



Lomas Laguna Petition

Territory Transfer Request from Saddleback Valley Unified
School District to Capistrano Unified School District

Petition Proposal Timeline



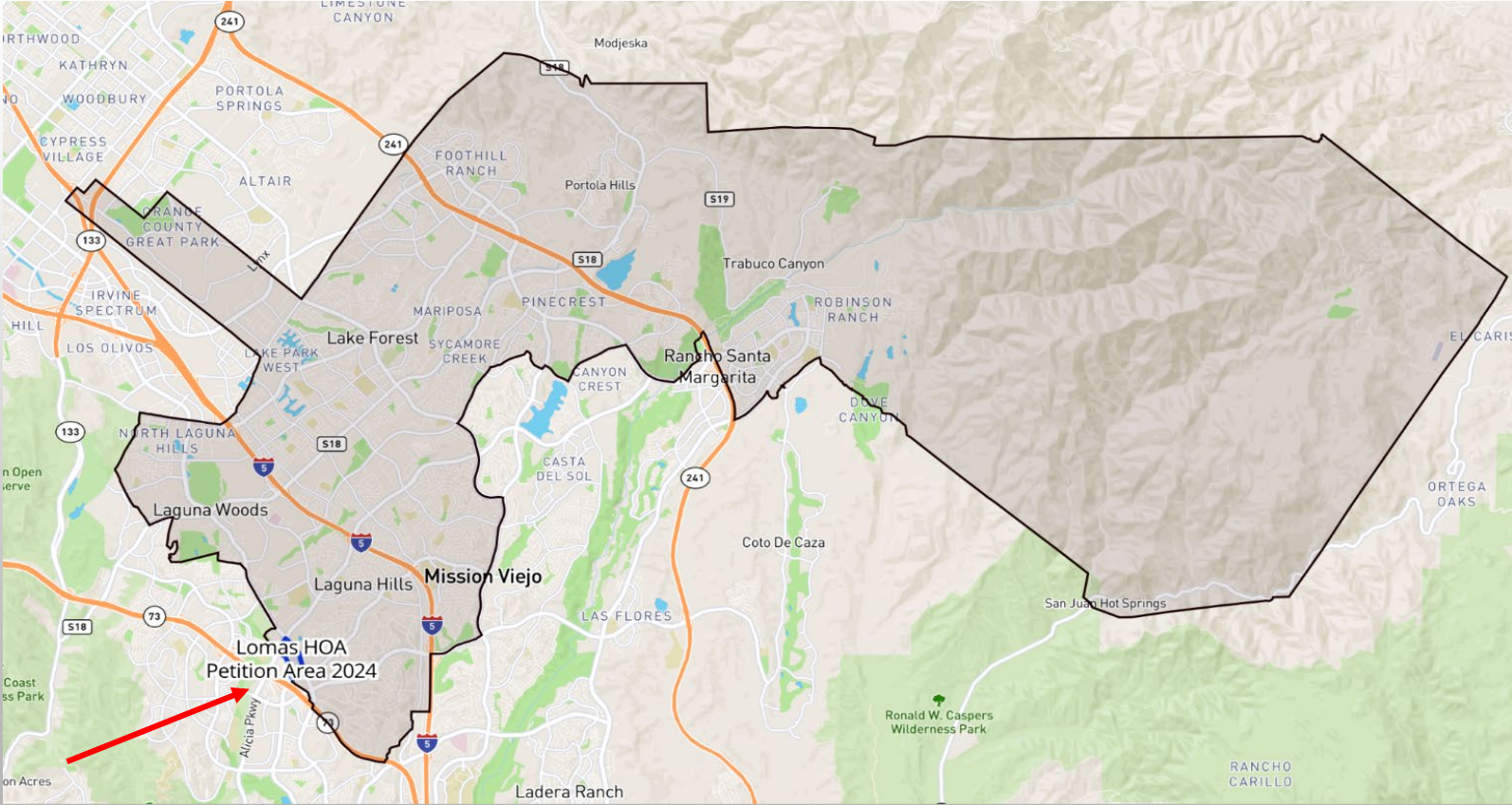
Previous Proposal:

