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TO: MEMBERS, FORMATION COMMISSION

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SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT CAL POLY/LAFCO MAPPING PROJECT

Recommendation: This item is informational only and does not require action by the Commission.

Summary: LAFCO has been working with Cal Poly and the City of San Luis Obispo to make key documents for prior annexations more accessible. The purpose of the project is to digitize the key documentation for annexations, eventually allowing access to these documents through an interactive map on the internet. Students in Cal Poly's GIS program are scanning the documents into a pdf format and setting up the interactive map. These documents would then be linked to an interactive map that would be available on the internet. Documents include the Certificate of Completion, Resolution of Approval, Legal Description, and the approved map. When a parcel of the interactive map is clicked-on, the annexation documents would pop up and be available for viewing or downloading. LAFCO has provided the documents for the annexations associated with the City San Luis Obispo. The City of San Luis Obispo is providing the computer server as well as technical expertise in setting up this library of annexations.

The value of this type of archive is that the key historic information associated with annexations would be easily accessible through the internet. Currently, when an applicant or interested party requests these documents, a fee is charge to retrieve the file from storage with the Docuteam. Linking these documents to an interactive map helps provide access to surveyors and proposal applicants, the public, and other interested parties.

The next step involves setting up the web page on the LAFCO website that links to the interactive map. The Cal Poly GIS program manager is interested in completing this type of project for the other jurisdictions as it provides a good learning opportunity for students and an efficient way for annexation documents to become more accessible to the public.

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