

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING (PROTEST HEARING)
SONOMA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sonoma Local Agency Formation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 2, 2005, at or after 2:00 p.m., in the Sonoma County Administration Building, 575 Administration Drive, Room 102A (Board of Supervisors Chambers), Santa Rosa, California, on the proposal described below, to hear and consider any oral and written protests, objections, or evidence made, presented, or filed with the Commission.

File No. 05-11: Amendment No. 7 to Russian River County Water District Sphere of Influence and Annexation No. 2005-01 to the Russian River County Water District of the Service Areas of the Hollydale Mutual Water Company and Rural Canyon Mutual Water Company and Miscellaneous Contiguous and Non-Contiguous Parcels

The application was initiated by resolution of the board of directors of the Russian River County Water District. The affected territory includes 97 parcels, totaling 246+/- acres, generally inclusive of parcels served by the Hollydale Mutual Water Company and Rural Canyon Mutual Water Company and miscellaneous parcels adjacent to or in the vicinity of the current boundaries of the Russian River County Water District, in unincorporated Sonoma County. Project Location: Generally located within four areas: Area A: Along McPeak Road, north of River Road, near Hacienda; Area B: north of the Russian River, west of the Hacienda Bridge, and including territory along Marigold Lane; Area C: along Velluntini Road, northwest of its intersection with Martinelli Road; Area D: west of the intersection of Old River Road and Martinelli Road.

The proposal involves amendment to the sphere of influence of the Russian River County Water District and annexation of the affected territory to the District. The Commission approved the proposal on September 14, 2005, by Resolution No. 2491. A full and complete description of the proposal and the terms and conditions of the Commission's approval are set forth in Resolution No. 2491.

The reason for the proposal is to enable the Russian River County Water District to meet existing obligations; include territory to which service is currently provided and for which the District is assuming operational responsibility; incorporate parcels requiring emergency connections; and include parcels requesting service, so as to create a more regular boundary for the District. Public facilities in the area are intended to replace aging, failing private wells, a situation that might otherwise create a public health hazard.

Any owner of land within the subject territory or any registered voter residing within the

subject territory may file a written protest against the proposal with the Executive Officer of the Commission at any time prior to the conclusion of the public hearing described in this notice. Any person who has filed a written protest may withdraw that protest at any time prior to the conclusion of the hearing described in this notice. Each written protest shall state whether it is made by an owner of land or a registered voter and must indicate the name and address of the owner of land affected and the street address or other description sufficient to identify the location of the land, or the name and address of the registered voter as it appears on the affidavit of registration. Protests may be made on behalf of an owner of land, by an agent authorized in writing by the owner to act as agent with respect to that land. Protests may also be made on behalf of a private corporation that is the owner of land by an officer or employee of the corporation without written authorization by the corporation to act as agent in making the protest. Each written protest shall show the date that each signature was affixed to the protest. All signatures without a date or bearing a date prior to the date of publication of this notice shall be disregarded for purposes of ascertaining the value of any written protests. Protest forms are available at the LAFCO office, 575 Administration Drive, Room 104A, Santa Rosa, CA 95403, Telephone: (707) 565-2577.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BE PRESENT AND HEARD ON THE PROPOSAL.

NOTE: If you challenge the action of the Commission on the proposal in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearings described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the office of the Clerk of the Commission, 575 Administration Drive, Room 104A, Santa Rosa, California, 95403, at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Dated: October 12, 2005

By: Carole Cooper, Assistant Executive Officer