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October 14, 2020 (Agenda)

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Agenda Item 10**

Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission  
 40 Muir Road, 1st Floor  
 Martinez, CA 94553

**Request to Transfer Principal County Responsibility from San Joaquin LAFCO to Contra Costa LAFCO – Lawrence Annexation to Byron Bethany Irrigation District**

Dear Members of the Commission:

When a change of organization (e.g., annexation) to a multi-county special district is proposed, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act (CKH) vests exclusive jurisdiction with the commission of the principal county, that is, the commission in the county having the largest portion of assessed value within the subject district.

The CKH (i.e., §§56123, 56124, 56387, 56388) provides a mechanism to transfer jurisdiction over such proposals to a commission other than the commission of the principal county. To transfer exclusive jurisdiction over a change of organization, the commission of the principal county must agree to relinquish jurisdiction and designate a specific commission to assume jurisdiction. The commission so designated must agree to assume exclusive jurisdiction.

The Bethany Byron Irrigation District (BBID) recently informed Contra Costa LAFCO of a forthcoming annexation to BBID. The subject property is located in unincorporated Byron in Contra Costa County. BBID is a tri-county district covering portions of Alameda, Contra Costa, and San Joaquin counties from southern Brentwood to north of Tracy.

The proposed annexation includes four parcels (89.48± acres) located at 2043 Camino Diablo, Byron (Byron Highway and Vasco Road) (Attachment 1). The property is currently in agricultural production (corn and tomatoes) and may shift to almonds once a secure supply of irrigation water is established.

**RECOMMENDATION** – It is recommended that Contra Costa LAFCO agree to assume exclusive jurisdiction for this proposal and authorize LAFCO staff to send a letter to San Joaquin LAFCO requesting a transfer of jurisdiction in conjunction with this proposal (Attachment 2).

Sincerely,

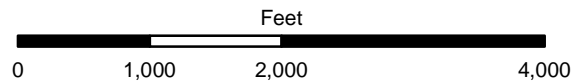
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Attachment 1 – Project Site Map  
 Attachment 2 – Draft Letter to San Joaquin LAFCO Requesting Transfer of Jurisdiction

C: James Glaser, Executive Officer, San Joaquin LAFCO  
 Rick Gilmore, General Manager, BBID  
 James and Victoria Lawrence, Landowners

# Lawrence Property Annexation to Byron Bethany Irrigation District

Attachment 1





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James Glaser, Executive Officer  
 San Joaquin LAFCO  
 224 West Winton, Suite 110  
 Hayward, California 94544

Dear Mr. Glaser:

Contra Costa LAFCO recently received a request to annex four parcels to the Byron Bethany Irrigation District (BBID). The project site comprises 89.48± acres and is located at 2043 Camino Diablo in Byron (Byron Highway and Vasco Road) as shown on the attached map. The property is currently in agricultural production (corn and tomatoes) and may shift to almonds once a secure supply of irrigation water is established.

Since San Joaquin is the principal county for BBID, this is a formal request, pursuant to Government Code §§56387 and 56388, that San Joaquin LAFCO grant exclusive jurisdiction to Contra Costa LAFCO for the boundary change. This request for transfer of jurisdiction was approved by Contra Costa LAFCO on October 14, 2020 at which time the Commission agreed to assume exclusive jurisdiction for the proposed boundary change subject to San Joaquin LAFCO’s approval of a transfer of jurisdiction.

We have enclosed a check for the transfer of jurisdiction, and respectfully request that this matter be placed on your October 15, 2020 LAFCO agenda for consideration. Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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Attachment - Map

c: Rick Gilmore, BBID  
 James and Victoria Lawrence, Property Owners