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TO: MEMBERS, FORMATION COMMISSION

FROM: DAVID CHURCH, AICP, EXECUTIVE OFFICER (DC)

DATE: NOVEMBER 20, 2014

SUBJECT: STUDY SESSION - DRAFT FORMATION GUIDE PASO ROBLES BASIN WATER DISTRICT (Recommend review and discuss)

Recommendation. It is respectfully recommended that the Commission review and discuss the attached Draft Formation Guide.

Summary. The attached Draft Formation Guide is intended to provide information about the formation process for the Paso Robles Basin Water District. The procedures to form the Water District were revised by AB 2453 (Achadjian). The Draft Formation Guide for the Paso Robles Basin Water District is included for review and comment and is available on the LAFCO Website at www.slolafco.com. The document is in draft form with the intent of being an informational guide that helps us understand the formation. The document provides information about the following topics:

- **Summary:** A summary of the formation process.
- **Formation Process:** More details about the formation process.
- **Resolution of Application:** A description of what this is and its parts.
- **Petition Process:** Explains how the petition process would work.
- **Plan for Services:** Describes the services provided by the District.
- **Funding Mechanisms - Proposition 218:** Discusses the funding sources.
- **Powers/Functions:** A brief discussion about powers. Details in Attachment A.
- **LAFCO Consideration:** The Public Hearing process.
- **Special Legislation-AB 2453:** A summary of AB 2453.
- **Election Process:** Discusses the election processes involved.
 - **Attachment A** - List of Powers and Functions
 - **Attachment B** - Guidelines for Public Comment at LAFCO Hearings
 - **Attachment C** - Summary of State's New Groundwater Legislation

A more detailed presentation will be provided at the hearing. Any input and feedback from the public, the Commission, and others would be appreciated. The document is available on the LAFCO website under the "PR Water Basin" tab. The link to the document has been emailed to number of stakeholders.