

Santa Barbara LAFCO

Report on 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference

May 5, 2016

2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference

- The 2016 CALAFCO Conference Planning Committee held its Fifth Meeting on April 27, 2016 by conference call. As determined by the Commission, the theme for the conference is: ***“Orchards to Oceans: Balancing California’s Diversity.”***

Call For General and Breakout Sessions and Rankings

- **General Sessions – Top 3**
- California Water Status Report: State, Regional, Local
- Ag Preservation: Where are we at? Where are we going?
- State overrides: Why the trend? Should LAFCO's embrace or resist? (AB 3, SGMA, SB 239, SB 88, SB1318)
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- **Breakout Sessions – Top 6**
- Cutting Edge Trends and LAFCO: GIS, Public Policy, DUCs, Future Challenges
- Growth and Development By the Numbers: A look at key demographic and governance changes post CKH
- LAFCO/Responsible Agency–CEQA and being a Responsible Agency
- AB 8, Property Tax Exchanges and LAFCOs
- Desal/Recycled water/water alternatives session: Interagency Coordination
- DUC's: SB 244, Sb 1318 and LAFCO's role in providing services

Mobile Workshop, Special Events, and Appointment of Host Committee

- 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.
- We were asked to come up with a couple of options for the Mobile Workshop, the Wednesday evening event, and Thursday Evening Banquet. Commission input is also requested. Since the Commission has not appointed a 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference Host Committee, it is recommended that the Commission appoint three Commissioners to serve on the Host Committee
- Santa Barbara Desal Plant tour, Goleta Sanitary District Water Treatment Plant Upgrade, 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.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission:

- 1) Appoint Three Commissioners to serve on the 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference Host Committee, and
- 2) Provide other direction to staff, as necessary