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August 11, 2021 **Agenda Item 10** 

August 11, 2021 (Agenda)

Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission 40 Muir Road, 1st Floor Martinez, CA 94553

#### CALAFCO Annual Conference, Call for Board Member Nominations and **Achievement Award Nominations**

#### **Dear Commissioners:**

The annual CALAFCO conference will be held October 6-8, 2021 at the Hyatt Regency Newport Beach John Wayne Airport. Conference and registration information is attached (Attachment 1), and conference updates are posted on the CALAFCO website at www.calafco.org.

Each year, prior to the annual conference, CALAFCO calls for Achievement Award and Board of Director nominations. The CALAFCO Board of Directors recently updated the CALAFCO Achievement Awards program (Attachment 2). Nominations are now open for both the 2020 and 2021 CALAFCO Achievement Awards (there were no awards in 2020 due to the pandemic). The awards recognize outstanding achievements by individuals and organizations committed to LAFCO goals and principles. The deadline for award nominations is August 13, 2021. LAFCO staff proposes to nominate Contra Costa Water District and Diablo Water District for their continued efforts to extend municipal water service to disadvantaged communities – see draft nomination (Attachment 3).

CALAFCO is also calling for nominations for seats on the CALAFCO Board of Directors (Attachment 4). There are eight seats up for election this Fall - two from each of the four regions. The Coastal Region seats include a City Member and a Public Member. The deadline for Board nominations is September 7, 2021. Election of CALAFCO Board members and Achievement Award ceremony will take place at the annual CALAFCO conference on October 7, 2021. Commissioner McGill serves on the CALAFCO Board representing the Coastal Region. Commissioner McGill is the CALAFCO Immediate Past Chair and serves on several CALAFCO committees including the Legislative Committee.

The CALAFCO bylaws require that each LAFCO designate a voting delegate to vote on behalf of their Commission. The voting delegate may be a commissioner, alternate commissioner, or executive officer. Voting delegates must be designated by **September 7, 2021.** 

**Recommendations:** Advise as to any Board and Achievement Award nominations, appoint a voting delegate and alternate, and direct staff to forward the information to CALAFCO.

Sincerely,

LOU ANN TEXEIRA EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Attachment 1 – CALAFCO Conference Announcement

Attachment 2 – CALAFCO Achievement Awards Nomination Packet

Attachment 3 - Contra Costa LAFCO Achievement Award Nomination - DRAFT

Attachment 4 - CALAFCO Board Nomination Packet



# Announcing The 2021 CALAFCO Annual Conference

Hosted by CALAFCO



#### October 6 - 8

Hyatt Regency, Newport Beach Conveniently located near the John Wayne Airport

#### Highly Relevant & Diverse General & Breakout Session Topics

- The New Era: State of the State in terms of extreme water and fire issues, and what it means for LAFCo\* (Wed)
- Looming pension liabilities (Thu)
- City/District funding and property tax agreements (Thu)
- Post-pandemic workforce best practices for hiring staff (Thu)
- Hot topic facilitated breakouts two rounds (Thu)
- The "bilities" of water and the LAFCo connection: Availability, accessibility, and portability (along with quality and state mandates)\* (Wed)
- Cyber Security threats to LAFCos and local agencies\* (Fri)
- Annual CALAFCO Legislative Update\* (Fri)
- CALAFCO Annual Business Meeting (for all CALAFCO members)\* (Thu)

*Note*: The Program is subject to change. \*Indicates General Session

# Mark your calendar and plan to attend!

Registration is now open! Visit www.calafco.org

#### Special Highlights

#### LAFCo 101

An introduction to LAFCo and LAFCo law for Commissioners, Staff, and anyone interested in learning more about LAFCo

> Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to Noon

# **Special Thursday afternoon session:**

#### **Hot Topic Roundtables**

Join us for a special kind of breakout session format:

#### topical roundtables.

Choose the topics that are of most interest to you and join the conversation. This is a chance to share issues, existing best practice solutions, and create new and innovation solutions. Each round of the two-round breakouts will be approx. 50 mins.