- December 2023 proposal lacked sufficient voter signatures

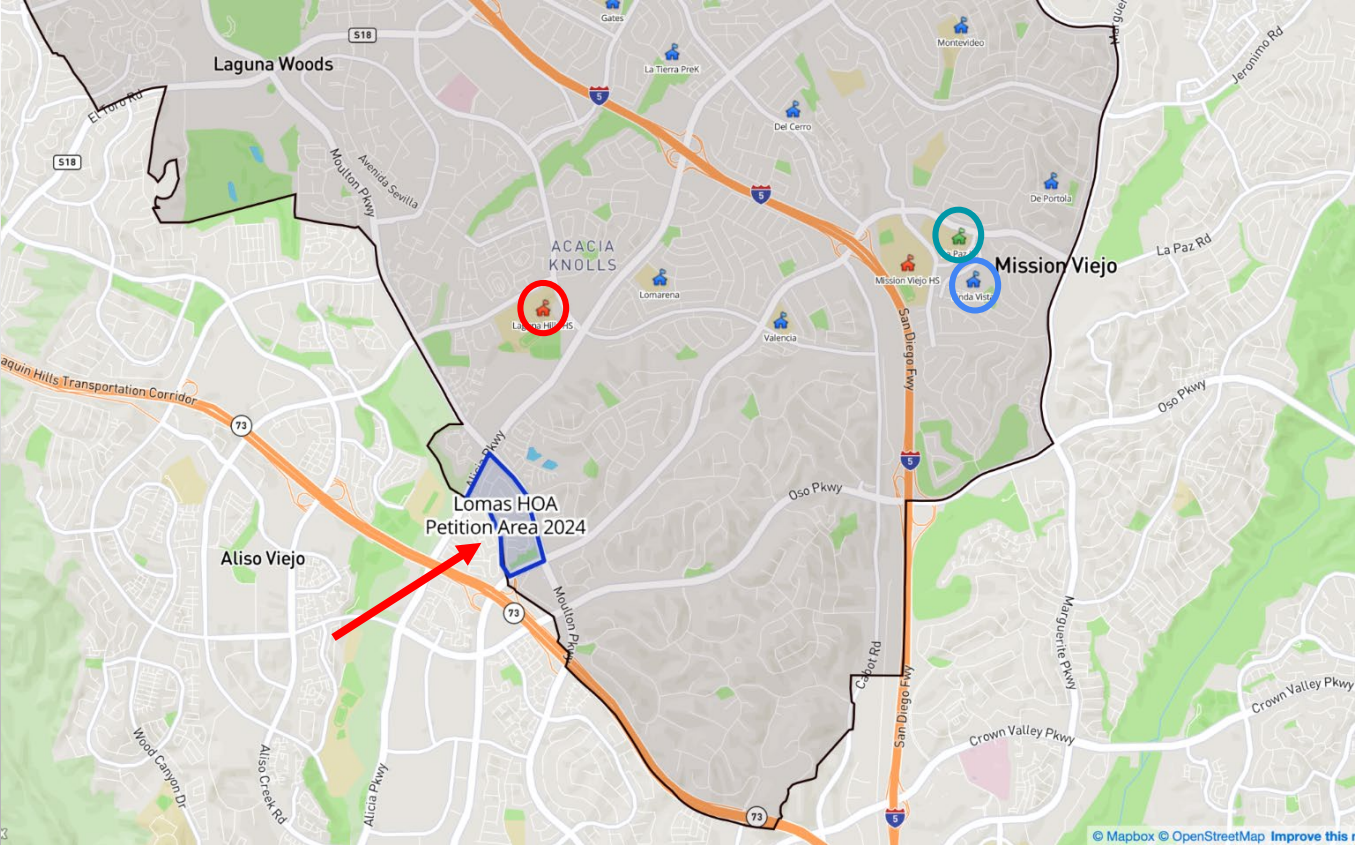
Current Proposal:

- June 2024 proposal to annex Lomas Laguna HOA
- 36 students attending SVUSD schools
- 8 students attending CUSD schools on inter-district transfer

SVUSD Boundaries























Lomas Laguna HOA



Students and Demographics



	De Portola	1
	Gates	1
	La Paz IS	7
	Laguna Hills HS	14
	Linda Vista	7
	Lomarena	2
	Valencia	4
Total / % of All		36

Item	# Contained	% Contained
 Kindergarten	2	5.56%
 1st Grade	2	5.56%
 2nd Grade	3	8.33%
 3rd Grade	3	8.33%
 4th Grade	2	5.56%
 5th Grade	1	2.78%
 6th Grade	2	5.56%
 7th Grade	4	11.11%
 8th Grade	3	8.33%
 9th Grade	2	5.56%
 10th Grade	3	8.33%
 11th Grade	5	13.89%
 12th Grade	4	11.11%

Distance to Schools from HOA



School	Distance from HOA center
Linda Vista Elementary	3.9 miles
La Paz Intermediate	3.8 miles
Laguna Hills High School	1.7 miles

Lomas Laguna Students with Inter-District Transfers



CUSD School	Number of Students	Distance from HOA Center
Aliso Niguel HS	1	1.5 miles
Tesoro HS	2	8 miles
Aliso Viejo MS	2	2.5 miles
Bergeson ES	1	3.5 miles
Moulton ES	1	4 miles
Oak Grove ES	1	2.3 miles

Only 8 of 44 students residing in the area are on inter-district transfers, representing 18% of students in the community. The other 82% of students attend SVUSD schools.

Linda Vista Elementary



Impact Upon Linda Vista Elementary



	Socio-Economically Disadvantaged (SED)	English Learner (EL)	Free or Reduced Price Meal (FRPM)
District	10,460	3,624	10,407
Linda Vista Elementary	224	116	223

Elementary Enrollment	Enrollment	Asian	Hispanic/Latino	White	Other
With petition area	278	8 (2.8%)	198 (71%)	50 (17.9%)	22 (8%)
Without petition area	271	8 (2.8%)	196 (72.3%)	48 (17.7%)	19 (7%)

- Decline of 7 students equates to 2.5% student population decrease at Linda Vista Elementary
- Combined with decreasing enrollment districtwide, this potentially increases the need to consolidate elementary schools

Community Identity



A strong community identity exists within the City of Laguna Hills. The Laguna Hills High School motto is, “One City, One School”. This motto is frequently echoed by Laguna Hills community members and there is a strong sense of pride throughout the city regarding community unity.

With 82% of Lomas Laguna HOA students attending SVUSD schools, there is no demonstrated community support from parents of school age children to have their students attend schools in another district.

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Fiscal Impact



- Saddleback Valley Unified School District enrollment continues to decline
- 2024-25 budgeted ADA loss of 1,060.6 equaling \$13.3 million
- 2024-25 lost revenue due to declining enrollment projected at \$9.72 million
- 2024-25 Fiscal impact of losing 36 students is \$447,233
- Current three year Multi-Year Projections (MYP) indicate a \$15.2 million deficit in year 3
- Annexing this area would result in an additional \$1.2 million added to the MYP year 3 deficit

Fiscal Impact



- SVUSD community passed Measure B in 2000
- Granting petition would create a long term impact upon homes within SVUSD boundaries through increased bond tax burden
- Additional funding in future bonds would be decreased if petition is granted
- Property tax revenue loss roughly \$1,000,000 in 2024-25

Closing



Saddleback Valley Unified School Districts requests the panel deny request to transfer the Lomas Laguna territory to Capistrano Unified School District. SVUSD stands to be impacted fiscally, both in the near and long term. With more than 82% of students attending SVUSD schools there is a strong community connection to the Laguna Hills Community as well as SVUSD.