

**PLACER HILLS and NEWCASTLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS  
CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 2025-01**

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS OF THE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AND THE NEWCASTLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT CONSTITUTING THE DISTRICTS' RESOLUTION OF APPLICATION TO THE PLACER COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF FOR CONSOLIDATION OF THE NEWCASTLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT INTO THE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**WHEREAS**, the Boards of Directors of Placer Hills Fire Protection District (“PHFPD”) and the Newcastle Fire Protection District (“NFPD”), both fire districts organized and operating pursuant to the California Fire Protection District Law of 1987, California Health and Safety Code section 13800 et seq., and located in Placer County, California (collectively “the Parties”), desire to initiate proceedings pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, California Government Code section 56000 et seq. (“Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act”), with the Local Agency Formation Commission of the County of Placer (“Placer LAFCO”) for the reorganization of the Parties as specified herein; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 11, 2022, PHFPD and NFPD submitted their initial Application for Reorganization to initiate proceedings with Placer LAFCO for reorganization consisting of the dissolution of NFPD and annexation of the dissolved District into the PHFPD (“the Proposed Reorganization”) resulting in a reorganized fire protection district which shall continue to be called the Placer Hills Fire Protection District (“the Reorganized District”); and

**WHEREAS**, after Placer LAFCO deemed the Parties initial Application for Reorganization to be incomplete, Placer LAFCO approved a Municipal Service Review for the Parties in April 2025, and Placer LAFCO further approved an initial Spheres of Influence for the Parties in August 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, in light Placer LAFCO’s action regarding the Parties Municipal Service Review and Spheres of Influence, this Concurrent Resolution is executed in support of an amended Application for the Proposed Reorganization to be submitted to Placer LAFCO to move forward for approval of the Reorganized District; and

**WHEREAS**, California Government Code section 56853 provides in part that, in the case of a concurrent resolution for reorganization, Placer LAFCO shall approve or conditionally approve the Proposed Reorganization; and

**WHEREAS**, the boundaries of the territory included in the Reorganized District will be the combined territories of PHFPD and NFPD, as described in Exhibit “A”, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference; and

**WHEREAS**, the Proposed Reorganization shall be subject to Placer LAFCO’s approval of the amendment of the Districts’ Spheres of Influence to match the boundaries of the territory included in the Reorganized District; and

**WHEREAS**, the territory included in the Reorganized District is inhabited, as defined in the Cortese-Knox- Hertzberg Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties desire that the Proposed Reorganization be subject to the following terms and conditions as set forth herein:

- a. The name of the Reorganized District shall continue to be the “Placer Hills Fire Protection District”.
- b. The Reorganized District is intended to achieve greater economy and efficiency in providing fire protection and emergency services. The Parties have determined that the Proposed Reorganization is in the best interest of the Parties in order to provide better services to the residents of and visitors to the Reorganized District.
- c. Pursuant to the provisions of California Health and Safety Code section 13842 and California Government Code section 56866(n), the Board of Directors of the Reorganized District shall be governed by a five (5) member Board of Directors as follows:
  1. The initial Board of Directors of the Reorganized District shall be composed of three (3) of the existing five (5) directors of the PHFPD, two (2) of the existing five (5) directors of the NFPD. The initial Board of directors shall meet as soon as practicable after the effective date of the Proposed Reorganization and shall classify themselves by lot into two classes: one class consisting of two (2) directors one each from PHFPD, and NFPD, and one class consisting of three (3) directors, two (2) from PHFPD, and one (1) from the NFPD. The term of office of the class having the smaller number shall be through December 2028 and the term of the office of the class having the greater number shall be through December 2030.
  2. Commencing with the election of Directors in November 2028, the Reorganized District shall transition to election by divisions pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 13846 et. Seq. two (2) director positions shall be subject to election in November 2028, with one elected at large from the current boundaries of the Placer Hills Fire Protection District, one from the current boundaries of the Newcastle Fire Protection District. The three (3) director positions shall be subject

to election in November 2030 with two elected at large from the current boundaries of the Placer Hills Fire Protection District, one elected at large from the current boundaries of the Newcastle Fire Protection.