Topical list still being prepared and may include LAFCo indemnification, sea level rise, pandemic recovery, local fire issues, local water issues.



# It's been 2 years since we've seen you...are you missing each other?

# We've Created Invaluable Networking

#### **Opportunities for Reconnection!**

- Regional Roundtable discussions on current regional LAFCo issues
- Extended roundtable discussion for LAFCo legal counsel
- Networking breakfasts and extended breaks
- Welcome Reception Wednesday
- Thursday Pre-dinner Reception & breaks with Sponsors
- Awards Banquet Thursday

# Hyatt Regency Newport Beach at the John Wayne Airport



Make your reservations now at the *Hyatt Regency* at the special CALAFCO rate of \$194 (excludes tax and fees). Special rates available 3 days pre- and post-conference on availability, includes inroom wifi and parking.

Reservation cutoff date is 9/6/21.

#### TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS,

PLEASE VISIT: <a href="https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/SNARJ/G-CAL2">https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/SNARJ/G-CAL2</a> or call directly at 949-975-1234 and reference CALAFCO event.

Visit <u>www.calafco.org</u> for Conference details or call us at 916-442-6536.



**Date:** May 24, 2021

**To:** CALAFCO Members

LAFCo Commissioners and Staff Other Interested Organizations

**From:** CALAFCO Achievement Awards Committee

Subject: 2021 CALAFCO Achievement Award Nominations

On behalf of the Association, we are pleased to announce the newly updated CALAFCO Achievement Awards program and the opening of the nomination period. During the past year while the Committee and program were in hiatus due to the pandemic, the program underwent a comprehensive review and update. On April 30, 2021, the Board of Directors unanimously approved and adopted the program.

Each year, CALAFCO recognizes outstanding achievements by dedicated and committed individuals and/or organizations from throughout the state at the Annual Conference Achievement Awards Ceremony. This year's ceremony will be on October 7 at the Hyatt Regency Newport Beach John Wayne Airport, during the awards banquet.

Recognizing individual and organizational achievements is an important responsibility. It provides visible recognition and support to those who go **above and beyond** in their work to advance the principles and goals of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act. We invite you to use this opportunity to nominate the individuals and organizations you feel deserve this important recognition based on the criteria outlined. **Please carefully review the nomination instructions and the criteria for each category. Incomplete nominations will not be considered by the Committee, nor will nominations that do not adhere to the submittal guidelines.** 

For this year only, the nomination period covers the 2020 and 2021 timeframe. This is because there were no awards last year. This will be a one-time only expansion of the timeframe. SPECIFICALLY, THAT IS JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021. Please ensure your nomination highlights achievements only during this timeframe.

To make a nomination, please use the following procedure:

- 1. Nominations may be made by an individual, a LAFCo, a CALAFCO Associate Member, or any other organization.
- Each nomination must meet the specific award category criteria for consideration. The Committee
  will not consider any nomination for an award for any category other than the one for which it was
  submitted. Duplicate nominations will not be considered by the Committee.
- 3. Nominations *must be submitted with a completed nomination form*. Please use a separate form for each nomination. The form is your opportunity to highlight the most important points of your nomination.
- 4. Nomination Executive Summaries must be limited to no more than 250 words in length. Nomination Summaries must be limited to no more than 1,000 words or 2 pages in length maximum. You are encouraged to write them in a clear, concise and understandable manner. If the Awards Committee members require additional information, you will be contacted with that request. Any nomination received that exceeds this amount will not be considered by the Committee.

