



San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission

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Notice of Public Hearing – October 17, 2024, at 9:00 AM

Board of Supervisors Chambers
County Government Center
1055 Monterey Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Hearing Item: LAFCO File No. 1-E-23 | Oceano Community Services District Divestiture of Fire Protection Service

Hearing Notice: Notice is hereby given that the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) will consider the proposed divestiture of fire protection service for Oceano Community Services District at a public hearing. Historically, Oceano Community Services District (OCSD) has provided fire response services through a contract with Five Cities Fire Authority (FCFA). However, as the cost of providing fire service has grown, OCSD is unable to fund fire service at the prior levels of service. As a result of two failed ballot measures intended to raise revenue for fire service, OCSD Board of Directors passed a Resolution of Application to LAFCO to divest OCSD's fire service authority. Under this proposal, the County of San Luis Obispo will assume responsibility for providing fire service within the Community of Oceano. If approved by LAFCO, the County will enter into a contract with FCFA to provide fire service to the Community of Oceano. The contract will provide for delivery of all fire protection and emergency services in Oceano out of the Grover Beach and Arroyo Grande fire stations, at a minimum of two personnel per engine. This contract maintains the level of service currently provided to the Community of Oceano. LAFCO is the Lead Agency for the purpose of complying with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and proposes to Categorical Exempt the project pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15320. Should the proposal be approved, LAFCO will conduct a noticed Protest Hearing to allow both landowners and registered voters within the affected territory the opportunity to submit written protest to the proposal.

The staff report will be available on the LAFCO website <https://slo.lafco.ca.gov/> by Thursday, October 10th. Meeting information is as shown above. You may submit comments via email to mbing@slo.lafco.ca.gov or mail written comments to the address provided above.

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