

Benefit Assessment Report
for
Streetlighting Services in County Service Area 31
Unincorporated Community of Isla Vista

(Fiscal Year 2015-2016)

County Service Area 31 (Fund 2220)

CSA 31 was formed December 16, 1963 by Resolution No. 23685 and encompasses the community of Isla Vista. Powers it may exercise, as recognized by the Santa Barbara Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCO) include streetlighting; the installation, repair and maintenance of curbs, gutters, and sidewalks; and the planting and maintenance of streetscape landscaping. Streetlighting is funded with 100 percent of the benefit assessment revenues and the remainder with property taxes. In addition, zones of benefit may also be created when land is being subdivided to ensure that streetlighting costs associated with new development are adequately covered. The subject of this report is specific to streetlighting.

CSA 31 currently has 330 streetlights. The poles and fixtures are owned by Southern California Edison (SCE), which bills monthly for their operation and maintenance. Streetlights are added to the system through development (pursuant to Resolution 81-229) or other sources of funds and must meet County Engineering Design Standards. The \$12.93 benefit assessment rate is expected to generate \$37,697. The benefit assessment rate is factored based on the various land uses as shown:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>FACTOR</u>
Vacant farm land	0.5
Residential (single and condos)	1.0
Residential (duplex, triplex)	3.0
Apartments, courts	6.0
Heavy commercial	9.0
Light commercial	3.0
Industrial	6.0
Churches, miscellaneous, other	2.0
Government exempt	0.0