IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCO) OF THE PROPOSED FORMATION OF THE ARBUCKLE PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT

A Park and Recreation district is a public agency, which may be formed to organize, promote, conduct, and advertise programs of community recreation, including, but not limited to parks, and open space, and other related services that improve a community's quality of life. The Arbuckle Parks and Recreation District is proposed to use existing and establish recreation and park facilities as well as to maintain recreation programs throughout the community.

Applications for district formation have been submitted to and approved by the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). During its proceedings, LAFCO established conditions for the formation of this district including requiring voter approval by registered voters residing within the territory to affirm the district formation.

While the initial Board of Directors may be appointed by the Colusa County Board of Supervisors, election of a five-member board of directors residing within the territory are to be elected at large and will be placed on the ballot.

LAFCO determined it is necessary for the district to be financially viable. To form the district, a landowner assessment will be required to be passed by landowners owning land in the territory. The proceeds from this assessment will go to operate the district on an ongoing basis. Formation of the District is conditioned upon approval of a landowner assessment to be submitted to the landowners.

The boundaries for the Arbuckle Parks and Recreation District are the same as the Arbuckle College City Fire Protection District.

In their deliberation of the formation of the District, LAFCO determined that there was a demonstrated public need and necessity which warrants that the public be afforded an opportunity to determine, by means of election, whether to form a locally-controlled agency to serve the residents of the district with park and recreation and related services.

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