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TO: Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM: Peter Brundage, Executive Officer

RE: PROPOSED CITY OF ELK GROVE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE

**AMENDMENT (LAFC 09-10)** (CEQA EIR SCH #2010092076)

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and file project status report. No Commission action is required.

## **SUMMARY**

Staff and legal counsel continue to work with the CEQA consultant team to review and prepare responses to public comments provided regarding the DEIR. Among the comments raised are traffic, biological and agricultural resources, and hydrology – water resources, flooding, and future sea level rise/climate change.

Commission counsel continues to evaluate whether or not the DEIR should be recirculated, in light of public comments provided. Your staff and Commission counsel have reviewed a series of iterations provided by the CEQA consultant in response to edits and clarifications proposed by staff and counsel. Additionally, staff and counsel have been met with representatives of the environmental community and Elk Grove staff in order try to address their comments on the DEIR. The most recent meeting with Elk Grove was on February 27. At that time it was agreed that the consultant team would prepare an Administrative Draft reflecting all edits and input provided to date. This document will then be reviewed by staff and counsel. The next CEQA benchmark will be the determination of whether the DEIR should be recirculated, or the FEIR issued with response to comments and supporting Errata.

In the event that the decision is to issue the FEIR with response to comments and supporting Errata, staff recommends that a minimum of 21 days be provided for your Commission, affected agency and public consideration, which is greater than the required 10 day minimum.

Another significant project component is the Municipal Services Review. Your staff continues to work with City staff to finalize the draft MSR, in light of public and agency comments provided. Consideration may be given to presenting the MSR for Commission

determinations prior to the public hearings on the Final EIR and Sphere of Influence Amendment proposal. This may allow for a more thorough discussion of the various service providers within the SOIA

We expect to have a revised schedule available shortly. It will be provided to your Commission, affected agencies and the public as soon as the determination has made whether the DEIR should be recirculated, or the FEIR issued with response to comments and supporting Errata.

Respectfully,

SACRAMENTO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

Peter Brundage Executive Officer