

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
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FROM: KATHLEEN ROLLINGS-McDONALD, Executive Officer
TO: LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM #10 – (a) LAFCO 2907 – Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for Central Valley Fire Protection District and (b) LAFCO 2948 – Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for County Service Area 38

INITIATED BY:

Local Agency Formation Commission for San Bernardino County

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept withdrawal request submitted by County Fire Chief Peter Hills for LAFCO 2907 and LAFCO 2948.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In January 2003, the Commission initiated the mandated sphere of influence updates and service reviews for the Central Valley Fire Protection District and County Service Area 38, County-governed fire protection providers in the eastern portion of the Valley area. In April 2003, County Fire Chief Peter Hills reviewed with the Commission the findings of the fire financing study conducted by Emergency Services Consulting Inc. which pointed toward the need to review funding issues for this County-provided service as well as possible consolidations of agencies.

During the interim, LAFCO staff has participated in meetings with County administrative and fire staff as they have been reviewing various options for the provision of fire protection service. As this study has progressed, one of the options being reviewed is a structural reorganization of this Board-governed

function to consolidate the many agencies. County Fire Chief Peter Hills has, therefore, submitted a request that the two service reviews/sphere updates currently in process for Central Valley Fire Protection District and County Service Area 38 be closed and further study be deferred while fire protection options are discussed by the County.

Staff is recommending that the Commission accept the withdrawal request and close out LAFCOs #2907 and #2948.

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Attachment