

**ALAMEDA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 2006-34**

**APPROVING THE UPDATE OF THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE FOR THE
VECTOR CONTROL SERVICES DISTRICT COUNTY SERVICE AREA**

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 56425 et seq. requires the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) to develop and determine the sphere of influence (SOI) of each local governmental agency within the County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 56425(f) requires that LAFCo review and update the adopted SOI boundaries, as necessary, not less than once every five years; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 56430 requires that a municipal services review be conducted prior to or in conjunction with a SOI update; and

WHEREAS, LAFCo conducted a municipal services review of the services provided by the Vector Control Services District County Service Area (CSA) and adopted written determinations as required by Government Code Section 56430 on May 11, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Vector Control Services District CSA controls public health nuisances carried by rats, fleas, ticks, mites, flies, and other insects, investigation of public vector concerns and nuisances; provides educational information regarding vectors and vector-borne diseases and oversight of administration of quarantine measures regarding animal bites, trapping nuisance mammals, conducting rodent suppression, surveys of rat populations, and inspection and baiting of sewers and waterfronts for rats throughout the County and supplemental services for the City of Oakland involving surveillance and control of a severe rat populations originating in the City's sewer system, and monitoring and source control of mosquito populations in Albany; and

WHEREAS, the CSA was formed in 1984 as a dependent district and is governed by the County Board of Supervisors

WHEREAS, the CSA's boundary area includes the entire County; and

WHEREAS, the CSA's SOI was established in 1984 and is not coterminous with its bounds; and

WHEREAS, there have been no changes to the SOI since it was formed; and

WHEREAS, no change in regulation, land use or development will occur as a result of updating the CSA's SOI; and

WHEREAS, in the form and manner prescribed by law, the Executive Officer has given notice of a public hearing by this Commission regarding the location of this SOI map; and

WHEREAS, the SOI update was duly considered at a public hearing held on July 13, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda LAFCo heard and received all oral and written protests, objections and evidence that were made, presented or filed, and all persons present were given an opportunity to appear and be heard with respect to any matter pertaining to said action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the Alameda LAFCo hereby:

1. Retain existing countywide SOI for the Vector Control Services District CSA as generally depicted in Exhibit A attached hereto.

2. Adopt the following SOI Policy:
 - Policy Recommendation #1: LAFCo should encourage the CSA to conduct appropriate community outreach leading to CSA initiation of annexation of territory within Emeryville and Fremont to the CSA.

3. Consider the criteria set forth in Government Code Section 56425(e) and determine as follows:
 - (a) *The present and planned land uses in the area, including agricultural and open-space lands* – The boundary area includes a diverse mix of land use including agricultural and open-space lands. The SOI is consistent with planned land uses.
 - (b) *The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area* – The population in the CSA is expected to continue to grow. Services to Albany will be challenged with the growing threat of West Nile Virus in the region. The CSA will continue to monitor other vector borne illnesses as well such as Lyme disease, hantavirus pulmonary syndrome and plague.
 - (c) *The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide* – Services appear to be adequate. The CSA conducts productivity monitoring and performance-based budgeting to improve service efficiency.
 - (d) *The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the commission determines that they are relevant to the agency* - The CSA was formed to provide countywide vector control services.
 - (e) *The existence of agricultural preserves or other important agricultural or open space land in the area which could be considered within an agency's SOI, and the effect on maintaining the physical and economic integrity of such resources in the event that such resources are within a SOI of a local governmental agency* – While there are agricultural and open-space lands within the district, no impacts on agricultural resources, open space or Williamson Act contracts will occur because of the nature of the services provided and no service changes are proposed.
 - (f) *Nature, location, extent, functions & classes of services to be provided* - Services and locations to be continued include: control of public health nuisances carried by rats, fleas, ticks, mites, flies, and other insects, investigation of public vector concerns and nuisances, provision of educational information regarding vectors and vector-borne diseases, oversight of administration of quarantine measures regarding animal bites, trapping nuisance mammals, conducting rodent suppression, surveys of rat populations, and inspection and baiting of sewers and waterfronts for rats throughout the County and supplemental services for the City of Oakland involving surveillance and control of a severe rat populations originating in the City’s sewer system, and monitoring and source control of mosquito populations in Albany.

4. Determine, as lead agency for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the SOI update is categorically exempt under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

5. Direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption as lead agency under Section 15062 of the CEQA Guidelines.

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This Resolution was approved and adopted by the Alameda Local Agency Formation Commission at a regular meeting held on July 13, 2006, at 7051 Dublin Boulevard in Dublin, California on the motion made by Commissioner Foulkes, seconded by Commissioner Kamena, and duly carried.

