

BOUNDARY AGREEMENT POLICIES

- A. Santa Clara County LAFCO honors the existing boundary agreement lines between the cities in this County.
- B. While the primary responsibility for resolving boundary agreement disputes lies with the cities who signed the agreement, LAFCO will mediate at the request of affected agencies.
- C. LAFCO will refer any landowner(s) or resident(s) who question a boundary agreement to the city whose area they are within, with a request that the city attempt to alleviate the problems of the petitioner(s).
- D. A City proposing annexation of territory outside its boundary agreement area should discuss this proposal with the other affected city or cities prior to submittal of the proposal to LAFCO.
- E. LAFCO criteria for review of a proposed boundary agreement amendment areas follows:
 - 1. The proposed boundaries should not create areas that would be difficult to serve by a city or special district.
 - 2. The city must demonstrate to LAFCO the ability to provide adequate facilities and services to the area proposed for annexation.
 - 3. Proposals must result in logical boundaries for the affected cities and should follow recognizable natural or man-made physical characteristics(i.e., creeks, major streets, property lines, freeways, railroad lines, etc.)
 - 4. Proposals should not promote the creation of special districts.
 - 5. Boundary adjustments must address adverse fiscal impacts to the affected cities, special districts, and the County.
 - 6. Consideration should be given to community identity, natural neighborhoods, school districts, and postal service.