



Date: October 29, 2008 for November 5<sup>th</sup> Agenda  
From: Patrick M. McCormick, Executive Officer  
To: Commissioners  
Subject: Implementing Disapproval of Bonny Doon Fire Protection District Formation, and Suggesting Consideration of Operational and Financing Changes

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*Summary: On September 22, 2008, the Commission held a public hearing to consider a proposal to form a fire protection district in Bonny Doon. The Commission then acted to disapprove the application, and to make suggestions that CAL FIRE and the County of Santa Cruz consider three operating and financing changes.*

*Recommendation: Approve draft Resolution No. 913 disapproving the formation of a new fire protection district in Bonny Doon, and direct the Chairperson to send letters to CAL FIRE and the County of Santa Cruz conveying suggestions.*

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On September 22, 2008, after completing the public hearing on Application No. 913, the Commission, by a majority vote, acted to disapprove the application to form a fire protection district in Bonny Doon and detach Bonny Doon from County Service Area 48 (County Fire). The Commission documents its actions by means of resolutions. The staff has prepared a draft resolution that would enact the Commission's decision on this matter.

The Commission also voted to convey three operating and financing suggestions to CAL FIRE and the County Board of Supervisors that offer opportunities to improve the fire protection and initial emergency response in Bonny Doon while maintaining these services in the other areas served by County Service Area 48 (County Fire). The staff has drafted two letters that convey the suggestions to CAL FIRE and the County.

cc: Bonny Doon Volunteer Fire/Rescue, Inc.  
County of Santa Cruz  
--Board of Supervisors  
--County Administrative Officer  
--Department of General Services  
John E. Ferreira, CAL FIRE Unit Chief

Attachments: Draft Resolution No. 913  
Draft Letter to County of Santa Cruz  
Draft Letter to CAL FIRE Unit Chief Ferreira