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January 7, 2010 (Agenda)

Local Agency Formation Commission 105 East Anapamu Street, Room 403 Santa Barbara CA 93101

Regional Structure or Elections for CALAFCO Board of Directors

Dear Members of the Commission:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission determine whether it wishes to take a position regarding the proposed regional structure for CALAFCO.

DISCUSSION

The California Association of LAFCOs (CALAFCO) is a voluntary association of LAFCOs to which the Santa Barbara LAFCO belongs.

The enclosed November 18, 2009 memorandum from the CALAFCO Board of Directors requests input regarding whether there should be regional forums or a regional structure for CALAFCO and if so what LAFCOs do we feel should be included in "our" region.

Commissioner Cathy Schlottmann is a member of the CALAFCO Board of Directors and is most familiar with the issues which have been raised. Staff defers to Commissioner Schlottmann for her views on whether the Commission should take a position on this subject.

Also enclosed is an October 29, 2009 memorandum to CALAFCO from Executive Director Bill Chiat that provides a useful history of how this issue has arisen and been handled over the past several months. Other enclosed documents are an August 7, 2009 "policy statement" on creating regions within CALAFCO and a "strategic plan" for implementation.

Also enclosed are suggestions from various LAFCOs regarding a possible regional structure or grouping of individual LAFCOs into regions.

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Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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