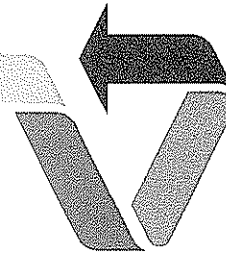


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REQUEST FROM TRIUNFO SANITATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR ONGOING REPRESENTATION ON THE VENTURA REGIONAL SANITATION DISTRICT BOARD

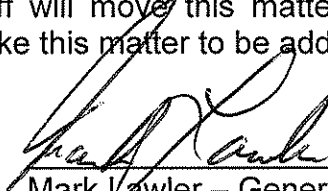
The Triunfo Sanitation District (TSD) Board, at its July 25, 2011 meeting, voted to request that the Ventura Regional Sanitation District (District) change its governing structure to permit a full time seat for a TSD Board member. A letter from the TSD Chair is attached as the official correspondence for this request.

Over the life of the District, the governing structure of the Board has changed on at least two prior occasions. The changing of the governance of the Board raises questions the Board may wish to consider. Some of the questions for consideration are as follows:

1. Should the District Board ultimately have ten members or should the Board consider adding more seats to have an odd-numbered Board?
2. Have the other Special Districts or member cities been properly noticed and will other agencies make a similar request?
3. Who would carry forward the legislation?
4. Should the changing of the District Board involve formal comment from each of the existing member cities or District?
5. What will be the added costs to make this change and what are the added ongoing costs?

These types of questions and others should be fully identified and addressed before a Board action should be considered. Given that this request is actually to change the governing structure of the District's Board, I am recommending that this discussion start with the Executive Committee of the District. Staff has spent minimal time investigating this to date and upon direction by the Board staff will move this matter forward to committee or in whatever manner the Board would like this matter to be addressed.

APPROVED FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 2011 AGENDA


Mark Lawler – General Manager



TRIUNFO SANITATION DISTRICT

July 27, 2011

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Jim Monahan, Chairman
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REQUEST FOR ONGOING REPRESENTATION ON THE VENTURA REGIONAL SANITATION DISTRICT BOARD

The Triunfo Sanitation District (Triunfo) respectfully requests that the Ventura Regional Sanitation District (VRSD) designate a permanent seat for Triunfo on the VRSD board of directors.

As you are aware, Triunfo is part of a six member special district committee (Committee) that shares a *single* seat on the VRSD board of directors. The Committee adopted a rotating schedule where each district is the designated representative to the VRSD board only *once every six years*. After our current one (1) year term expires in December, Triunfo will be without a voice on your board until 2016.

Triunfo provides wastewater collection and treatment for approximately 31,000 residents in eastern Ventura County and supplies potable water to approximately 14,000 residents of Oak Park (included in the 31,000 residents, above) through the Oak Park Water service. Triunfo also supplies recycled water to the areas of Oak Park, North Ranch and Lake Sherwood.

Triunfo provides these services – with an annual operating budget of over \$12 million – with zero employees. Every aspect of Triunfo – management, administration, customer service, operations, and maintenance - relies on the consistency, availability, and expertise of the contract staff provided by VRSD. The following aspects of the Triunfo/VRSD relationship are worthy of consideration:

- Triunfo meets *one hundred percent* of its staffing needs through its contract with VRSD;
- Excluding VRSD landfill workers, approximately 30% of all work performed by VRSD employees is related to Triunfo (12.2 full time equivalents out of 41.5 full time equivalents);
- A full 62% (\$3.2 million) of VRSD's reimbursable contract service revenue comes from Triunfo (VRSD FY12 adopted budget, page 4-2).

We believe that the relationship between VRSD and Triunfo is uniquely complex. Our request is in the spirit of continuous improvement and for the benefit of the constituents of both agencies.

On behalf of the Triunfo Board, I appreciate your consideration of this matter and look forward discussing possible action at your earliest convenience.

Michael L. Paule - Chairman

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