

Mendocino County

Russian River Flood Control & Water Conservation Improvement District

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Uma Hinman, Executive Director
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Dear Ms. Hinman,

RE: Initiating Procedures for the Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control and Water Conservation Improvement District Annexation of the Complete Redwood Valley County Water District Service Area

The Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control and Water Conservation Improvement District (RRFC) is pleased to submit the application for annexation of the complete Redwood Valley County Water District (RVCWD) Service Area.

This project proposes to expand the RRFC District's LAFCo boundary to include the entire Redwood Valley County Water District service area. This boundary adjustment would allow RVCWD to use its existing, contractually allocated water supply from the RRFC District anywhere within RVCWD's own service boundaries.

The proposed annexation is primarily an administrative action focused on aligning service areas and water use authorizations and does not involve any transfer of operational responsibilities, management authority, governance, assets, liabilities, or debt between the RRFC District and RVCWD. There are no plans for dissolution or consolidation of the two districts.

If the annexation is approved, RVCWD would continue to receive its contracted 328.85 acre-feet per year but could use that water throughout its full service area rather than being restricted to that portion of RVCWD currently within the RRFC District. This change would also give RVCWD a higher priority for surplus water available from the RRFC District under its existing contract, allowing such surplus water to be used anywhere within its boundaries.

By aligning the RRFC District's LAFCo boundary with the authorized place of use for its state-issued water right, the annexation would create a consistent and efficient administrative framework for water management and service delivery in the region.

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Below is a list of the materials in this application submission with hyperlinks for the documents as posted on the RRFC's project webpage (<https://rrfc.specialdistrict.org/proposed-application-for-annexation-of-redwood-valley-county-water-district-2025>). Additional information including supporting documentation and outreach materials can be found on the RRFC website (<https://www.rrfc.net/>).

Application documents:

- [Application \(including Campaign Contribution Disclosure and Political Expenditures\)](#)
- [LAFCo Pre Application Agreement and Indemnity 2025](#)
- [LAFCo Fee Agreement and Indemnification 2025](#)
- [Notice of Intent to Adopt Resolution of Application](#)
- [RRFC Resolution of Application, signed with Exhibits A, B, & C](#)
- [Redwood Valley County Water District Resolution #25-02 of Support for Annexation](#)
- [Initial Study and Negative Declaration for RVCWD Annexation](#)
- [Notice of Determination for RV Annexation LAFCo Application, signed w receipt](#)
- [Plan for Services](#)

Maps, Metes & Bounds:

- [RRFC map of annexation area, "Exhibit B" 11 x 17](#)
- [RRFC Map of Annexation Area](#)
- [RRFC Metes & Bounds Description of Annexation Area](#)
- Hard copies of maps included

Electronically only:

Initial Study/Negative Declaration Consideration

- [Negative Declaration Public Notice of Intent to Adopt](#)
- [Initial Study and Proposed Negative Declaration, June 29, 2025](#)
- [Proof of Publication of Notice of Intent June 29, 2025](#)
- [Initial Study / Neg Dec Comment Letter dated 7-27-25](#)
- [Initial Study / Neg Dec Comments Letter from LAFCo dated 8-1-25](#)
- [Initial Study / Neg Dec Comment Letter dated 8-4-25](#)
- [RRFC Response to Initial Study / Neg Dec Comments dated 9-4-25](#)
- [Revised Initial Study / Neg Dec, red-lined, dated 9-4-25](#)
- [Revised Final Initial Study / Neg Dec, 9-4-25](#)

Thank you for your consideration of the application and feel free to contact me with any questions.



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