



AGENDA ITEM 8A

MEETING: July 15, 2015
TO: Humboldt LAFCo Commissioners
FROM: George Williamson, Executive Officer
SUBJECT: Status of Current and Future Proposals
The Commission will receive a report summarizing active on future proposals. This report is being presented for information only.

BACKGROUND

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 delegates Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs) with regulatory and planning duties to coordinate the logical formation and development of local governmental agencies. This includes approving or disapproving proposals for annexation, sphere of influence amendments, and outside agency service requests.

DISCUSSION

Following is a summary of active and future proposals.

Active Proposals

There are currently five (5) active applications on file with the Commission, as follows.

City of Fortuna Upper 9th Street Annexation

Awaiting conditions compliance.

Fruitland Ridge Fire Protection District Formation

See agenda item 6A.

Garberville Sanitary District Annexation Project

See agenda item 6B.

Fieldbrook-Glendale Community Services District Annexation

See agenda item 7A.

Telegraph Ridge Fire Protection District Annexation

See agenda item 7B.

Future Proposals

There are several potential new proposals that may be submitted to the Commission in the near future based on discussions with proponents. A summary of these anticipated proposals follows.

City of Arcata Community Forest - Sunny Brae Forest Management Unit Annexation

The City of Arcata is considering annexing the Sunny Brae Forest Management Unit of the Arcata Community Forest. This newly acquired property is owned by the City and managed by the City's Environmental Services Department. Annexation would allow the City to apply municipal code and enforcement provisions for that management unit of the forest.

City of Arcata Boyd Road Annexation

The Arcata City Council is considering annexing approximately 18.9 acres in the Boyd Road area (Eureka Ready Mix property). The proposal area consists of four parcels that are currently pre-zoned by the City for Industrial Limited (IL). A Special Considerations and Stream Protection combining zones would be added to the underlying IL zoning district. The City has prepared a Plan for Services describing how services would be extended to the properties to allow for the expansion of uses on the properties. The McKinleyville CSD has existing water infrastructure in the Boyd Road area and has requested that an agreement between MCSD and the City be part of the annexation.

City of Arcata Jacoby Creek Road Annexation

Arcata City Council adopted a resolution of application for annexation of 2212 Jacoby Creek Road (former Jacoby Creek School) for which LAFCo approved a sewer services outside City boundary extension, due to a public health emergency in March 2013. The City has been keeping LAFCo staff informed of their progress, including addressing property owner concerns related to the annexation. LAFCo has received a letter from an attorney representing the property owner commenting on City actions related to the annexation. This letter is being held pending filing of the application with LAFCo.

Samoa Peninsula Fire District Reorganization

The Samoa Peninsula FD continues to work with representatives of the Samoa Pacific Group on a proposal for the formation of a new community services district to provide water, sewer, fire protection and recreation services to the town of Samoa and Fairhaven. While referred to as a reorganization, the action would involve a new district formation concurrently with fire district dissolution. The Samoa Peninsula FD Board of Directors has scheduled a meeting on July 21 2015 to consider this potential reorganization. LAFCo staff has been invited and plans to attend.

Strongs Creek Area Annexation to the City of Fortuna

City staff is coordinating with the McLean Foundation, a property owner within the proposed annexation area, to prepare materials, including a City Resolution of Application and Plan for Services, to file with LAFCo.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Commission receive and file this report.