

# **LAFCO** Reorganization Process

El Dorado County and Diamond Springs-El Dorado Fire Protection Districts

Joint Special Meeting

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## What is the role of LAFCO?

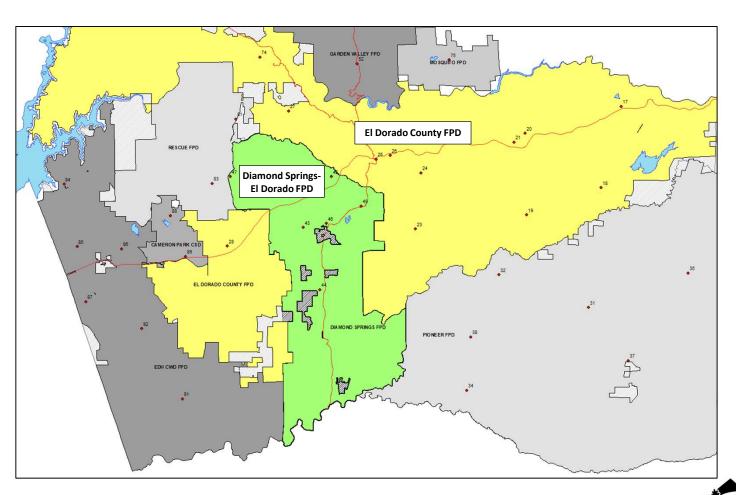


El Dorado County Fire Protection District and Diamond Springs/El Dorado Fire Protection District Options (Annexation versus Consolidation)

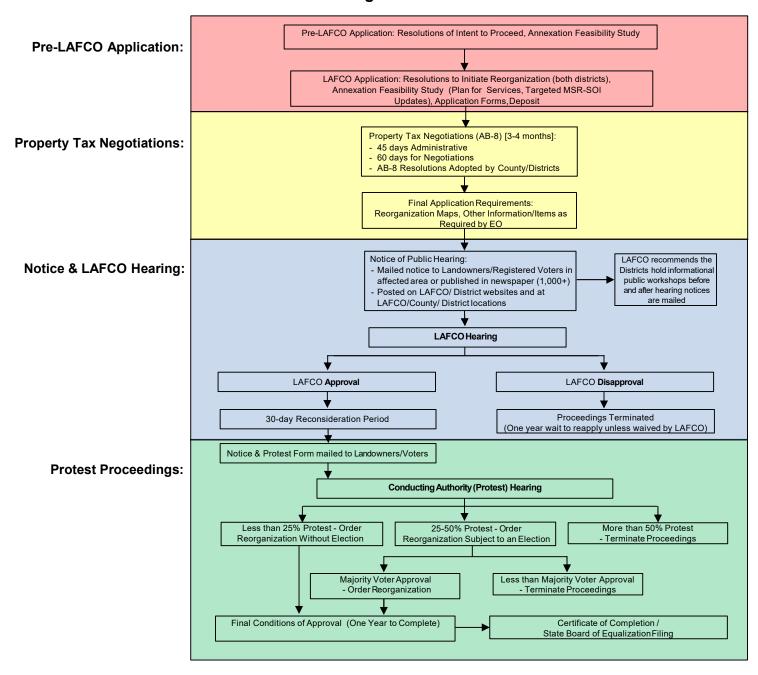


### Reorganization of the Diamond Springs-El Dorado and El Dorado County Fire Protection Districts

- 1) Annexation of the Diamond Springs-El Dorado FPD to the El Dorado County FPD
- 2) Dissolution of the Diamond Springs-El Dorado FPD (concurrent actions)

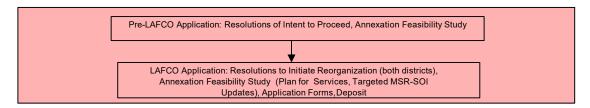


#### **LAFCO Reorganization – Dissolution and Annexation**





### **Pre-LAFCO Application**



#### Annexation Feasibility Study

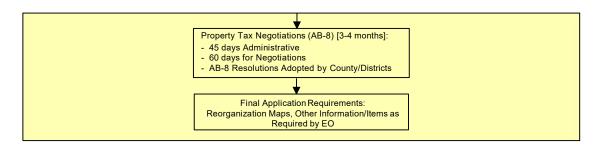
- Resolutions of Intent or other clear Board direction to proceed
- Coordinate with LAFCO needs
  - Service Plan
  - Targeted MSR-SOI Updates
- Contract & Study
- Joint decision to move forward?

#### Initial Application Requirements

- Resolutions of Application to Initiate Reorganization (both districts)
- Service Plan (Feasibility Study)
- Sphere Updates for both Districts (Feasibility Study)
- Application Forms (Chiefs as Designated Agents)
- Deposit



### **Property Tax Negotiations**



#### Property Tax (AB-8) negotiations

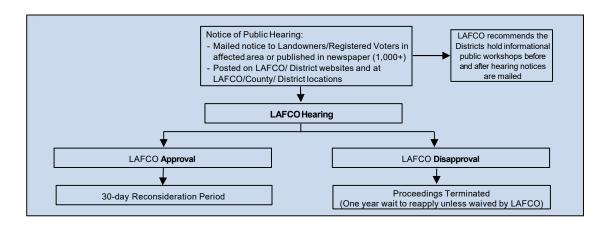
- Negotiated for affected territory only (Diamond Springs-El Dorado FPD & SOI)
- County CAO recommends future property tax increment change
- AB-8 Resolutions required from County BOS and both districts; BOS resolution is the final

#### Final Application Requirements

- Annexation and Dissolution maps
- CEQA (Categorical Exemption likely)
- Other information as deemed necessary by EO



### **Notice and LAFCO Hearing**



#### Notice of LAFCO Hearing – 21 days in advance

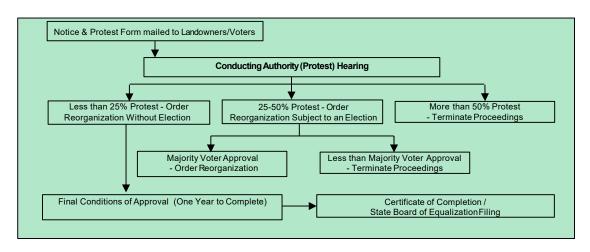
- Mailed to all Landowners and Registered Voters within and within 500 ft of the affected territory (Diamond Springs-El Dorado), OR
- If 1,000+ notices to be mailed, 1/8 page add can instead be published in a general circulation newspaper

#### LAFCO Hearing

- Commission can Approve, Conditionally Approve, or Disapprove
- Standard 30-day Reconsideration period after approval



#### **Protest Proceedings**



#### Notice of Conducting Authority Hearing – 21 days in advance

 Notice and Protest Form mailed to all Landowners and Registered Voters within the affected territory (Diamond Springs-El Dorado), Protest Forms also available on LAFCO website and at hearing

#### Protest Thresholds

- Less than 25% protest received, reorganization is upheld
- 25-50% protest received, goes to an election
- More than 50% protest received, reorganization is terminated



# Questions?