- 5. All supporting information (e.g. reports, news articles, etc.) must be submitted with the nomination. *Limit supporting documentation to no more than 3 pages.* If the Awards Committee members require additional information, you will be contacted with that request. Any nomination received that exceeds this amount *will not be considered by the Committee*.
- 6. All nomination materials must be submitted at one time and must be received by the deadline. No late nominations will be accepted no exceptions. Electronic submittals are required and must be submitted as pdf document, using the fillable pdf document provided.
- 7. Nominations and supporting materials <u>must</u> be received no later than 3:00 p.m., Friday, August 13, 2021. Send nominations via e-mail to:

Stephen Lucas, CALAFCO Executive Officer slucas@buttecounty.net AND
Christine Crawford, CALAFCO Deputy Executive Officer christine.crawford@yolocounty.org

Please contact Steve Lucas, CALAFCO Executive Officer, at slucas@buttecounty.net or (530) 538-7784 with any questions.

#### Members of the 2021 CALAFCO Board of Directors Awards Committee

#### **Board Members:**

Anita Paque, Committee Chair (Calveras LAFCo, Central Region)
Daron McDaniel (Merced LAFCo, Central Region)
Jo MacKenzie (San Diego LAFCo, Southern Region)
Margie Mohler (Napa LAFCo, Coastal Region)
Josh Susman (Nevada LAFCo, Northern Region)

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#### **Regional Officer Members:**

Christine Crawford, CALAFCO Deputy Executive Officer (Central Region) Steve Lucas, CALAFCO Executive Officer (Northern Region) Martha Poyatos, CALAFCO Deputy Executive Officer (Coastal Region) Gary Thompson, CALAFCO Deputy Executive Officer (Southern Region) christine.crawford@yolocounty.org slucas@buttecounty.net mpoyatos@smcgov.org gthompson@lafco.org

#### Included as attachments:

- Achievement Awards Program Summary
- 2021 Achievement Award nomination form
- Achievement Award categories, nomination and selection criteria
- Listing of prior Achievement Award recipients





# CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS SUMMARY OF PROGRAM CHANGES AS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON APRIL 30, 2021

#### **Purpose of the changes**

There are several goals to updating the CALAFCO Achievement Awards program.

First, nomination criteria did not exist for any award. By adding specific nomination criteria to each award, it will be easier for those considering submittal of a nomination to have clear standards that must be met in order for any nomination to be considered. Further, the criterion creates guidelines for the author of a nomination submittal.

Next, also non-existent were selection criteria. By creating selection criteria for each award, the Awards Committee has clear guidelines by which to review and consider each nomination within a given award category. Each proposed selection criteria is customized to the nomination criteria for that award category. This clear criterion also allows nominators to understand what will be considered by the Awards Committee as the nominations for a given category are considered.

We believe both of these goals create a more transparent and comprehensive Achievement Awards program for our membership.

Additionally, the updated Awards Program does several other things. First, it spotlights achievements *above and beyond* what is expected in the normal course of business. Second, it streamlines the current Award categories. Finally, it links specific achievements back to the mission and purpose of LAFCo, thereby enhancing their value and meaning.

On April 30, 2021, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the updated program. This approval was preceded by months of comprehensive review and work by the Association's Executive Director and Regional Officers, followed by a unanimous approval and recommendation to the Board by the Awards Committee.

#### Difference of the prior program to the updated program

In addition to the differences noted above, there are other notable differences:

- Prior program had eleven (11) total award categories whereas the updated program has eight (8).
- Eliminated Distinguished Service Award (already awarding longevity in Lifetime Achievement Award).
- Rolled Outstanding LAFCo Clerk into Outstanding LAFCo Professional and expanded to all LAFCo personnel. With the new criteria, each LAFCo personnel role shall be treated equally.
- Changed Outstanding CALAFCO Member to Outstanding CALAFCO Volunteer, thereby excluding "staff person" and expanding scope to all who volunteer for the Association, not just Board or staff.
- Added nomination criteria to Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member.
- Combined the following four awards into one (with two distinct categories): Most Effective Commission, Project of the Year, Government Leadership Award and Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award. These are now the Mike Gotch Excellence in Public Service Award.