3. The above provision for the election of the first Board of Directors of the Reorganized District is intended to apply to the first two election cycles of the newly constituted Board of Directors. Following these first two election cycles, the Reorganized District will conduct districtwide elections as provided by law. Except for the initial Board of Directors, the term of office of directors shall be four (4) years, and directors shall be elected or appointed as provided by law.
- d. All assets, unrestricted, restricted or fiduciary, held by the Parties shall be transferred to and become assets of the Reorganized District. The Reorganized District shall be the successor agency to NFPD.
- e. The special tax for the Reorganized District shall be levied as follows: the PHFPD special taxes shall be levied within the original PHFPD boundary of the Reorganized District, and NFPD special taxes shall be levied within the original NFPD boundaries of the Reorganized District. Additionally, pursuant to Government Code section 56886(b), the PHFPD Measure A special tax shall be levied on the former territory of NFPD. The Parties shall enter into a property tax allocation agreement to transfer the NFPD property tax allocation and special taxes to PHFPD.
- f. The Parties request a determination by Placer LAFCO that the initial appropriation limit for the Reorganized District shall be the total of the combined existing appropriation limits of PHFPD and NFPD.
- g. All liabilities of NFPD shall be transferred to and become liabilities of the Reorganized District.
- h. The effective date of the Proposed Reorganization shall be the date of recordation of the certificate of completion of reorganization as provided by Government Code section 57200 et seq.
- i. Distribution of Services: The Board of Directors of the Reorganized District will authorize an annual work plan for services throughout the Reorganized District.

**WHEREAS**, the Parties hereby consent to the Proposed Reorganization without election by the registered voters within the respective Districts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties' find that the Proposed Reorganization appears to be categorically exempt on the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") by virtue of section 15320 of the

State CEQA Guidelines (“Class 20 Exemption”) because the Proposed Reorganization is a reorganization of a local government agencies where the changes do not change the geographical area in which previously existing powers are exercised.

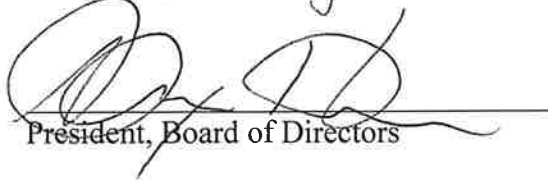
**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Boards of Directors of Placer Hills Fire Protection District and the Newcastle Fire Protection District hereby find, determine, declare, resolve and order as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are adopted as herein for above-set forth.
2. Placer LAFCO is requested to undertake proceedings for the Proposed Reorganization according to the terms and conditions stated above and, in the manner, provided in the Cortese-Knox- Hertzberg Act.
3. The President and the Chair of the Board of Directors of each District is authorized and directed to execute this Concurrent Resolution and any other documents as Placer LAFCO may reasonably request to accomplish the Proposed Reorganization initiated by this Concurrent Resolution.
4. The Fire Chief of the Placer Hills Fire Protection District, and/or his designee, shall be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to perform any and all acts required to complete the Proposed Reorganization initiated by this Concurrent Resolution, including, but not limited to, preparation and coordination of the application to Placer LAFCO, and preparation and filing of Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk in accordance with the provisions of CEQA and the State CEQA guidelines.

This Concurrent Resolution is effective from the latest date of execution shown below.

**PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT:**

Passed, approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Placer Hills Fire Protection District by the following votes. Passed and adopted this August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

  
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President, Board of Directors

Ayes: HARVEY, MCCRAY, PASKEY,  
WRIGHT

Noes: Ø

ABSTAIN: LOFRANCO  
Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION:**

  
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Secretary of the Board of Directors

**NEWCASTLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT:**

Passed, approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Newcastle Fire Protection District by the following votes. Passed and adopted this August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

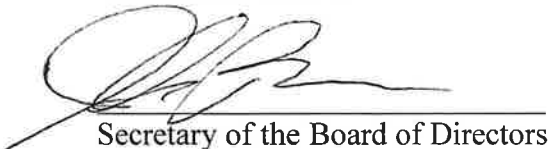
  
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Chair, Board of Directors

Ayes: BETTENCOURT, BURNS, ELDER,  
HELSTERKAMP, LEE

Noes: Ø

Absent: Ø

**CERTIFICATION:**

  
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Secretary of the Board of Directors



# Exhibit A

## Newcastle Fire Protection District

