



ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ZONE 7
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Mona Palacios, Executive Officer
Alameda Local Agency Formation Commission
1221 Oak Street, Suite 555
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Subject: *Status and Timing of Zone 7's Application to LAFCo for Independence*

Dear Ms. Palacios:

As you know from Zone 7's June 18, 2013 letter, Zone 7 continues to move towards independence in a manner consistent with recommendations by members of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors (see http://www.zone7water.com/images/pdf_docs/separation/6-18-13_ltr-to-lafco.pdf). At the December 10, 2013, meeting of the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, the Board unanimously accepted the Principles of Agreement developed collaboratively between Contra Costa staff and Zone 7 staff. These Principles of Agreement had been previously endorsed by the Zone 7 Board of Directors at their October 16, 2013, Regular Monthly Board Meeting. This is one of two key items Zone 7 has been working to complete before initiating a LAFCo application for independent special district status.

While Zone 7 works towards completing a Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Alameda's Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Zone 7 will rely on the continuing support of Supervisors Miley and Haggerty and their respective staffs to help fulfill the best interests of our respective Tri-Valley. We thank them for their constructive input and will continue to work cooperatively and collaboratively with Alameda County during and after the independence process. In addition, Zone 7 is one of six agencies participating in the Tri-Valley Utilities Coordination/ Integration Study, which will also inform the LAFCo application process; Zone 7 also plans to complete that effort before submitting an application to LAFCo. We anticipate the Study will be completed in the spring of 2014.

If you have any questions or comments in the meantime, please feel free to contact either me at 925 454-5000 or Jill Duerig by e-mail at jduerig@zone7water.com.

Sincerely,

William R. Stevens
President, Board of Directors

cc: LAFCo Commissioners and Alternates
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Susan Muranishi, Alameda County Administrator
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