 Criteria for this new award was taken from all four eliminated awards and tied directly to several aspects of the mission of LAFCo through the creation of the two distinct award subcategories.

# Adopted changes to the membership and voting of the Achievement Awards Committee

There are two other changes directly affecting the Awards Committee. One relates to the membership structure of the Awards Committee and the other is to the voting.

First, the four Regional Officers are full voting members of the Committee. These Officers enhance the perspective of the Board Committee Members through their technical expertise and "on the ground" experiences. By adding them as voting members (they were previously "advisors" to the Committee), the full voting membership is nine (9).

And finally, it is now a policy of the Committee that any voting member abstain from voting on any category in which a nomination has been submitted by/for their LAFCo or a member (staff or commissioner) of their LAFCo. With bringing the voting membership to nine, this abstention should not pose a problem in terms of not having a quorum of votes cast.



# **2021 Achievement Award Nominations Due by Friday, August 13, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

### **Achievement Award Nomination Form**

**NOMINEE - Person or Agency Being Nominated** 

Name:
Organization:
Address:
Phone:
E-mail:
NOMINATION CATEGORY (check one – see category criteria on attached sheet)  Outstanding CALAFCO Volunteer  Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member  Outstanding Commissioner  Outstanding LAFCo Professional  Mike Gotch Excellence in Public Service (choose one category below)  Protection of agricultural and open space lands and prevention of sprawl  Innovation, collaboration, outreach and effective support of the evolution and viability of local agencies, promotion of efficient and effective delivery of municipal services  Legislator of the Year (must be approved by the full CALAFCO Board)
Lifetime Achievement Award
NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:
Name:
Organization:
Address:
Phone:
E-mail:



# **2021 Achievement Award Nominations Due by Friday, August 13, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In <u>no more than</u> 250 words, summarize why this recipient is the most deserving of this award.



# **2021 Achievement Award Nominations Due by Friday, August 13, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

#### **NOMINATION SUMMARY**

Please indicate the reasons why this person or agency deserves to be recognized (this section must be no more than 1,000 words or 2 pages maximum).



#### CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD CATEGORIES, NOMINATION & SELECTION CRITERIA

CALAFCO recognizes excellence within the LAFCo community and the full membership by presenting the *Achievement Awards* at the CALAFCO Annual Conference. Nominations are being accepted until *3:00 p.m., Friday, August 13, 2021* in the following categories:

#### **Outstanding CALAFCO Volunteer**

#### **Award Summary:**

Recognizes a CALAFCO volunteer who has provided exemplary service during the past year. Exemplary service is service which clearly goes above and beyond that which is asked or expected in the charge of their responsibilities. This category may include a CALAFCO Board member, regional officer, program volunteer, or any other requested volunteer.

#### Nomination criteria:

- 1. Nominee must have volunteered for the Association during the year in which the nomination is being made.
- 2. Nominee does not have to be a CALAFCO member.
- 3. Volunteer efforts must have demonstrated the individual going above and beyond what was asked/expected with positive and effective results.
- 4. Nominee can be a CALAFCO Board member, regional officer, program volunteer or any other volunteer.

#### Selection criteria:

- 1. Must meet all nomination criteria requirements for consideration.
- 2. Equal consideration shall be given to each nominee, regardless of their position or role as a volunteer. Only the contributions and outcomes shall be considered, not the individual's position.
- 3. The extent of the volunteerism and the overall impact to the statewide Association and membership based on that volunteerism shall be considered.
- 4. Preference may be given to individuals who have not previously received this award and meet all the required criteria.

#### **Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member**

#### **Award Summary:**

Presented to an active CALAFCO Associate Member (person or agency) that has advanced or promoted the cause of LAFCos by consistently producing distinguished work that upholds the mission and goals of LAFCos and has helped elevate the role and mission of LAFCos through its work. Recipient consistently demonstrates a collaborative approach to LAFCo stakeholder engagement. Further, the individual or firm has a proven commitment to the Association membership through volunteering time and resources to further the cause of LAFCo and CALAFCO.