Ayes: 7 (Commissioners Combs, Foulkes, Steele, Miley, Lockhart, Kamena, and Sblendorio)
 Noes: 0
 Excused: 0

/Janet Lockhart/

Janet Lockhart, Chair, Alameda LAFCo

Approved as to Form:

By:



Brian Washington, LAFCo Legal Counsel

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Alameda Local Agency Formation Commission, Oakland, California.

Attest:

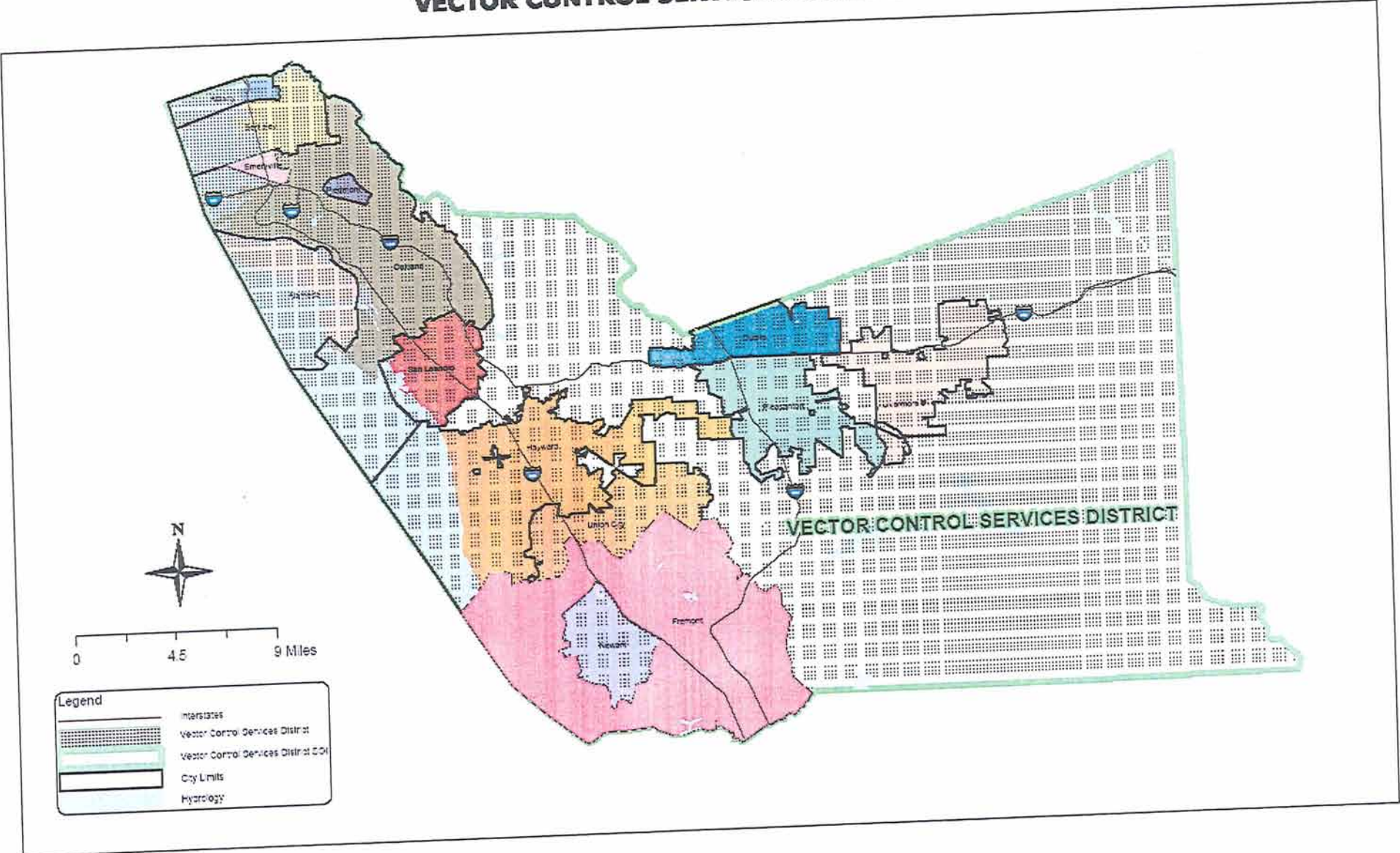

Crystal Hishida Graff, LAFCo Executive Officer

Date:

7-27-06

Exhibit A

VECTOR CONTROL SERVICES DISTRICT



LARDC Mapping Project -- b.d. Systems - Capital Division - April 16, 2004