

**HUMBOLDT LAFCO**  
**NOTICE OF HEARINGS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Humboldt Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in the City of Eureka Council Chambers, 531 K Street, Eureka, CA, on the item listed below:

**Arcata Fire Protection District Annexation.** The Commission will consider approving an annexation by the Arcata Fire Protection District (AFPD) of approximately 3,561 acres (117 parcels) consisting of its goodwill response area that includes the Upper Jacoby Creek and Lower Fickle Hill areas (“affected territory”). The proposed annexation area is within AFPD’s adopted Sphere of Influence and currently receives services from AFPD on a “goodwill” basis with no defined responsibility or sustainable funding. Mailed notices were sent to all landowners and registered voters within and adjacent to the affected territory in accordance with California Government Code Section 56157. The mailed notice discloses that unless written opposition to the proposal is received from landowners or registered voters within the affected territory before the conclusion of the Commission proceedings/hearing on the proposal, the Commission intends to waive protest proceedings, as authorized by, and in compliance with, California Government Code Section 56663. The notice further discloses that, upon annexation, the affected territory would be subject to the extension or continuation of any previously authorized charge, fee, assessment, or tax by the AFPD. This includes the extension of the previously authorized AFPD special assessment and special tax to all land within the proposed annexation area to fund the delivery of fire protection services, consistent with the purpose for which both funding sources were approved. More information regarding the annexation, including an interactive webmap of the proposed annexation area, can be accessed at: <https://humboldtlaoco.org/proposed-arcata-fire-protection-district-annexation/>

**Proposed Budget for FY 2024-25.** The Commission will consider adopting a Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25 in accordance with California Government Code Section 56381(c). The proposed budget will be presented to the Commission for approval and authorization to circulate to local funding agencies for their review in anticipation of adopting a final budget in May 2024.

All interested persons have a right to attend the public hearings and be heard regarding the listed actions. The meeting will be conducted through a hybrid combination of in-person and/or virtual attendance. Anyone who wishes to participate in the meeting via teleconference should consult the meeting agenda for the call-in telephone number. The agenda and related meeting materials will be posted on the Commission’s website [www.humboldtlaoco.org](http://www.humboldtlaoco.org) at least 72 hours before the scheduled start time of the meeting.

Please direct comments, questions, and requests to review documents to Humboldt LAFCo, 1125 16th Street, Suite 202, Arcata, CA 95521. Phone: (707) 445-7508. E-mail: [colettem@humboldtlaoco.org](mailto:colettem@humboldtlaoco.org) (preferred).

Date: February 28, 2024