#### Nomination criteria:

- 1. Nominee must be a CALAFCO Associate Member in good standing with the Association.
- 2. Nominee shall be an Associate Member for the full year in which the nomination is being made.
- 3. The Associate Member nominated shall have been an Associate Member in good standing with the Association for at least one year prior to the year for which the nomination is being made.
- 4. As an Associate Member, the nominee may be an individual, firm or agency.
- 5. The nominee may be an individual within an Associate Member firm or agency.
- 6. Nominee shall demonstrate that through their work as an Associate Member, the role and mission of LAFCo has been upheld and furthered.
- 7. Nominee must have proven cooperative and collaborative approaches to situations and solutions that affect LAFCos statewide as an Associate Member.
- 8. Proven commitment to the Association's membership as an Associate Member by volunteering resources to the Association during the year in which the nomination is made.

#### Selection criteria:

- 1. Must meet all nomination criteria requirements for consideration.
- 2. Equal consideration shall be given to all nominees that meet the nominating criteria.
- 3. The level of volunteering time and resources to the Association shall be a consideration with all other nomination criteria.

#### **Outstanding Commissioner**

#### Award Summary:

Presented to an individual Commissioner for extraordinary service to his or her Commission. Extraordinary service is considered actions above and beyond those required in the course of fulfilling their statutory responsibilities as a Commissioner. It requires consistently demonstrating independent judgment on behalf of the interest of the entire county, developing innovative and collaborative solutions to local issues, and leading the commission and community by example.

#### Nomination criteria:

- 1. Nominee must be a Commissioner of a LAFCo in good standing with the Association.
- 2. Nominee shall be a Commissioner for the full year in which the nomination is being made.
- 3. Proven demonstration of consistently exercising independent judgment for the greater good of the County is required.
- 4. Proven leadership of the commission and the community through collaborative, innovative and creative solutions to local issues is required.
- 5. Proven effective results and outcomes shall be demonstrated in the nomination.

#### Selection criteria:

- 1. Must meet all nomination criteria requirements for consideration.
- 2. Equal consideration shall be given to all nominees that meet the nominating criteria.
- 3. Representation type (city-county-district-public) shall not be a consideration nor shall be the size or geographic area of the LAFCo on which the Commissioner serves.
- 4. The overall impact of the leadership of the Commissioner shall be considered.
- 5. Preference may be given to individuals who have not previously received this award and meet all the required criteria.

#### **Outstanding LAFCo Professional**

#### Award Summary:

Recognizes an Executive Officer, Staff Analyst, Clerk, Legal Counsel or any other LAFCo staff person for exemplary service during the past year. Exemplary service is considered actions which clearly go above and beyond that which is asked, expected, or required in the charge of their LAFCo responsibilities.

#### Nomination criteria:

- 1. Nominee must be a staff person of a LAFCo in good standing with the Association.
- 2. Nominee shall be a staff person for the full year in which the nomination is being made.
- 3. As a staff person, the nominee can be either an employee of the LAFCo or a contractor providing employee-type services to the LAFCo.
- 4. Efforts must be demonstrated that the individual has consistently gone above and beyond or outside the scope of their role or job responsibilities, with proven results that otherwise would not have occurred.

#### Selection criteria:

- 1. Must meet all nomination criteria requirements for consideration.
- 2. Equal consideration shall be given to all nominees that meet the nominating criteria.
- 3. Position within a LAFCo shall not be a consideration, nor shall be the size or geographic area of the LAFCo.
- 4. The overall impact of the LAFCo professional to their LAFCo and the greater community shall be considered.
- 5. Preference may be given to individuals who have not previously received this award and meet all the required criteria.

