

Legislation Text

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Tina Scott, Chair, Board of Supervisors

FROM: Carol J. Huchingson, County Administrative Officer

DATE: March 26, 2019

SUBJECT: Protest Hearing for: (a) Proposed Creation of Zone of Benefit Clearlake Riviera within CSA No. 23, (b) Proposed Creation of Zone of Benefit Buckingham within CSA No. 23, (c) Proposed Creation of Zone of Benefit Riviera West within CSA No. 23, (d) Proposed Creation of Zone of Benefit Riviera West within CSA No. 23, (d) Proposed Creation of Zone of Benefit Riviera Heights; and (e) Tabulation of Ballots for said proposed assessment

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On January 29, 2019, your Board adopted four resolutions of intent to create benefit zones within CSA No. 23 for the Clearlake Riviera, Buckingham, Riviera West and Riviera Heights, for a pilot program taking a proactive approach to protect County roadways from wildfire damage.

The proposed zones of benefit seek to establish a proactive approach for enhanced road maintenance in the form of preventative measures to protect the roads from the ravages of wildfire damage, the consequent impacts of that damage, and the extraordinary costs associated with road replacement and disaster-related repairs. Wildfires are driven by a confluence of factors: weather, topography and fuel load. It is only fuel load that may be susceptible to some level of preventative action. Therefore, the pilot program seeks to address the issue of hazardous vegetation which facilitates and fuels the spread of wildfire.

Since adoption of these resolutions of intent, staff has carried out a mail ballot election, as required by Proposition 218, of the registered voters in each of the four areas since it is up to the will of said voters to determine if this pilot program will proceed.

FISCAL IMPACT:	<u>x</u> None _	_Budgeted _	_Non-Budgeted
	Estimated Cost:		
	Amount Budgeted:		
	Additional Requested:		
	Annual Cos	t (if planned	for future years):

FISCAL IMPACT (Narrative): None

STAFFING IMPACT (if applicable): None

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The purpose of this public hearing is to hear protests regarding the proposed creation of the four zones of benefit and to tabulate ballots for the proposed assessment.