

Board of Supervisors Response to Ventura County 2007 Grand Jury Report Fillmore-Piru Memorial District Reorganization

R-01. The Grand Jury recommends that the District be reorganized as a subsidiary district of Fillmore through the State legislative process.

Partially Concur. We agree with the concept of streamlining government and reducing the burden of unnecessary assessments on property owners. However, the County believes the best option for the Fillmore-Piru Memorial District is the dissolution recommendation made by the Ventura Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) in its October 2007 Municipal Service Review.

R-02. The Grand Jury recommends that the Fillmore City Council become the Board of Directors for the new subsidiary district.

Partially Concur. The County supports LAFCO's recommendation to dissolve the District in lieu of the District becoming a subsidiary district under the City of Fillmore. The dissolution would incorporate a Property Tax Share Agreement among the remaining taxing entities to redistribute the District's share of property taxes and eliminate the \$5 per parcel special assessment tax. The County would support transferring the District's current assets (including the building and cash reserves) to the City so it may remain a facility open to veterans and the community.