#### **Lifetime Achievement Award**

#### Award Summary:

Recognizes any individual who has made extraordinary contributions to the statewide LAFCo community in terms of longevity of service, exemplary advocacy of LAFCo-related legislation, proven leadership in approaching a particular issue or issues, and demonstrated support in developing and implementing innovative and creative ways to support the goals of LAFCos throughout California. At a minimum, the individual should be involved in the LAFCo community for at least twenty (20) years.

#### Nomination criteria:

- 1. Nomination must be received from a member LAFCo or Associate Member in good standing with the Association.
- 2. A minimum of 20 years direct involvement with the LAFCo community is required for consideration.
- 3. During that time, nominee shall have a proven positive impact and effect on the support and evolution of LAFCos statewide.
- 4. This includes advocacy of LAFCos statewide through legislation, developing creative and innovative solutions to LAFCo issues that serve beyond their LAFCo to the greater good, and collaborative stakeholder approaches to issues and opportunities to further the cause and mission of LAFCo.

#### Selection criteria:

- 1. Must meet all nomination criteria requirements for consideration.
- 2. Preference may be given to nominees who also have proven experience volunteering for CALAFCO through a regional officer role, serving on committees, serving on the CALAFCO Board, or any other method of volunteering for the Association that serves to promote and support the mission and work of LAFCos throughout the state.

#### **Legislator of the Year**

#### **Award Summary:**

Presented to a member of the California State Senate or Assembly in recognition of leadership and valued contributions in support of LAFCo goals that have a statewide effect. The recipient shall have demonstrated clear support and effort to further the cause and ability of LAFCos to fulfill their statutory mission. Selected by CALAFCO Board by super majority.

#### Nomination criteria:

- 1. Nominee shall be a California State legislator during the full year in which the nomination was made.
- 2. Nominee must have demonstrated extraordinary leadership in the Legislature on behalf of LAFCos statewide, with efforts resulting in a positive impact for all LAFCos.

#### Selection criteria:

- 1. Must meet all nomination criteria requirements for consideration.
- 2. All Legislator of the Year nominations shall be forwarded by the Achievement Awards Committee to the Board for consideration.
- 3. Selection of the recipient of this award shall be done with a super majority approval of the Board (present at the time of the vote).

#### Mike Gotch Excellence in Public Service Award

Awarded to an individual, group or agency for actions that rise above expected or common functions or actions that are LAFCo-related; *and* reduce or eliminate common institutional roadblocks; *and* result in a truly extraordinary public service outcome. Individuals, a LAFCo, or collaborative effort among multiple LAFCos or a LAFCo with other entities are eligible. Other entities shall be decision-making bodies at the local, regional or state level. This award has two distinct categories, each focusing on specific areas of the LAFCo mission.

#### Mike Gotch Excellence in Public Service Award categories:

- 1. Protection of agricultural and open space lands and prevention of sprawl
- 2. Innovation, collaboration, outreach and effective support of the evolution and viability of local agencies, promotion of efficient and effective delivery of municipal services

#### Mike Gotch Excellence in Public Service Award categories:

#### Protection of agricultural and open space lands and prevention of sprawl

Includes the development and implementation of programs or other actions associated with agriculture, water, flood control, parks and recreation, habitat conservation plans and public lands. Demonstrates the recipient has identified, encouraged and ensured the preservation of agricultural and open space lands. Proven actions that encourage cities, counties and special districts to direct development away from all types of agricultural lands, including prime agricultural lands and open space lands. Includes demonstrated consideration given in decisions to Regional Transportation Plans, including sustainable communities strategies and other growth plans to ensure reliable services, orderly growth, and sustainable communities.

