

**HUMBOLDT LAFCO
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Humboldt Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) will conduct public hearings on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Chamber of the Humboldt County Courthouse, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, California, to consider the following:

1. Annexation of Fire Service Areas Served by Scotia, Redcrest, and Shively Volunteer Fire Companies to the Rio Dell Fire Protection District (RDFPD)

The Commission will consider a proposal, submitted by the RDFPD for a sphere of influence amendment and annexation of approximately 11,498 acres (608 parcels). As proposed, RDFPD would consolidate operations and annex the service areas of Scotia, Redcrest and Shively Volunteer Fire Companies into the boundaries of the District. This annexation requires a finalized property tax exchange agreement between the RDFPD and the County of Humboldt. It would also extend the current RDFPD special assessment to parcels within the annexation area. This action would also necessitate the divestiture of power to provide fire protection services by Scotia Community Services District (CSD).

2. Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-21

The Commission will consider adopting a proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2020-21 in accordance with California Government Code Section 56381. 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 2020.

All interested persons have a right to attend the public hearing(s) and to be heard regarding the listed actions. Pursuant to state law, only issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Commission at or prior to the public hearing may be raised in any legal challenge to Commission actions.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the LAFCo office, 1125 16th Street, Suite 202, Arcata, CA 95521. Phone: (707) 445-7508.