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TO: LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Agenda Item #3: LAFCO #2892--Service Review and Sphere of Influence Study for the Chino Basin Water Conservation District

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Determine that LAFCO #2892 is statutorily exempt from environmental review and direct the Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption within five days.
2. Make findings related to a service review required by Government Code Section 56430 (service review factors), and determine that the existing sphere of influence for the Chino Basin Water Conservation District should not be changed; and,
3. Adopt LAFCO Resolution #2740 setting forth the Commission's findings and determinations on this issue.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

As the Commission knows, state law now requires the Commission to conduct service reviews and sphere of influence studies for all cities and special districts in the County on a five-year rotating basis. The Commission determined to undertake that mandate beginning in the West Valley area.

This review for the Chino Basin Water Conservation District (CBWCD) continues that program, and like the other West Valley agencies that have been reviewed thus far, it is extremely routine. No sphere of influence or service changes are proposed.

The CBWCD was formed in 1949 under the Water Conservation Law of 1931, and is authorized under that principal act, among other things, to acquire water rights and land, conserve water, construct dams, reservoirs, basins, and channels. The law also authorizes districts to construct and operate wells, pipelines, sell and distribute water, and operate and maintain recreational facilities.

The CBCWD services are limited to groundwater replenishment programs and water conservation education activities. The District is particularly, and understandably proud of its Drought-Tolerant Demonstration Park, which has been visited by thousands of school children and others throughout the years.

The District's responses to the service factors and the sphere of influence factors are attached for Commission review. Following past practices, staff will not reiterate those responses in this staff report because no issues of concern have been identified by either the district, LAFCO staff, or any other agency.

LAFCO staff also wishes to thank the District staff for its outstanding participation and cooperation in this review. The District's response was thorough, comprehensive, and includes two notebooks (approximately six inches thick) which are available in the staff office for Commissioner and public review.

Attachments:

1. District Response to Sphere/Service Review Factors
2. Executive Summary of District Functions
3. Response from Tom Dodson
4. Draft Resolution