

## Gary Thompson

---

**From:** Brad Anderson <ba4612442@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 15, 2023 10:30 PM  
**To:** LAFCO Information  
**Cc:** Gary Thompson  
**Subject:** Public Comment - Alternative Governance Structure(s) and Alternative Electricity Service (Draft Study - March 2023) IID

October 15, 2023

Riverside County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)  
6216 Brockton Ave. Suite: 111-B  
Riverside, CA. 92506  
Attn: Mr. G. Thompson (Executive Officer)

-----  
Dopudja and Wells Consulting  
6789 Quail Hills Parkway, #421  
Irvine, CA. 92603  
Attn: S. Dopudja (President)

Re: Written response to the Alternative Governance Structure(s) and Alternative Electricity Service (Draft Study) Imperial Irrigation District (IID)

Dear Riverside County LAFCO,

As a concern citizen of the Coachella Valley region (Riverside County) and having the ability to attend and participate in many of the newly constructed Coachella Valley Energy Commission (CVEC) open Public meetings. It has been observed that certain Cities have been able to subvert the CVEC mission (goals) by establishing an independent working relationships with the Imperial Irrigation District (IID) while having City officials actively serving on the CVEC Board of Directors.

Coachella Valley Cities along with many other Governmental agencies in the region have been demanding unrealistic growth of local communities. Those overreaching demands from local City Councils do not align with the economics of local communities and the wishes of their population.

I'm ONLY one of very few members of the general Public that have NO financial interests from attending and participating with CVEC open Public meetings.

Please consider allowing citizens within the IID service boundaries the opportunity to continue enjoying high quality service and predictable reliable sources of energy provided from IID.  
(Any overhead power distribution lines will be at increased risk of Interruption)

Option 1-A (Maintain Status-quo IID operations) would be the sensible and reasonable choice for current Coachella Valley Residents and Businesses. Having Coachella Valley Cities (Coachella/Indio/La Quinta/Cove communities plus unincorporated Riverside County communities) attempt to subvert Coachella Valley Citizens from a service provider that has been a great partner and a well operated entity. Departure from that "status quo operation" would be devastating and extremely expensive to the current population of the Coachella Valley.

Joint ventures such as (JPA's - Option 1-D) have the ability to create unnecessary harmful effects from local governmental political representatives involvement with special Interests and the uncertainty of increasing taxes/fees/surcharges to local Resident's.

Please consider the concept of "Great Customer Service" and cost-effective services. Chose Option 1-A (current operations of IID)

Sincerely,

Brad Anderson | Rancho Mirage, CA. | [ba4612442@gmail.com](mailto:ba4612442@gmail.com)

Cc: