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**SUPPLEMENT
SPHERE OF INFLUENCE CHANGE**

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San Bernardino County

INTRODUCTION: The questions on this form are designed to obtain data about the specific sphere of influence change proposal to allow the Commission, staff and others to adequately assess the project. You may also include any additional information that you believe is pertinent. Use additional sheets where necessary, and/or include any relevant documents.

- 1. Please provide an identification of the agencies involved in the proposed sphere of influence change:

SPHERE EXPANSION	SPHERE REDUCTION
<u>Victorville Water District</u>	_____
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- 2. Provide a narrative description of the following factors of consideration as outlined in Government Code Section 56425. (If additional room for response is necessary, please attach additional sheets to this form.)

The present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands.

The dominant land use currently is vacant land over a majority of the proposal. The community of Oro Grande has present land uses which include agricultural, mining, cement manufacturing, restaurant/bar and a liquor store. In addition, a mobile home park, single and multi-family housing and the Oro Grande Elementary School exist in the area. The Water District does not plan land uses, however, the Water District will plan to provide water to all planned uses within the area.

The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area.

The present need is minimal at this time for most of the area due to it being undeveloped or single family homes on large lots. In addition, the commercial and industrial uses have functioned for a long time. The probable need will not immediately change due to it being within the sphere of influence. Many properties are served by wells, except for the Oro Grande area which is part of CSA 42.

The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency to be expanded provides or is authorized to provide.

The Victorville Water District provides water services which include storage, distribution, installation, maintenance and billing. Field personnel operate various vehicles and equipment, including dump trucks, loaders and backhoes. A variety of smaller



equipment, such as generators, compactors, drills, impact guns, saws, pipe locators, pumps, concrete saws and jackhammers are also used when needed. Operators are required to maintain certifications of competency from the State Department of Health Services. Annual Continuing Educational Units (CEUs) are a requirement for operators to meet California operator standards.

Present facilities would be adequate to service the area, however, satellite facilities in the area may be more appropriate. A site is proposed within the Desert Gateway Specific Plan area for a joint use facility with Public Works.

The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area.

Oro Grande is the only community in the area of economic or social interest. Economically, the Riverside Cement Company still operates and provides jobs, however, the social aspect is not as strong as many employees are no longer residents of Oro Grande. The community of Helendale/Silver Lakes is located approximately two miles to the north of the proposed boundary.

3. If the proposal includes a city sphere of influence change, provide a written statement of whether or not agreement on the sphere change between the city and county was achieved. In addition, provide a written statement of the elements of agreement (such as, development standards, boundaries, zoning agreements, etc.) (See Government Code Section 56425)

The Water District sphere is proposed to be coterminous with the City of Victorville sphere.

4. For any sphere of influence update, either initiated by an agency or individual or mandated by Government Code Section 56430, the following service review information is required to be addressed in a narrative discussion, and attached to this supplemental form:

- a. Infrastructure needs or deficiencies within the area

Most of the land in the SOI expansion area is open space. Current needs are limited to the Oro Grande area which receives water, sewer, park and street lighting through CSA 42. Other services are provided directly by the County of San Bernardino. Future needs will be extensive as the area develops and requires municipal services.

- b. Growth and population projections for the area

At buildout, Victorville estimates approximately 21,322 housing units with a population of 61,833. Additionally, approximately 60,000 employees are projected to work in the area.

- c. Financing constraints and opportunities by entity affected

The Water District obtains the majority of its funds through monthly connection charges which are based on the size of the water meter connection.

d. Cost avoidance opportunities

As Victorville annexes land within the SOI, the Water District will take over the provision of water, preventing duplication of services and minimizing unnecessary costs which may be occurring with CSA 42. A City public works yard is planned to the south, in close proximity of the area.

e. Opportunities for rate restructuring

Rate restructuring would not occur with an amendment to the sphere of influence, however, as land was annexed, those opportunities would be appropriately determined.

f. Opportunities for shared facilities

Upon annexation, the Water District could share storage and maintenance facilities with other city departments such as Public Works.

g. Government structure options, including advantages and disadvantages of consolidation or reorganization of service providers

None apparent with sphere expansion, however, as areas are annexed, existing service providers, such as CSA 42, would be reorganized as necessary.

h. Evaluation of management efficiencies

None present upon amendment of sphere of influence.

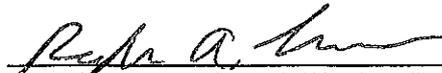
i. Local accountability and governance

This area is currently governed by the County of San Bernardino which also governs other unincorporated areas throughout the county. Upon annexation, the Water District will provide local accountability and governance.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the statements furnished above present the data and information required to the best of my ability, and that the facts, statements, and information presented herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DATE 1-19-10



SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT