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DATE: February 22, 2010

TO: Chair and Members of the Formation Commission

FROM: Kate McKenna, AICP, LAFCO Executive Officer

SUBJECT: CARMEL AREA WASTEWATER DISTRICT – “CARMEL HIGHLANDS FIRE STATION” SPHERE OF INFLUENCE UPDATE AND ANNEXATION OF A SINGLE 1.00 ACRE PARCEL (73 FERN CANYON ROAD; APN 241-073-002). THE PARCEL FRONTS HIGHWAY 1 AND FERN CANYON ROAD IN THE CARMEL HIGHLANDS APPROXIMATELY 250 FEET SOUTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 1, FERN CANYON AND CORONA ROADS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROPOSAL IS TO CONNECT THE FIRE STATION ON THE PARCEL TO THE WASTEWATER DISTRICT’S EXISTING WASTEWATER SYSTEM. (LAFCO FILE 10-01)

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the Commission:

1. Receive the Executive Officer’s Report;
2. Open the public hearing, and
3. Continue the public hearing to March 29, 2010.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT:

On January 7, 2010, the Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District submitted a petition to update the Sphere of Influence of the Carmel Area Wastewater District and to annex the Carmel Highlands Fire Station to the Wastewater District. The petition is supported by the Wastewater District.

A legal notice was published and notices were mailed regarding this public hearing. However, the County and the District have not yet completed a property tax transfer agreement. Section 99(b)(6) of the Revenue and Taxation Code requires that this

agreement be in place prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Filing for a proposal or the consideration of a proposal by the Commission. The County and District expect to complete the agreement by mid-March. Therefore, the Commission is requested to open the hearing and then continue it to the next regular meeting on March 29. A complete staff report will be prepared at that time.

Respectfully Submitted,

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