# Innovation, collaboration, outreach and effective support of the evolution and viability of local agencies, promotion of efficient and effective delivery of municipal services

Includes the development and implementation of innovate support and systems within internal LAFCo operations in the support of local agencies. Actions produce systemic and sustainable improvements and innovation of local government. Proven facilitation of constructive discussions with local and regional agencies and proactive outreach to local and regional agencies as well as local stakeholders and communities to identify issues and solutions and demonstrated action as a coordinating agency in offering and supporting unique local solutions to meet local challenges. Successful demonstration of development of capacities and abilities of local agencies. Provide tools and resources to local agencies to address aging infrastructure, fiscal challenges and the maintenance of existing services. Demonstrated action to streamline the provision of local services with proven results that services are consistent or have been improved as a result, with little to no increased cost to the consumer. Focused efforts and proven results to ensure delivery of services to all communities, especially disadvantaged communities.

#### Nomination criteria:

- 1. Clear demonstration that the actions rise above expected or common functions or actions.
- 2. The actions reduced or eliminated common institutional roadblocks.
- 3. The actions clearly proven a truly extraordinary public service outcome that is systemic and sustainable.
- 4. Identified unique circumstances and factors leading to the solution/project.
- 5. The innovative steps taken by the LAFCo or entity/entities/individual to solve the problem, overcome the situation, or to take action.
- 6. Clear description of the results/outcomes of the work and the short- and long-term effects.
- 7. How this work can be promoted as a LAFCo best practice.
- 8. Clear demonstration how this nomination meets all criteria.

#### Selection Criteria:

- 1. Must meet all nomination criteria requirements for consideration.
- 2. Equal consideration shall be given to each nominee within each category. The size or geographic area of the LAFCo within a given category shall not be a consideration.
- 3. The overall impact of the actions and outcomes to the greater community being served shall be considered.
- 4. The level of impact based on the required nomination criteria shall be considered.



#### PREVIOUS CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

#### 2019

Distinguished Service Award Most Effective Commission Outstanding Commissioner

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award

Legislator of the Year

Lifetime Achievement Award

Charley Wilson, Orange LAFCo

Contra Costa LAFCo

Jim DeMartini, Stanislaus LAFCo

David Church, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Orange LAFCo, for San Juan Capistrano Utilities MSR CA State Water Resources Control Board, Los Angeles County and Los Angeles LAFCo, for Sativa Water District

**Butte LAFCo** 

**Assembly Member Mike Gipson** 

John Benoit, various LAFCos, Jurg Heuberger, Imperial LAFCo

#### 2018

Distinguished Service Award Most Effective Commission Outstanding Commissioner

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member

Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award

Legislator of the Year

Lifetime Achievement Award

John Withers, Orange LAFCo

Santa Clara LAFCo

Margie Mohler, Napa LAFCo

George Williamson, Del Norte LAFCo

Elizabeth Valdez, Riverside LAFCo

Best Best & Krieger

Lake LAFCo, water services consolidation

City of Porterville, County of Tulare, Dept. of Water Resources, State Water Resources Control Board, Governor's Office of Emergency Services, Self Help Enterprises, Community Water Center for East Porterville

water supply project

Mike Ott, San Diego LAFCo

**Assembly Member Anna Caballero** 

Pat McCormick, Santa Cruz LAFCo, George Spiliotis,

Riverside LAFCo

#### 2017

Most Effective Commission
Outstanding CALAFCO Member
Outstanding Commissioner
Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member

Project of the Year

Los Angeles LAFCo

Sblend Sblendorio, Alameda LAFCo John Marchand, Alameda LAFCo Paul Novak, Los Angeles LAFCo

Richelle Beltran, Ventura LAFCo

**Policy Consulting Associates** 

County Services MSR, Butte LAFCo, and Santa Rosa

Annexation, Sonoma LAFCo

Government Leadership Award Lifetime Achievement Award San Luis Obispo County Public Works Dept.

