

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
FOR SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**LEAD AGENCY:** Local Agency Formation Commission  
for San Bernardino County (LAFCO)  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** LAFCO 3233 - Reorganization to Include Dissolution of County Service Area 64 and Formation of the Spring Valley Lake Community Services District together with Formation of Zone A for Solid Waste and Street Sweeping, and Establishment of the Sphere of Influence for the Spring Valley Lake Community Services District

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The project study area is located in the north desert portion of the County and is generally bordered by a combination of parcel lines and the Mojave River (existing Town of Apple Valley boundaries) on the north; a combination of parcel lines, Sitting Bull Road and Apple Valley Road (existing/within the Town of Apple Valley boundaries) on the east; Bear Valley Road (portion within the Town of Apple Valley and within the City of Victorville/existing City of Hesperia boundaries) on the south; and a combination of parcel lines, Ridgecrest Road and the ATSF Railroad right-of-way (generally existing/within the City of Victorville boundaries) on the west. County Service Area 64 (CSA 64) includes territory within the City of Victorville, the Town of Apple Valley, and the unincorporated community of Spring Valley Lake. A non-contiguous parcel, Assessor Parcel Number 0415-263-13 located within the City of Hesperia, is also being included as part of the project study area which includes two of CSA 64's water storage facilities. The total area is estimated to encompass approximately 2,590 acres.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** LAFCO 3233 consists of a request from the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors to initiate proceedings to dissolve CSA 64 and form a new, local government agency to be named the Spring Valley Lake Community Services District (SVLCSD). If approved as proposed, the new community services district will have the authority to provide the following services: water, wastewater collection, street sweeping and solid waste. The proposed district would assume the water, wastewater and street sweeping services from CSA 64, as well as assume responsibility for solid waste services currently being managed by the County's Solid Waste Division of its Public Works Department.

Since the Resolution was adopted and through the processing of said proposal by LAFCO, the applicant has asked that the park and recreation services that it originally requested (as outlined in its Board Resolution) be removed from consideration and that the boundaries of the proposed SVLCSD be reduced to that of the existing boundaries of CSA 64 (including the non-contiguous parcel, APN 0415-263-13) since there is no need to take over responsibility of the Mojave Narrows Regional Park. LAFCO will also be considering the establishment of the sphere of influence boundary for the proposed SVLCSD, which is a plan for the probable physical boundary and service area of an agency.

**FINDING:** The County of San Bernardino's decision to implement this proposed project is a discretionary decision or "project" that requires evaluation under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). LAFCO has prepared an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration to evaluate the project impacts and has concluded the project will not have any significant negative impacts on the environment upon implementation of the recommended mitigation measure(s).

**INITIAL STUDY:** Copies of the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration and related documents are available for public review at the LAFCO office at 1170 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Unit 150, San Bernardino, CA 92415. The 30-day public review period for the Initial Study begins January 2, 2020 and closes on January 31, 2020. Written comments on the MND should be submitted to Mr. Samuel Martinez at the following address listed above **no later than January 31, 2020**. For further information, please contact Mr. Samuel Martinez at (909) 388-0480 or [lafco@lafco@sbcounty.gov](mailto:lafco@lafco@sbcounty.gov)

**MITIGATION MEASURES:** The mitigation measure(s) identified in the Initial Study is summarized on page 48 and are proposed for adoption as conditions of the project. The measure(s) will be implemented through a mitigation monitoring and reporting program if the Mitigated Negative Declaration is adopted.

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