



# Marin Local Agency Formation Commission

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**AGENDA REPORT**  
October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Supplemental to Item No. 7

**TO:** Local Agency Formation Commission

**FROM:** Jason Fried, Executive Officer

**SUBJECT: Supplemental Correspondence – Letter from the County of Marin on Agenda Item 7: Informational Discussion and Receive Input from the Commission on Potential Reorganization, which may Include Dissolving the San Quentin Village Sewer Maintenance District and annexing the Properties within the Ross Valley Sanitary Sphere of Influence into the Ross Valley Sanitary District**

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## Background

On October 8, 2025, Marin LAFCo received correspondence from the County of Marin regarding Agenda Item 7.

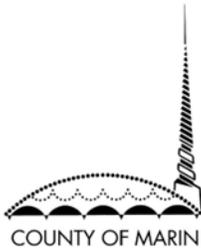
The attached letter provides the County’s comments and perspective related to the potential reorganization discussed in Item 7. The correspondence was received after the agenda packet had been distributed and is therefore being provided as a supplemental item for the Commission’s consideration and inclusion in the official meeting record.

## Staff Recommendation for Action

1. Receive and file the supplemental correspondence from the County of Marin regarding Item 7.

## Attachment:

1. Correspondence from the County of Marin



October 8, 2025

Derek Johnson  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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**RE: Informational Discussion on San Quentin Village Sewer Maintenance District (SQVSMD) annexation**

Dear Chair Coler and Commissioners:

In partnership with our Department of Public Works, I am writing to express the County of Marin's support for the potential annexation of the San Quentin Village Sewer Maintenance District (SQVSMD) into the Ross Valley Sanitary District (RVSD). I understand that your Board will consider an informational report on this matter at your October 9, 2025 LAFCo meeting, and I wanted to provide background on why we believe the SQVSMD would be best served by annexation into a larger sanitary district.

The SQVSMD was formed in 1962 by the resolution of the Marin County Board of Supervisors to serve just 45 residential units in San Quentin Village. The Board of Supervisors acts as the District's Board of Directors, and the Department of Public Works operates the system. This is the only sanitary district operated by the County Department of Public Works. The SQVSMD discharges into the Rehabilitation Center system and also carries upstream discharges from the Correctional Facility and a small Caltrans facility.

Given its small size and unique current operational circumstances, we believe that annexation of the SQVSMD by the Ross Valley Sanitary District is appropriate. RVSD is a larger, well-established sanitary district with in-house expertise in system operations, regulatory compliance, emergency response and planning long-term costs and needs. We believe RVSD's experience and expertise would serve the residents of San Quentin Village and SQVSMD homes well. They have the critical mass necessary to operate effectively and efficiently. The County Department of Public Works is primarily focused on streets, roads, and public facilities – not sanitary district operations.

As your Commissioners consider direction on annexation, we respectfully urge you to consider both our direct support for annexation of the SQVSMD by RVSD – economies of scale and operational benefits that can be achieved when the full San Quentin area operates under a single system and governance structure. Long-term operations and planning are best accomplished when all parties work collaboratively with shared goals and mutual respect. The County stands ready to

be a partner in advancing this transition to ensure reliable operation of this critical public asset.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Johnson', is placed over a light gray, textured rectangular background.

Derek Johnson  
County Executive

CC: Christopher Blunk, Interim Director of Public Works  
Marin County Board of Supervisors