

SANTA YNEZ COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Loch Dreizler, General Manager
DATE: August 16, 2023
SUBJECT: Santa Ynez West Sewer System Expansion Project, including engineer's cost estimate and graphic.

Recommendation

Review and discuss the estimated costs for the upper portion of Deer Trail Lane, Tiana Drive and Country Road.

Recommended Motion: The staff is not recommending a motion for this meeting, but a motion could be made depending on the Board review and discussion. Staff recommends referring to Wastewater Committee for further discussion.

Policy Implications

SANTA YNEZ COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT SEWER SERVICE CODE 301 - Sewer Required. The owner of any building inhabited or used by human beings and in which any sewage is produced which is located within the District boundaries and abutting on any street in which there is now located or may in the future be located a public sewer of the District is hereby required, at their expense, to connect the building to such public sewer within ninety (90) days from the time when such a connection can be made, provided that the public sewer is within two hundred (200) feet to the nearest point of the building.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the property owner **shall not** be required to connect the building to a public sewer if the building's existing private disposal system remains operational in accordance with the County's Environmental Health Services definition of what is not a failing private system.

Fiscal Implications - Depending on the extent and scope of the project.

Alternatives Considered - None

Discussion

The recent open house was well attended, especially by property owners on Deer Trail Lane, Country Road, Tiana Drive, and the un-annexed portion of the District. Also, with this winter rains, the District received multiple inquiries about connecting to the sewer system. These inquiries were due to increased groundwater levels that created negative impacts and additional concerns about existing septic systems.

Attachment(s) (distributed at the Board meeting and on website 8.15.23)

1. Addendum – Summary of Cost Estimates
2. Graphic of the proposed project areas:
 - Country Road
 - Tiana Drive and Deer Trail would likely be considered one project