

Santa Barbara LAFCO

Report on 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference

April 7, 2016

2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference

- The 2016 CALAFCO Conference Planning Committee held its Fourth Meeting on March 22, 2016 by conference call. As determined by the Commission, the theme for the conference is: ***“Orchards to Oceans: Balancing California’s Diversity.”***

Call For Presentations

Eight proposals were submitted by the deadline as follows:

- **Proposal 1:** Incorporations -Paul Novak, LA LAFCO
- **Proposal 2:** LAFCO/Responsible Agency-Neelima Palacherla, Santa Clara LAFCO
- **Proposal 3:** District Formations and SGMA-John O'Farrell, Consultant
- **Proposal 4:** AB 8, Prop Tax Exchange, and LAFCOs-Jose Henriquez, El Dorado
- **Proposal 5:** Water Status Report-David Church, SLO LAFCO
- **Proposal 6:** Using GIS for LAFCO Research-E. Teñell Matlovsky, SB County Surveyor
- **Proposal 7:** AB 1234 Ethics-2 Hour Session-Paul Hood, SB LAFCO
- **Proposal 8:** Local Producer Steve Nicolaides and groundwater documentary

Conference Logo



Mobile Workshop and Special Events

- As the host LAFCO, we are working on a Mobile Workshop on Wednesday morning before the Conference begins. The Mobile Workshop is an opportunity for the host LAFCO to showcase one or two unique locales or facilities that benefit the local environment.
- Santa Barbara Desal Plant tour, Lake Cachuma/Bradbury Dam. Flower Facility in Carpinteria, Wineries, Local Chef's, Thursday night Banquet.

Sponsorships:

- For the first time this year, CALAFCO has hired a “sponsorship team” for the Annual Conference. What this means is that CALAFCO will contact prospective sponsors directly through the sponsorship team.
- Therefore, if any Commissioners have a prospective sponsor(s), please send their contact information, including names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses, to Commission Clerk Jacquelyne Alexander. Jacquelyne will then forward the information directly to CALAFCO’s sponsorship team.

Possible Conference Sessions:

- 1. AB 3 session to discuss Universities/State Agencies
- 2. UC System and changes that affect LAFCOs
- 3. Greenhouse gas and how this issues plays into LAFCO decisions.
- 4. State overrides of local authority: SGMA, SB 239, SB 88 to name a few.
- 5. When the drought ends? Everything will be fine!?! A session exploring the future
- 6. Interactive Educational General session: possibly water as topic: Steve/Scott
- 7. Desal/Recycled water/water alternatives session: Interagency Coordination
- 8. Water and Governance-The new landscape shaped by drought, SGMA, & Growth
- 9. SB 244 DUC's: How is that working for ya?
- 10. JPAs and LAFCO: Necessary Legislation or Not?
- 11. Cutting Edge Technology and LAFCO: GIS, Public Policy, Trends, and Drones

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission Receive Report on 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference in Santa Barbara –Provide Direction to Staff Regarding the Conference including program topics, Mobile Workshop and Thursday's Banquet themes