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Paul Hood, Executive Officer Santa Barbara County Local Agency Formation Commission 105 East Anapamu Street, Room 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: LOCSD Interim Progress Report Date as Condition of Prop 218 Deadline Extension

Dear Mr. Hood,

First, Heal the Ocean wishes everyone on LAFCO a very Happy New Year.

And to end this year, 2018, we would like to say we are pleased with LAFCO's decision at its December 6, 2018, meeting wherein the commission granted the Los Olivos Community Services District (LOCSD) an extension on its deadline for Prop 218 Assessment - but with the condition that LOCSD provide LAFCO with an interim progress report.

To ensure that LOCSD remains on track to complete the assessment in the allotted time, may we please request that a **specific deadline be established for the LOCSD interim progress report**. The commission discussed quarterly reports and finally settled on "sometime in summer" (2019).

LAFCO summer 2019 meetings are scheduled for June 6, 2019, July 11, 2019 and August 1, 2019. May we please request one of these dates - at the very latest, the September 5, 2019 meeting.

This will help LOCSD stick to a timeline and allow the district to plan for a progress report, which will hopefully facilitate a successful and timely completion of the assessment. Mainly, it will benefit the community of Los Olivos, to press forward on the issue of failing septic tanks polluting the groundwater of the Santa Ynez Valley.

Sincerely,

Hillary Hauser, Executive Director

Andrew Juiliano, Policy Analyst