

SUPPLEMENT SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTION: The questions on this form are designed to obtain data about the specific sphere of influence amendment application to allow the Commission, staff and others to adequately assess the application. You may also include any additional information that you believe is pertinent. Use additional sheets where necessary, and/or include any relevant documents.

1. Please provide an identification of the agencies involved in the proposed sphere of influence change(s):

SPHERE EXPANSION	SPHERE REDUCTION
San Bernardino County Fire Protection District	

2. Provide a narrative description of the following factors of consideration as outlined in Government Code Section 56425. (If additional room for response is necessary, please attach additional sheets to this form.)

The present and planned land uses in the area, as per the general plan are as follows:

Residential Zones	Acres	Percentage
Airport Park (AP)	488	3%
Desert Living (DL-5)	5113	31%
Desert Living (DL-9)	1856	11%
Desert Living (DL-2.5)	2266	14%
Mixed Use (MU)	687	4%
Medium Density Residential (R-M12)	765	5%
Single Family Residential (R-S1)	459	3%
Single Family Residential (R-S5)	3133	19%
Single Family Residential (R-1)	1340	8%
High Density Residential (R3-30)	39	0%
Medium Density Residential (R3-8)	98	1%

Non-Residential Zones	Acres	Percentage
Airport Development District (ADD)	2408	15%
Business Park (BP)	514	3%
Commercial (C)	787	5%
Light Manufacturing (LM)	1725	11%
Light Manufacturing Cannabis Only (LMCO)	813	5%
Manufacturing/Industrial (MI)	5886	36%
Open Space (OS)	3770	23%
Public Utilities (PU)	324	2%

(Source: 6th cycle of Housing Element)

The planned land uses will not change as a result of annexation. This annexation is a change in administrative billing and contracting, not representing any changes from an operations or for development purposes.

The present and probable need for public facilities and services in the area.

No changes in public services providers or level of service are expected as part of this annexation.

The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency to be expanded provides or is authorized to provide.

The San Bernardino County Fire Protection District would assume responsibility for the provision of fire protection and emergency medical services to the entire City of Adelanto community via the fire protection district instead of via contract services.

The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area.

The City of Adelanto is home to approximately 38,046 residents and faces significant social and economic challenges. The City's median household income is \$68,419, which is considerably lower than the California statewide median of \$95,521. This income disparity limits residents' access to essential services and reduces the City's ability to generate sufficient revenue for public service delivery. Adelanto also experiences a poverty rate of 16.4%, higher than the state average of 12%, indicating that a substantial portion of the population struggles to meet basic needs.

Educational attainment in Adelanto is also notably below state levels. Only 7.8% of the City's population holds a bachelor's degree or higher, compared to the statewide figure of 37.5%. Lower educational levels often correlate with reduced employment opportunities and long-term economic vulnerability, which in turn places greater reliance on public services such as fire protection, emergency response, and community safety.

The strain on local resources is evident in the City's fiscal structure. According to the adopted FY 2024–2025 budget, Adelanto allocates approximately \$6.2 million—or roughly 27% of its total expenditures—to contract county fire services. This substantial budget share underscores the critical role public safety plays in the community, but it also

highlights the financial burden of maintaining such services under limited economic capacity.

Enhancing service delivery through more optimized and stable regional partnerships would help the City better serve its disadvantaged residents and address the longstanding structural barriers to equitable service access.

(Source: 2020 Decennial Census, 2023 American Community Survey, City Budget)

The present and probable need for public facilities or services related to sewers, municipal and industrial water, or structural fire protection for any disadvantaged unincorporated community, as defined by Govt. Code Section 56033.5, within the existing sphere of influence.

San Bernardino County Fire Protection District will provide fire protection, suppression and emergency medical services to any and all disadvantaged communities within the City of Adelanto's sphere of influence.

3. **If the sphere of influence amendment includes a city sphere of influence change, provide a written statement of whether or not agreement on the sphere change between the city and county was achieved as required by Government Code Section 56425. In addition, provide a written statement of the elements of agreement (such as, development standards, boundaries, zoning agreements, etc.) (See Government Code Section 56425)**
N/A
4. **If the sphere of influence amendment includes a special district sphere of influence change, provide a written statement: (a) specifying the function or classes of service provided by the district(s) and (b) specifying the nature, location and extent of the functions or classes of service provided by the district(s). (See Government Code Section 56425(i))**
No changes to the City of Adelanto's sphere of influence.
5. **For any sphere of influence amendment either initiated by an agency or individual, or updated as mandated by Government Code Section 56425, the following service review information is required to be addressed in a narrative discussion, and attached to this supplemental form (See Government Code Section 56430):**

- a. **Growth and population projections for the affected area.**

The population is projected to be 39,190 in 2027.

(Source: Esri forecasts for 2027)

- b. **Location and characteristics of disadvantaged unincorporated communities within or contiguous to the sphere of influence.**

Contiguous unincorporated adjacent communities are already within San Bernardino County's FP-5 service zone.

- c. **Present and planned capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services, including infrastructure needs or deficiencies, including those associated with a disadvantaged unincorporated community.**

Contiguous unincorporated communities are already within San Bernardino County's FP-5 service zone.

- d. **Financial ability of agencies to provide services.**

Annexation into the FP-5 Service area is expected to net the city a \$2.4m saving. The city ran a balanced budget in FY 24-25 and is budgeting continued balanced budget in FY 25-26.

- e. **Status of, and opportunities for, shared facilities.**

Please see the Plan of Service in the attachment.

- f. **Accountability for community service needs, including governmental structure and operational efficiencies.**

Please see the Plan of Service in the attachment.

If additional sheet are submitted or a separate document provided to fulfill Item #5, the narrative description shall be signed and certified by an official of the agency(s) involved with the sphere of influence review as to the accuracy of the information provided. If necessary, attach copies of documents supporting statements.

CERTIFICATION

As a part of this application, the City of Adelanto (the applicant) agree to defend, indemnify, hold harmless, promptly reimburse San Bernardino LAFCO for all reasonable expenses and attorney fees, and release San Bernardino LAFCO, its agents, officers, attorneys, and employees from any claim, action, proceeding brought against any of them, the purpose of which is to attack, set aside, void, or annul the approval of this application or adoption of the environmental document which accompanies it.

This indemnification obligation shall include, but not be limited to, damages, penalties, fines and other costs, imposed upon or incurred by San Bernardino LAFCO should San Bernardino LAFCO be named as a party in any litigation or administrative proceeding in connection with this application.

As the person signing this application, I will be considered the proponent for the proposed action(s) and will receive all related notices and other communications. I understand that if this application is approved, the Commission will impose a condition requiring the applicant and/or the real party in interest to indemnify, hold harmless and reimburse the Commission for all legal actions that might be initiated as a result of that approval.

I hereby certify that the statements furnished above present the data and information required to the best of my ability, and that the facts, statements, and information presented herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DATE 12.8.2025


SIGNATURE
Jessie Flores
City Manager, City of Adelanto