COMMENTS ON NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF EIR-SUISUN EXPANSION PROJECT12.1.e.i

Solano County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) manages local government, their boundaries and services to promote orderly growth by ensuring that services to support development are adequately provided and efficient.

LAFCO has the exclusive authority to regulate boundary changes for local governments, including the formation and expansion of cities and special districts through annexations and detachments of territory to or from Cities and special districts;

LAFCO's scope of legislation includes formation and annexation of land to Cities, and adequate formation and annexation to local agencies and special districts that provide essential service to ensure that public services are adequately provided for and efficiently delivered based on local needs and conditions and that do not face shortages;

LAFCO has a duty to preserve land agricultural resources to provide for current food and clothing needs and preserve land for future food and land needs. This is extremely important with respect to the Montezuma Hills adjacent to Rio Vista.

LAFCO has a duty to ensure adequate current needs and future preservation of open space. This is extremely important with respect to the Montezuma Hills adjacent to Rio Vista.

LAFCO determines the spheres of influence of cities and special districts, which are planning boundaries that indicate where future growth and services are expected. This helps in managing resources effectively and balancing competition for resources and needs.

LAFCO may prepare Spheres of influence Proposals for each city and special district and conduct timely service reviews of the service providers (Municipal Service Reviews (MSR) which are a prerequisite to a final determination of a sphere. This is extremely important with respect to the Montezuma Hills adjacent to Rio Vista to prevent premature conversion of agricultural and open space lands.

Please address the adverse effects of California Forever's project on existing agricultural lands and open space in Solano County LAFCO can guide development away from agriculture uses and protect future open space lands. Thank you for your services and carrying out the legislation that protects the public needs of the County.

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