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TO: Each Member of the Commission

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SUBJECT: **Report on the 2014 CALAFCO Annual Conference**

This is an Informational Report. No Action is Necessary

The 2014 CALAFCO Annual Conference will be held in Ontario, California, October 15-17. Several Commissioners and the Executive Officer will be attending the Conference. Following the conference, a report and handouts will be posted on the SBLAFCO website and also presented at the Commission's November 6, 2014, meeting.

The full Conference Program is attached to this staff report. More information is available on the CALAFCO website at: www.calafco.org

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Announcing...

The 2014 CALAFCO
Annual Conference Program
Hosted by San Bernardino LAFCo

October 15-17, 2014

At the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Ontario Airport, Ontario, CA

Registration is open!

Content Rich Sessions Include:

Wednesday General Sessions

Walking With Dinosaurs

With a collective century of LAFCo experience, our speakers will present informed perspectives on the evolution of laws impacting boundary regulation and LAFCo's changing roles since the early 1960s.

Cyber Security: Are You and Your Public Agency Adequately Protected?

Hear from a security expert on the creative ways hackers are infiltrating systems and the latest best practices to keep your agency secure.

Groundwater Basins: Governance Today and in the Future

One of the hottest issues in the State today, this diverse panel will discuss basin governance, State legislative actions, and present best practices.

Beer & Wine Reception

Thursday Morning General & Breakout Sessions

Regional Caucus Meetings & Elections

CALAFCO Annual Business Meeting

Regional Roundtables, Legal Counsel & Associate Member Roundtables

Luncheon Keynote Speaker, Randall W. Lewis

Thursday Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Water Supply & Analysis: Policies and Practices

This interactive session will explore how state law, unique local conditions, management practices, and LAFCo policies affect LAFCo decisions.

Lead by Design. Create Your Future Using Next Generation Technology Today

Feel like you just can't keep up with the fast-paced world of technology? This session puts Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in perspective and offers best practices and the latest trends in GIS.

Growing Trends in Collaborative Service Delivery

More and more agencies are looking to shared services to gain efficiencies. This session highlights best practices and strategies of shared services.

Do We Really Need to Protect Our Mineral Resources?

Although California is rich with mineral resources, their extraction often elicits community opposition. Panelists will address the legitimate need for protection of mineral resources, the connection to preserving open space, and LAFCo's role in mineral resource regulation.

LAFCos and Joint Power Authorities: Defining a Relationship That Makes Sense Post C-K-H.

This interactive session will explore the relationship between these entities and potential legislation on strengthening the connection.

Performance Evaluations: Do They Help or Hinder Performance?

Without a doubt, performance evaluations create anxiety for everyone involved. Hear from HR professionals about creative and inclusive ways to bring archaic employee review processes up to date.

Dinner and Annual CALAFCO Awards Ceremony

Friday Morning General & Breakout Sessions

CALAFCO Board of Directors Meeting

Connecting LAFCos and COGs For Mutual Benefit

Speakers from northern and southern area COGs will address the relationship between them and how to strengthen that linkage for mutual benefit.

How to Effectively Engage the Public in LAFCo Actions

Tired of the same old public hearings as a way to hear from your community? Come hear about creative and inclusive methods of engaging the public for maximum benefit.

SOIs - They Really Aren't That Scary

Hear from LAFCo staff and Commissioners about how to use Spheres effectively and collaboratively with all stakeholders relative to present and future service needs and delivery.

CALAFCO Legislative Update

Join us as we recap the 2014 legislative year and highlight adopted legislation that impacts LAFCos. We will also provide a sneak peak at potential legislation CALAFCO is considering for 2015-16.

Note: Sessions are tentative and subject to change

Special Highlights

Mobile Workshop

Visit the Frontier Project (LEED designed facility), followed by a tour and tasting at the Joseph Filippi Winery, concluding with lunch at the historic Magic Lamp Inn on Route 66.

Wednesday from
8:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

LAFCo 101: Understanding & Applying the Basics

This diverse panel of experts will discuss LAFCo's regulation of cities and special districts and answer your questions about administering LAFCo law.

Wednesday from
10:00 a.m. to Noon

Luncheon Keynote

Featuring

Randall W. Lewis,

Exec. VP of Lewis Group of Companies

Thursday Luncheon

8th Annual Beer & Wine Competition

Invaluable Networking Opportunities

- Regional Roundtables on trending LAFCo issues
- Counsel and Associate Member roundtables
- 8th CALAFCO Beer & Wine Competition and Reception
- Networking breakfasts
- Receptions



DoubleTree by Hilton, Ontario, CA

Make your reservations now at the DoubleTree by Hilton at the CALAFCO special rate of \$99. Find the link at www.calafco.org.

