

REVISED SERVICE CHARGE FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA 70, ZONE R-34 BIG BEAR RD

MAY 7, 2024

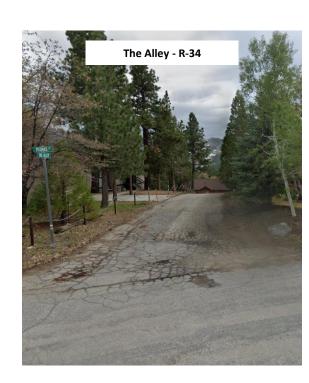


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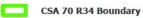
#### **BACKGROUND**

- Property owners in CSA 70 Zone R-34 Big Bear Rd (District) were contacted by Special Districts in May 2021 to discuss decreasing the level of service in the District.
- There are 26 private parcels that receive direct benefit from services provided to the District.
- The District was established in 1994 to provide road maintenance and snowplowing services at \$100 per parcel annually, with no inflationary factor.
- The service charge currently remains at \$100 per parcel, per year.



# CSA 70, ZONE R-34 BIG BEAR RD MAP





CSA 70 R34 Parcels (26)

SDD Maintained Road (Length: 1026 Ft.)

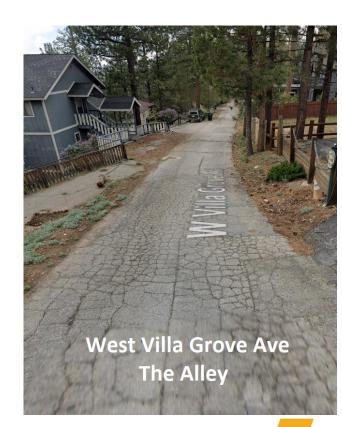
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## **PROPOSED PROJECT**

The District-maintained road is in poor condition and cannot be repaired to an acceptable standard. A Road Paving Project is being proposed as a full reconstruction is necessary, which will require:

- Pulverizing the existing roadway, grading and repaving with three inches of asphalt.
- A loan cost of \$468.02 per parcel, per year, for 10 years to fund a Capital Improvement Program for repavement.
- An Operation and Maintenance increase to \$231.04 per parcel, per year, and the increase portion being subject to an annual inflationary factor of up to 3%.
- A total increase service charge from \$100 to \$699.06 per parcel per year effective 2024-25.



#### **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

The Public Outreach completed by Special Districts includes the following:

- Property owners were issued three Assessment and Service Level letters, which were mailed on May 1, 2021, January 13, 2023, and December 13, 2023, indicating actions needed to ensure long-term viability and financial sustainability.
- Town hall meetings were hosted on February 23, 2023, and January 18, 2024, to provide details and answer questions related to the current service level, road condition, financial status, and proposed service charge increase.
- The Proposition 218 notice was mailed to property owners on February 29, 2024.



## **NEXT STEPS**

If there is no majority protest determined at the public hearing, the next steps are as follows:

- A mailed ballot election for vote by the property owners on or after June 21, 2024 will be conducted.
- The Department will return to the Board to certify the election results.
- If the vote passes:
  - ✓ Service charges will be added to tax roll and service levels restored to normal.
  - ✓ Capital Improvement Project will begin
- If the vote fails, staff may recommend the District be dissolved.

