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March 3, 2016 (Agenda)

TO: Each Member of the Commission

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SUBJECT: **Receive and File Report on Municipal Service Reviews/Sphere of Influence Updates**

This is an Informational Report. No Action is Necessary

The law requires that Spheres of Influence be updated every five years. The Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) received a report from its staff regarding a proposed program and schedule to review and update Spheres of Influence for the cities and special districts in Santa Barbara County.

After receiving the report and discussing the update program, the Commission directed the Executive Officer to confer with local agencies regarding whether changes necessitate new Municipal Service Reviews to update their Spheres of Influence. Updates are being prepared “as necessary” if there are significant changes to the city’s general plan, funding levels, or requested sphere of influence revisions.

City Sphere of Influence Updates

At the January 7, 2016 meeting, the Commission reaffirmed spheres of influence for the following cities:

- City of Buellton
- City of Guadalupe
- City of Lompoc
- City of Santa Barbara
- City of Santa Maria
- City of Solvang

City of Carpinteria: At the January 7, 2016 meeting, the Commission amended the sphere of influence for the City of Carpinteria to delete two areas:

Area I was part of the recently approved Linden Avenue and Casitas Pass Road interchanges and Via Real Extension Improvements project, and accompanying Local Coastal Program Amendment that created the Whitney Site Agricultural Overlay District within the City's Zoning Code. A requirement is that the City apply to LAFCO to remove the two agricultural parcels from the City sphere of influence

Area II was roughly half of the Carpinteria Cemetery Property (APN 005-430-050) is within the City's sphere of influence. The City believed that this may be a mapping error and that the entire Cemetery property most appropriately should be outside the City's sphere of influence

City of Goleta: On February 16, 2016, the City Council City of Goleta voted to request that LAFCO add three areas to its sphere of influence (map attached):

Subarea A is a centrally located pocket of land adjacent to eastern Old Town Goleta, east of Highway 217 and north of Atascadero Creek and the Coastal Zone encompassing the St. Athanasius Church complex.

Subarea D, located south of Goleta, extends from Phelps Road and the University Village Neighborhood on the north to the Devereux Slough and Pacific shoreline on the south. Most of the land near Goleta Slough is owned by UC Santa Barbara containing housing developments, although it also includes Ocean Meadows Golf Course.

Subarea E is located north of the Northwest Residential Subarea, north of Cathedral Oaks Drive and west of Glen Annie Road. The site currently consists solely of the Glen Annie Golf Course.

Goleta City staff will be preparing the request and submitting an application to LAFCO in the next few weeks.

Special District Sphere of Influence Updates

On February 12-17, 2016, staff sent out Municipal Service Review/Sphere of Influence Update letters to the following special districts:

- Carpinteria Cemetery District
- Goleta Cemetery District
- Guadalupe Cemetery District
- Lompoc Cemetery District
- Los Alamos Cemetery District
- Oak Hill Cemetery District
- Santa Maria Cemetery District

