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October 9, 2013 (Agenda)

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**Agenda Item 6**

Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission  
651 Pine Street, Sixth Floor  
Martinez, CA 94553

**Update from Fitch & Associates – County Emergency Medical Services Study**

Dear Members of the Commission:

The County’s consultants – Fitch & Associates – will provide an informational update at the October 9 LAFCO meeting.

In February 2013, the County embarked on two separate studies – one covering emergency medical services (EMS), and a separate fire service study of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District. Each study has a separate focus and scope of work supported by two distinct project teams of Fitch & Associates consultants.

The focus of the EMS study is to evaluate how best to modernize and deliver coordinated emergency medical services utilizing current operational capabilities and fiscal resources. An important component of the study is stakeholder interaction with various groups, including fire, ambulance, and law enforcement service providers, community hospitals, patient advocacy groups, city officials, health plan and policy leadership, and LAFCO.

The project team has completed two rounds of stakeholder interviews, and is currently providing updates to the various parties. The project will culminate in a report and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors in late 2013 or early 2014.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive presentation.

Sincerely,

**LOU ANN TEXEIRA**  
**EXECUTIVE OFFICER**