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TO: MEMBERS, FORMATION COMMISSION  
FROM: DAVID CHURCH, AICP, EXECUTIVE OFFICER   
DATE: JULY 15, 2010

SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT-CITY OF PISMO BEACH SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE/MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW

**Recommendation:** It is respectfully recommended that the Commission review this status report and provide comments to staff.

**Summary:** This status report is to bring the Commission up-to-date regarding the Sphere of Influence (SOI) update and Municipal Service Review (MSR) and being prepared for the City of Pismo Beach. LAFCO is required by the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act to update the Sphere of Influence for a jurisdiction every five years or as needed. The City has responded to LAFCO's information request and has submitted a variety of information to be used in updating the Service Review and Sphere Update:

- Annual Budgets for 4 years
- Urban Water Mgt. Plan
- Rate Studies
- Financial Status Reports
- Capital Improvement Plans
- Water Resource Studies
- General Plan/Local Coastal Plan
- Sewer Master Plan

The preparation of a Municipal Service Review is an information driven activity. We have been assisted by City staff in gathering the information needed to prepare the Sphere Update and MSR. LAFCO staff has taken this information and is in the process of reviewing and analyzing the data. The MSR along with the analysis and determinations called for by the Government Code is being prepared and will be used to form the Sphere of Influence Update. The Sphere of Influence update will identify any changes that might be appropriate to make to the Sphere of Influence. LAFCO staff has been working with the County and the City with the goal of producing a Public Review Draft of the Sphere of Influence Update and Municipal Service Review for release in September for review and comment.

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**Process.** The process calls for several status reports and public hearings and provides for a number of points that the public may comment and provide testimony as the Sphere of Influence update process unfolds. The process for bringing the SOI update and Municipal Service Review to the Commission includes the following steps:

Action Items	Dates
Compile and Gather Information	June 2010
Prepare documentation: SOI Update-MSR-CEQA	Sept 2010
Release for Public Review and Comment. 45-day comment period	Sept 2010
Facilitate-City/County Memorandum of Agreement Revise	On-going
Consideration of MOA by City and County	Oct-Nov 2010
Respond to Comments	Oct-Nov 2010
Public Hearing regarding the Service Review/Sphere of Influence Update/City-County MOA	Dec-Jan-2010/11

Updating the existing City/County Memorandum of Agreement will be part of the SOI update process. If the City and County come to agreement regarding the SOI, LAFCO is required to give "great weight" to this agreement in its determination of the Sphere of Influence.

The Los Robles del Mar and Price Canyon SOI Expansion proposal along with the City's request to include their General Plan "Areas of Interest" will be studied in the City's SOI/MSR update.

**Figure GM-3  
Area of Interest**

