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April 13, 2017 (Agenda)

TO: Each Member of the Commission

FROM: Paul Hood *PH*
Executive Officer

SUBJECT: **Report on 2017 CALAFCO Staff Workshop**

This is an Informational Report. No Action is Necessary

The 2017 CALAFCO Staff Workshop will be held in Fresno on April 6-7, 2017. Staff will report on the workshop at the meeting.

EXHIBIT

Exhibit A 2017 CALAFCO Staff Workshop Draft Program

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

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WEDNESDAY – APRIL 5		
7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	MOBILE WORKSHOP	<p>Join us for this interactive Mobile Workshop as we have a private tour of the Foresters Underground Gardens. Hand built networks of underground rooms, courtyards and passageways, along with unique fruit producing trees, shrubs and vines fill this very interesting underground garden wonderland. From there we will travel to Fresno State University and visit the department of Viticulture & Enology. Our tour will include a presentation of the University's world-renowned department and home of tomorrow's winemakers and optional tasting. We will end with a lunch on the University campus.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Kevin Smith, Cal State Fresno</p>
1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.	WORKSHOP OPENING Welcoming Remarks	<p>Pamela Miller, CALAFCO David Fey, Fresno LAFCO Robert Silva, Fresno LAFCO Chair Pro Tem</p>
2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.	GENERAL SESSION <i>How to Increase the Odds of You and Your Organization Avoiding an Ethical Crises</i>	<p>Speaker: Kevin C. Duggan, West Coast Regional Director, ICMA Moderator: Pamela Miller, CALAFCO</p>
3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	ROUNDTABLES	<p>Legal Counsel, Clerks, and all other staff will settle into their respective roundtables for robust discussion on all things LAFCo.</p>
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. CALAFCO DINNER		

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THURSDAY – APRIL 6	
7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.	BREAKFAST
BREAKOUT SESSIONS 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	
LAFCO 101: Understanding and Applying the Basics	<p>Join us for this fun and informative session in which you will be given an overview of LAFCO from a process, policy, and legal perspective. We will discuss LAFCO authority (the can-do and the cannot-do), share insights on why decisions are made the way they are, and explore the changing landscape of LAFCOs.</p> <p>Moderator: Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer, San Mateo LAFCO</p> <p>Speakers: Christine Crawford, Executive Officer, Yolo LAFCO; Paul Novak, Executive Officer, Los Angeles LAFCO; David Ruderiman, Senior Counsel, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley</p>
BOE Mapping Processes and Requirements	<p>This session will cover a variety of topics including the Ins and Outs of Form BOE-400-TA; the finishing stages of completing a Change of Organization; what's required by BOE and what they do with all of that paperwork. Also hear updates on e-filing and ways to make the process easier. There will also be plenty of time for Q&A.</p> <p>Moderator: George Spiliotis, Executive Officer, Riverside LAFCO</p> <p>Speakers: Anna Marie Price, Research Analyst II, Board of Equalization; Ric Schwarting, Research Manager, Board of Equalization</p>
Healthcare Districts and LAFCOs: What's Going On?	<p>The session will include a broad overview of California's healthcare services system, an overview of healthcare districts and where they are headed in today's uncertain healthcare environment. You will also have an opportunity to hear about different issues that LAFCOs face with respect to healthcare districts.</p> <p>Moderator: Mona Palacios, Executive Officer, San Mateo LAFCO</p> <p>Speakers: Amber King, Senior Legislative Advocate, Association of California Healthcare Districts; Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer, Contra Costa LAFCO; Mark Bramfitt, Executive Officer, Sonoma LAFCO.</p>
10:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. – SNACK BREAK	

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GENERAL SESSION 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.	SGMA and LAFCoS: Covering it All Including Water, Science, Law and Governance	<p>SGMA requires the formation of local groundwater sustainability agencies (GSAs) that must assess conditions in their local water basins and adopt locally-based management plans. The formation of GSAs has sparked interest in water district formation and governance in a number of California communities. LAFCoS are sometimes caught in the middle of landowner desires to have a GSA and voice at the table and those stakeholders who do not want additional regulation. Today's panel of experts intends to explore the scientific, legal and governing issues involved in managing California groundwater resources today.</p>	<p>Moderator: Paul Hood, Executive Officer, Santa Barbara LAFCo</p> <p>Speakers: Lauren Layne, Shareholder, Baker Manock & Jensen; Derrick Williams, Hydrogeologist; Steve Lucas, Executive Officer, Butte LAFCo</p>
12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.	LUNCH		
BREAKOUT SESSIONS 1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.			
To be Sued or Not to be Sued, That's the Question – So What's the Action?		<p>This highly interactive session will feature a panel of expert LAFCo attorneys who will share insights on how to effectively avoid being sued. Following the panel discussion, groups will be given several case studies to work through and receive expert legal feedback on your potential actions. You will be able to determine your level of expertise in taking appropriate actions to avoid the dreaded lawsuit.</p>	<p>Moderator: Pamela Miller, CALAFCo</p> <p>Speakers: P. Scott Browne, Attorney at Law; Kara Ueda, Partner, Best Best & Krieger; Holly Whatley, Shareholder, Colantuono, Highsmith and Whatley</p>
DUC's Part I: Learning To Walk Like a DUC...		<p>This is the first of a two-part session on Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUC). This session presents a summary of legislative history leading to DUCs, how DUCs have emerged as a topic of interest, and how LAFCo is affected by them.</p>	<p>Moderator: David Fey, Executive Officer, Fresno LAFCo</p> <p>Speakers: Ben Giuliani, Executive Officer, Tulare LAFCo; Bill Nicholson, Executive Officer, Merced and San Benito LAFCos</p>
3:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	LITE SNACK BREAK		

