

Item 6b: **PUBLIC HEARING**

Ukiah Valley Sanitation District Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update Study and Finding of Exemption Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act

DECEMBER 19, 2022

Ukiah Valley Sanitation District (UVSD)

- Initially formed on July 6, 1954 as a County-dependent district
- Reformed on April 3, 2008 as an independent special district
- District boundary is 6.62-square miles in size and includes portions of the City limits and greater Ukiah Valley area
- Serves a resident population of roughly 9,400
- Single-Service Provider: sewer collection services

FORD ROAD Ukiah LAWS AVE

Overlap Area

Public Hearing

- Public Hearing to consider public testimony and proposed adoption of the UVSD MSR/SOI Update Study. (Page 903)
- •The Commission held two workshops on September 12, 2022 and November 7, 2022 for comments and revisions on the study.
- List of revisions made since the November workshop: Page 903
- MSR Determinations: Page 955
- SOI Determinations: Page 966

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Proposed SOI

- A coterminous sphere (same as the jurisdictional boundary) is recommended for the District.
- District and City have an agreement on the interim and long-term plan for the provision of wastewater services in the region.
- No detachment of District overlap areas or consolidation with the City until thresholds met.
- Agreement represents a significant evolution in the relationship between the agencies and supports the financial viability of the District in the interim.
- 3 AOIs for the overlap area & annexation areas.

Notice/Comments/CEQA

- •21-day Public Hearing Notice was properly published, posted, and distributed by Monday, November 28, 2022.
- No public comments have been received to date.
- •UVSD MSR/SOI Update is exempt from CEQA (Page 982).

Recommendations

- •1) Find the UVSD MSR is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to 14 CCR §15306, and find the UVSD SOI Update is exempt from CEQA pursuant to 14 CCR §15061(b)(3), and approve the Notice of Exemption for filing; and
- •2) Adopt LAFCo Resolution 2022-23-07, approving the Ukiah Valley Sanitation District MSR/SOI Update.