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# Preservation of Los Olivos

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Craig Geyer, Chair and Commissioners Roger Aceves, Doreen Farr, Jeff Moorhouse, Bob Orach, Janet Wolf, Judith Ishkanian, Steve Lavagnino, Jim Richardson, Shane Stark, Roger Welt  
Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission  
105 East Anapamu Street, Room 407  
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## RE: SYCSD Sphere of Influence Expansion Application- Los Olivos

Dear Chair Geyer and Commissioners,

POLO is requesting that LAFCO delay a decision on the Santa Ynez Community Service District sphere of influence expansion application until the necessary community-supported studies have been completed in the next several months. The Los Olivos community will then have the opportunity to determine the best options to move forward on. Our community has been working extremely well and productively with LAFCO, Environmental Health Service and the Third District

Supervisor Doreen Farr in order to reach a well planned, environmentally sound, and cost-effective solution to wastewater management in Los Olivos. The residents of Los Olivos deserve the opportunity to determine what is the best long-term solution to our waste water problem.

The residents of Los Olivos have filed a petition to form a Los Olivos Community Services District, and have contracted a consultant to prepare a Feasibility Study and Plan for Service for Wastewater Management. County Environmental Health Services is preparing an Engineering Focused Feasibility Study.

POLO ask that you do not prevent this ongoing process from being successful. The recent community sponsored meeting at St. Mark's Church was well attended by Los Olivos stakeholders and showed the broad community support and interest in solving the wastewater issue. The consensus of the meeting was to go forward with the Feasibility Study and, when it is concluded, the community members agreed to reconvene to discuss and act on the information gained from the study.

To reiterate, the residents of Los Olivos have been working long and hard with County Agencies to make wastewater management in Los Olivos a reality in the very near future. Please respect and support the citizens efforts and goals of having a state of the art system, properly placed, aesthetically designed and ecologically friendly and beneficial to the environment. The people that live in the special problems area and who will be paying the fees for the wastewater service should have the protections afforded by local control versus lack of local control.

Sincerely,

Doug Herthel President POLO