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.		
<p>DUCs Part II: If It Looks Like a DUC...</p>	<p>This DUC mapping session will look into how to map Disadvantage Unincorporated Communities (DUCs). The discussion will include sources of data, pros and cons of the different data sets available, and what are LAFCOs currently doing. We will conclude with a live GIS demonstration showing the ability of taking raw data and merging it into graphic data that can be displayed on a map.</p>	<p>Speakers: Doug Dorado, Government Analyst, Los Angeles LAFCo; Joe Serrano, Local Governmental Analyst, San Diego LAFCo</p>
<p>Out of Agency Service Extensions: Is Section 56133 A Creative Fix Or An Illegitimate Loophole to CKH?</p>	<p>This session will provide an entertaining overview of Government Code Section 56133, how it applies and the various exceptions to LAFCo's approval role. We will explore whether this law promotes illegitimate extension of services into the countryside supporting leap frog development instead of requiring logical and orderly annexation to the city or district. The alternate view considered is that it provides a nifty tool for LAFCos to exert local discretion in solving service delivery problems outside the ridged confines of the CKH annexation process.</p>	<p>Moderator: Bill Nicholson, Executive Officer, Merced and San Benito LAFCos</p> <p>Speakers: José C. Henríquez, Executive Officer, El Dorado LAFCo; Sara Lyle-Pinhey, Executive Officer, Stanislaus LAFCo; George Spiliotis, Executive Officer, Riverside LAFCo</p>
<p>All Things Cannabis: Land Use, Cultivation, Water and Ag Land Preservation and Impacts</p>	<p>With the adoption of the Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act in 2015 and the passage of Proposition 64 last November, California is preparing for big changes in the use and regulation of medical and recreational marijuana. This panel will provide an overview of the new state laws governing marijuana use, cultivation, manufacturing and sale. We will address these issues from a variety of perspectives including legal, local government and industry viewpoints with an eye toward impacts of the marijuana industry on the work of LAFCos.</p>	<p>Moderator: David J. Ruderman, Senior Counsel, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC</p> <p>Speakers: Jonathan Hobbs, City Attorney, City of Elk Grove; Neil Hall, Marijuana Consultant, SCI Consulting; Sean Brewer, Community Development Director, City of Coalinga; Hanspeter Walter, Shareholder, Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Girard</p>
<p>5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">BOUNTY OF YOUR COUNTY RECEPTION (dinner on your own)</p>	

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BREAKFAST	
BREAKOUT SESSIONS 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	
<p>SB 88/SB 552 – Consolidation of Water Systems</p>	<p>Under SB 88 and SB 552, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) has the authority to order certain consistently failing water system to consolidate with another, viable water system. How the SWRCB decides whether a water system meets this test and when it should exercise this new authority are issues relevant to LAFCos state-wide. This panel will discuss these issues with SWRCB representatives and discuss the role LAFCos can play to ensure safe drinking water for all Californians.</p>
<p>MSR Accountability in an Open Data Climate</p>	<p>LAFCos are required to evaluate local agencies on their "accountability" in MSRs. But what is an accountable public agency by today's standards? With the burgeoning trend towards more open data, we'll explore what this means for LAFCos and how we may need to rethink our expectations regarding evaluation of public agency accountability. This session will offer practical checklists to measure accountability other helpful information to improve public agency transparency in your county.</p>
<p>CEQA – What to Look for in CEQA Documents</p>	<p>In this session, we will pay special attention to LAFCo's role as both a Responsible and Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Attend this session to familiarize yourself with best practices for LAFCos to employ when reviewing and providing comments on CEQA reports and to explore the question What is LAFCo's role as the "Responsible Agency" or "Lead Agency" under the California Environmental Quality Act?</p>
	<p>Speakers: Michelle Frederick, Northern California Consolidation Coordinator, State Water Resource Control Board; Caitlin Juarez, Field Engineer, State Water Resource Control Board; Ben Giuliani, Executive Officer, Tulare LAFCo</p>
	<p>Moderator: Christine Crawford, Executive Officer, Yolo LAFCo</p> <p>Speakers: Don J. Cameron, Vice President, Terranova Ranch, Inc.; Dillon Gibbons, Legislative Representative, CSDA; Rachel Jones, Analyst, Marin LAFCo</p>
	<p>Speakers: P. Scott Browne, Attorney at Law; Patrick McCormick, Executive Officer, Santa Cruz LAFCo; Alisha Winterswyk, Partner, Best Best & Krieger LLP</p>

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10:15a.m. to 10:30 a.m.		
GENERAL SESSION 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	CALAFCO Organization and Legislative Updates	Join your CALAFCO staff and Legislative Committee leaders and hear all the latest Association news as well as an up-to-the-minute legislative report on all bills of interest to CALAFCO. Speakers: Pamela Miller, Executive Director, CALAFCO; Steve Lucas, Executive Officer, Butte LAFCO; Paul Novak, Executive Officer, Los Angeles LAFCo; Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer, Contra Costa LAFCo

Thank you for attending the 2017 CALAFCO Staff Workshop!!

Final program will be available very soon.