests, objections, or evidence which is made, presented, or filed regarding LAFCO 3181.

The territory proposed for reorganization includes the entire service boundary of County Service Area 70 Zone W-1 which includes four (4) separate areas encompassing approximately 5,701 acres. The project area is located in the South Desert region of the County.

Area 1 encompasses approximately 5,624 acres that includes the entirety of Sections 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16 and 22, Township 2 North, Range 6 East, S. B. M. The area is generally located in the easterly portion of the community of Landers commonly known as Goat Mountain.

Areas 2, 3, and 4 are three island areas encompassing a total of approximately 77 acres, which are totally surrounded by the Agency's boundaries. These three island areas are located east and west of Landers Lane, north and south of Reche Road, within the community of Landers.

The reorganization area is shown on the map available for review in the LAFCO office, located at 215 N. "D" Street, Suite 204, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0490, and on our website:

[Click here to view the reorganization area map](#)

The Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency initiated the reorganization proposal by adoption of a resolution of application. The reason for this proposal, as outlined by the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency, is to:

- a) Respond to landowner requests for local control;
- b) Provide for increased transparency through local governance;
- c) Provide a more responsive delivery of water services;
- d) Provide more cost-effective delivery of water services;
- e) Since 1997, the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency has served a portion of the proposed annexation territory under a contract with the County of San Bernardino; and
- f) Plan responsibly for the future of the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency community.

The proposal has been assigned the short-form designation of LAFCO 3181. The proposed terms and conditions for this reorganization are set forth in LAFCO Resolution No. 3194 adopted by the Commission on January 21, 2015, which is available for review in the LAFCO office, and on our website:

[Click here to view the proposal](#)

How to file a Protest: Any registered voter or owner of land within the territory proposed to be reorganized may file an official protest. Such protest must be made in writing and submitted to the LAFCO office prior to the conclusion of the Protest Hearing. The written protest must be signed and dated. Any protest without a date, bearing a date prior to the date of publication of this notice, or submitted after the conclusion of the hearing, shall be disregarded for purposes of ascertaining the value of any written protests. Protest cannot be accepted by fax or email.

Protest submitted for a landowner must contain the address of the land owned within the proposal and the Assessor Parcel Number (APN). Protest submitted for a registered voter must include the name of the voter, signature and address as they appear on the affidavit of registration.

[Click here to view and print the landowner protest petition form](#)

[Click here to view and print the registered voter protest petition form](#)

If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact the LAFCO office at (909) 383-9900 or by email at: lafco@lafco.sbcounty.gov

Dated: March 4, 2015

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
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