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Ed Prestley, Deputy Director

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 3, 2023
TO: Members of the Trinity County Planning Commission
FROM: Ed Prestley, Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Agenda Item: Item 4 General Plan Community Plan / Area Determinations

Comments received as of November 2, 2023

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The Board of Directors of the Trinity Center Community Service District (TCCSD) voted unanimously to recommend that the County's General Plan consultants to use the TCCSD boundary as the planning boundary for the Trinity Center Community Plan. The rationale for this recommendation is as follows:

1. The CSD is an existing boundary. Why create a new one? The petition to expand the TCCSD boundaries was initiated by residents of Covington Mill in 2009 and adopted to include Long Canyon, Lake Forest, Covington Mill and Ridgeville in December 2010. The attached map was adopted by Trinity County LAFCO most recently in the February 2020 Trinity Center Municipal Services Review.
2. What is the vision for the large tracts of land that Sierra Pacific has taken out of TPZ between Trinity Center and Covington Mill? The consultant's proposed Community Plan boundary incorporates some of the tracts near Trinity Center but excludes those near Covington Mill. This would create confusion and a disparate set of planning parameters for the community and SPI.
3. Trinity Center may have to deal with water supply and potentially wastewater treatment at some point. There are 6 small private water companies within TCCSD, maybe another depending on what SPI does with their development. The Trinity Center CSD would have the ability to take over these small companies (analogous to what Lewiston CSD was asked to do) - could work through LAFCO to turn on authorities and collect taxes.
4. TCCSD turned on its recreation authority to potentially take on amenities like the Estrellita boat ramp marina. The TCCSD could implement any recreation vision.
5. Residents in Covington Mill (Long canyon, Lake Forest and Lower Covington) and Ridgeville use Trinity Center amenities like the IOOF Hall as our community meeting center, Trinity County branch library and Post Office. We are tied together in that interest.

6. A neighbor in Covington Mill was recently buried in the Trinity Center Community Cemetery. Again, we are tied together.

7. The Trinity Center Volunteer Fire Department serves all the entire TCCSD. Our firefighters, EMR, FEAT captain, Auxiliary members also live in Covington Mill - volunteer at Pancake Breakfasts, VFD Yard Sales, school events, etc. They certainly consider themselves part of the Trinity Center Community.

8. Over half of the children in Trinity Center Elementary School are from the Covington Mill area and the school district encompasses the entire Community Services District.

The County's consultants have indicated that there is a way within their methodology for defining boundaries to accomplish our recommendation and we encourage you to provide them the guidance to do so.

Thank you for your consideration of the Trinity Center CSD's recommendation and we look forward to working closely with you on our Trinity Center Community Plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Frost", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Patrick Frost, Chair
Trinity Center Community Service District

CC: TCCSD Board
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Figure 1. District Boundary and SOI

