

SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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TO: Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission
FROM: Peter Brundage, Executive Officer *PB*
RE: City of Elk Grove Sphere of Influence Amendment-South of Kammerer Road
Status Report (LAFC 04-08)

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and File Status Report, estimated timeline, and process for the Elk Grove Sphere of Influence Amendment.

DISCUSSION:

On December 8, 2009 a Request for Proposals (RFP) to conduct the CEQA environmental review for the proposed City of Elk Grove Sphere of Influence Amendment was distributed to interested parties and posted on Sac LAFCo and CALAFCo web sites. Five proposals were submitted for consideration. LAFCo and City of Elk Grove staff are reviewing these proposals in order to make a selection. It is anticipated that a recommendation will be presented to the Commission at the March meeting.

After the CEQA consultant has been selected, the preparation of the environmental document will take approximately 8 to 12 months to complete. During this period the public and affected agencies will have ample time to comment on the Sphere of Influence Amendment proposal.

Once the Consultant is under contract, LAFCo staff will prepare a tentative schedule and send notice to the public and affected agencies to solicit their input. Project information will also be posted on our website at www.saclaftco.org. The public will have a number of opportunities prior to any public hearings to provide their comments on this project.

The consultant and LAFCo will issue a **Notice of Preparation** to solicit input from affected agencies and the public on issues they believe should be addressed in the environmental analysis. In addition, the Draft EIR will be circulated for a **45-day public review**. During this time the public and affected agencies will have another opportunity to comment on the environmental analysis. The Final EIR will address comments received on the Draft EIR and finally, oral and written comments may be made during the public hearings scheduled for this project.

The City of Elk Grove and the County of Sacramento are still negotiating a Memorandum of Understanding. The City of Elk Grove and the County of Sacramento will be conducting additional public outreach consisting of four workshops during March to obtain input on the MOU. If an MOU between the City and County is reached, this agreement will be considered by the EIR consultant in preparation of the environmental document and by the Commission during the public hearings.