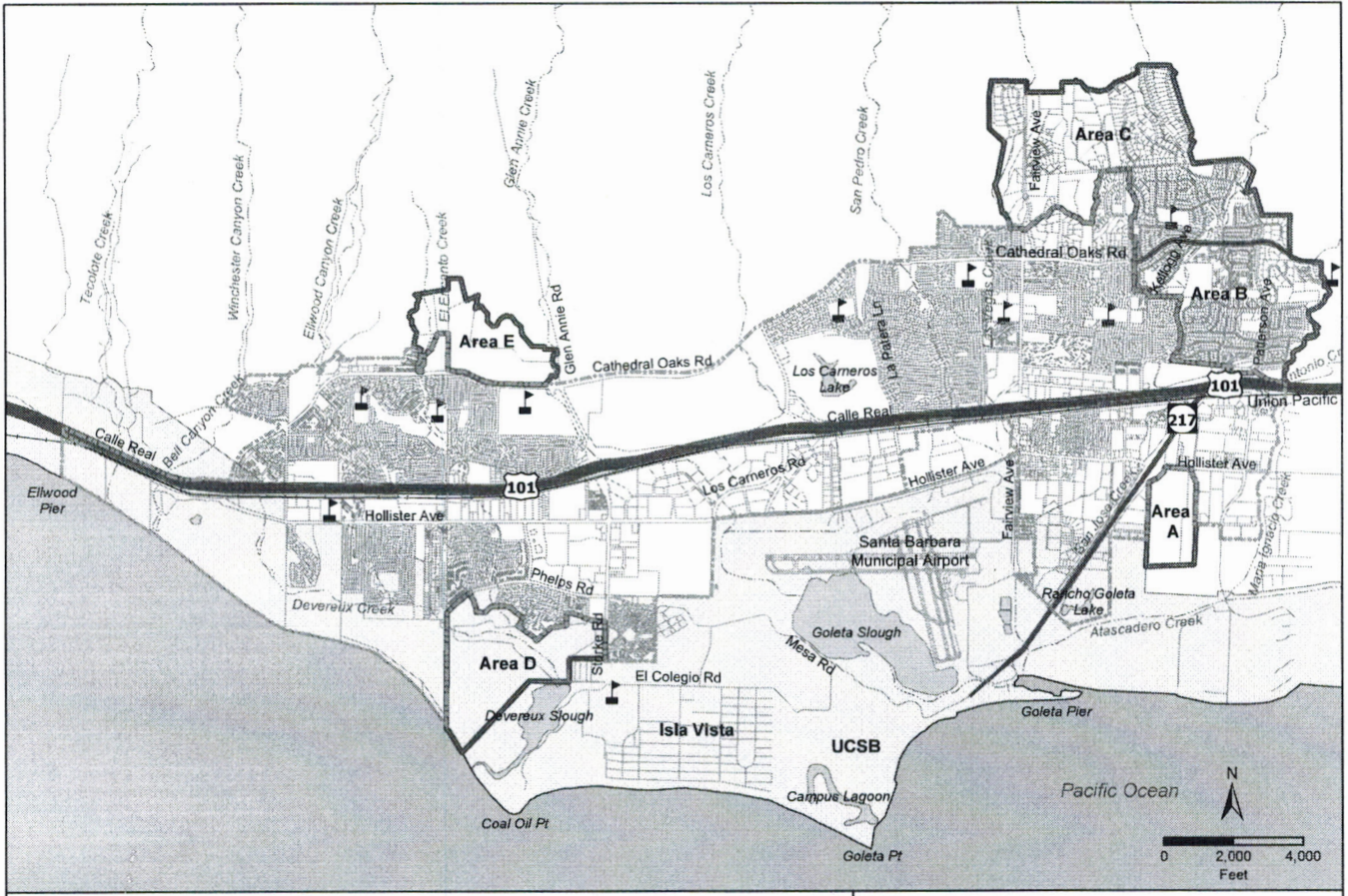
Carpinteria Sanitary District
Carpinteria/Summerland Fire Protection District
Carpinteria Valley Water District
Summerland Sanitary District

Goleta Sanitary District
Goleta Water District
Goleta West Sanitary District

Montecito Fire Protection District
Montecito Sanitary District
Montecito Water District

The deadline to either request that the Commission reaffirm the existing spheres of influence, or request changes, is March 18, 2016. Staff will return to the Commission when these items are ready for review.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.



Legend

Service Area Features

- Future Service Area Boundary

Other Features

- Goleta City Boundary
- Coastal Zone
- - - Creeks
- 🏫 Schools

Note: The adopted sphere of influence is coterminous with the City boundary

Figure 4-1
FUTURE SERVICE AREAS

SUPPLEMENTAL EIR
 GENERAL PLAN/COASTAL LAND USE PLAN
 July 2009