

# MEMORANDUM

November 14, 2018  
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**CONTRA COSTA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION**  
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November 8, 2018

**TO:** Each Member of the Commission

**FROM:** LAFCO Executive Officer

**SUBJECT:** Highlights of 2018 Annual CALAFCO Conference

Commissioners, guests and LAFCO staff attended the 2018 Annual CALAFCO Conference in Yosemite (October 3-5). The conference was very well attended with approximately 325 attendees, guests and speakers representing 47 of the 58 LAFCOs.

The conference theme was *A Vision for California* and provided a number of timely sessions. General sessions included “*The Natural Disaster Phenomenon: How it is Changing the Way LAFCOs Plan and Respond*,” *Municipal Service Reviews – Friend or Foe?*” (Commissioner Tatzin was a speaker), and *Promoting Adaptive Change in a Messy World*.

Breakout sessions included *Agricultural Preservation – From Vision to Action* (Commissioner Tatzin was a presenter), *LAFCOs’ Role to Encourage and Support Local Agency Accountability and Transparency*, *LAFCOs and Affordable Housing – What’s the Connection?*, *State Tools for Climate Smart Growth*, *LAFCO in a Perfect World: A Facilitated Creative Discussion on Making LAFCOs More Effective*, and *LAFCOs and Fire Protection Services: Synching up Spheres, Boundaries, Contracts and Auto Aid*.

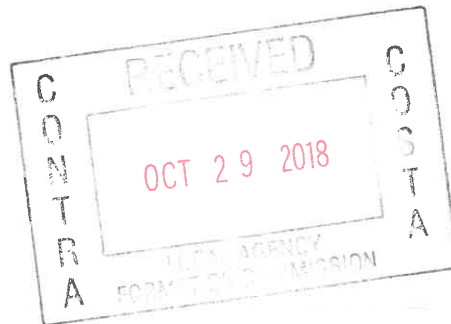
The conference drew a number of expert speakers including representatives from the State Water Resources Control Board, CALFIRE, USDA Forest Service, California Department of Conservation, Strategic Growth Council, Self-Help Enterprises and Urban Footprint; as well Assembly members Aguiar-Curry and Caballero, and a number of local government officials and LAFCO Commissioners and staff from around the State.

The conference also included a mobile workshop on tree mortality and the impacts to California, a LAFCO 101 session, regional caucus meetings and elections (Commissioner McGill was re-elected to the CALAFCO Board), the annual CALAFCO business meeting, the annual awards ceremony, CALAFCO Board of Directors meeting, and a CALAFCO legislative update. During the annual CALAFCO meeting, Commissioner McGill was appointed Vice Chair of the CALAFCO Board of Directors. Conference material is available on the CALAFCO website at [www.calafco.org](http://www.calafco.org).

The 2019 CALAFCO Conference will be held in Sacramento (October 30 – November 1).

October 25, 2018

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Dear Chair and Commission:

On behalf of the California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO), I would like to thank your commission for allowing some of your members and/or staff the opportunity to attend the CALAFCO 2018 Annual Conference in Yosemite.

We understand that prioritizing expenditures can be challenging. Ensuring you and your staff have access to ongoing professional development and specialized educational opportunities, allows all of you the opportunity to better serve your commission and fulfill the mission of LAFCo. The sharing of information and resources among the LAFCo commissioners and staff statewide serves to strengthen the LAFCo network and creates opportunities for rich and value-added learning that is applied within each LAFCo.

We also wish to thank Commissioner Mike McGill for his service on the CALAFCO Board and congratulate him on his re-election to the Board and election to the role of Vice Chair.

Thank you again for your participation in the CALAFCO 2018 Annual Conference, I hope you found it a valuable experience. We truly appreciate your membership and value your involvement in CALAFCO.

Yours sincerely,

Pamela Miller  
Executive Director

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# 2019 Events Calendar

## JANUARY

- 16-18 League New Mayor & Council Academy (Sacramento)
- 23-25 CA Assn. of Sanitation Agencies Conference (Palm Springs)
- 25 **CALAFCO Legislative Committee** (San Diego)
- 30-2/1 League New Mayor & Council Academy (Irvine)

## FEBRUARY

- 22 **CALAFCO Legislative Committee** (Sacramento)
- 28 **CALAFCO Board of Directors Strategic Planning Retreat** (Irvine)

## MARCH

- 1 **CALAFCO Board of Directors Meeting (TBD)**
- 13 Assn. of CA Water Agencies Legislative Symposium (Sacramento)
- 14-17 Local Government Commission Ahwahnee Conference (Yosemite)
- 22 **CALAFCO Legislative Committee** (San Diego)

## APRIL

- 3-5 Fire District Assn. Annual Meeting (Monterey)
- 10-12 **CALAFCO Staff Workshop (San Jose)**
- 24 League of Cities Legislative Day (Sacramento)
- 24-25 CA State Assn. of Counties Legislative Days (Sacramento)

## MAY

- 3 **CALAFCO Legislative Committee** (Sacramento)
- 10 **CALAFCO Board of Directors Meeting** (Sacramento)
- 7-10 Assn. of CA Water Agencies Conference (Monterey)
- 21 CA Special Districts Assn. Legislative Days (Sacramento)

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## JUNE

- 7 **CALAFCO Legislative Committee** (Conference call)
- 19-21 League Mayor & Council Executive Forum (Newport Beach)

## JULY

- 26 **CALAFCO Legislative Committee** (Conference call)

## AUGUST

- 9 **CALAFCO Board of Directors Meeting (San Diego)**
- 21-23 CA Assn. of Sanitation Agencies Annual Conference (San Diego)

## SEPTEMBER

- 25-27 Regional Council of Rural Counties Annual Conference (South Lake Tahoe)
- 25-28 CA Special Districts Assn. Annual Conference (Anaheim)

## OCTOBER

- 11 **CALAFCO Legislative Committee (2020)** (Conference call)
- 16-18 League Annual Conference (Long Beach)
- 30-31 **CALAFCO Annual Conference** (Sacramento)
- 31 **CALAFCO Annual Business Meeting** (Sacramento)

## NOVEMBER

- 1 **CALAFCO Annual Conference** (Sacramento)
- 1 **CALAFCO Board of Directors Meeting** (Sacramento)
- 15 **CALAFCO Legislative Committee (2020)** (Sacramento)

## DECEMBER

- 3-6 CA State Assn. of Counties Annual Conference (San Francisco)
- 3-6 Assn. of CA Water Agencies Conference (San Diego)
- 13 **CALAFCO Board of Directors Meeting** (Sacramento)