Kathy Rollings McDonald (San Bernardino)

#### 2016

Distinguished Service Award Peter Brundage, Sacramento LAFCo

Most Effective Commission San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member John Leopold, Santa Cruz LAFCo
Outstanding Commissioner Don Tatzin, Contra Costa LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Steve Lucas, Butte LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Cheryl Carter-Benjamin, Orange LAFCo
Project of the Year

Countywide Water Study, (Marin LAFCo)

Government Leadership Award Southern Region of CALAFCO

Lifetime Achievement Award Bob Braitman (retired Executive Officer)

#### 2015

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Yuba County Water Agency Local Government Leadership Award

Distinguished Service Award Mary Jane Griego, Yuba LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Butte LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Marjorie Blom, formerly of Stanislaus LAFCo
Outstanding Commissioner Matthew Beekman, formerly of Stanislaus LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Sam Martinez, San Bernardino LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Terri Tuck, Yolo LAFCo

Project of the Year Formation of the Ventura County Waterworks District No.

38 (Ventura LAFCo) and 2015 San Diego County Health Care Services five-year sphere of influence and service

review report (San Diego LAFCo)

Government Leadership Award The Cities of Dublin, Pleasanton, Livermore and San

Ramon, the Dublin San Ramon Services District and the

Zone 7 Water Agency

CALAFCO Associate Member of the Year Michael Colantuono of Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley

Legislators of the Year Award Assembly member Chad Mayes

Lifetime Achievement Award Jim Chapman (Lassen LAFCo) and Chris Tooker (formerly of

Sacramento LAFCo)

#### 2014

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in David Church, San Luis Obispo LAFCo Local Government Leadership Award

Distinguished Service Award Kate McKenna, Monterey LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Santa Clara LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Kate McKenna, Monterey LAFCo

Calabara And Calaba

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Paige Hensley, Yuba LAFCo

Project of the Year LAFCo Procedures Guide: 50th Year Special Edition,

San Diego LAFCo

Government Leadership Award Orange County Water District, City of Anaheim, Irvine Ranch

Water District, and Yorba Linda Water District

Legislators of the Year Award Assembly member Katcho Achadjian

Lifetime Achievement Award Susan Wilson, Orange LAFCo

2013

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award

Simón Salinas, Commissioner, Monterey LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award Roseanne Chamberlain, Amador LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Stanislaus LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Harry Ehrlich, San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Commissioner Jerry Gladbach, Los Angeles LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Lou Ann Texeira, Contra Costa
LAFCo Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Kate Sibley, Contra Costa LAFCo

Project of the Year Plan for Agricultural Preservation, Stanislaus LAFCo

Government Leadership Award Orange County LAFCo Community Islands Taskforce,

Orange LAFCo

Legislators of the Year Award Senators Bill Emmerson and Richard Roth

Lifetime Achievement Award

H. Peter Faye, Yolo LAFCo; Henry Pellissier, Los Angeles

LAFCo: Corl Layoreaz, Butto LAFCo: Sugar Violdund Wilson

LAFCo; Carl Leverenz, Butte LAFCo; Susan Vicklund-Wilson,

Santa Clara LAFCo.

2012

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award

Bill Chiat, CALAFCO Executive Director

Distinguished Service Award Marty McClelland, Commissioner, Humboldt LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Sonoma LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Stephen A. Souza, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo and

**CALAFCO Board of Directors** 

Outstanding Commissioner Sherwood Darington, Monterey
LAFCo Outstanding LAFCo Professional Carole Cooper, Sonoma LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Gwenna MacDonald, Lassen LAFCo

Project of the Year Countywide Service Review & SOI Update, Santa Clara

LAFCo

Government Leadership Award North Orange County Coalition of Cities, Orange LAFCo

Lifetime Achievement Award P. Scott Browne, Legal Counsel LAFCos

2011

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Martin Tuttle, Deputy Director for Planning, Caltrans

Local Government Leadership Award Mike McKeever, Executive Director, SACOG

Distinguished Service Award Carl Leverenz, Commissioner and Chair, Butte

LAFCo Most Effective Commission San Bernardino LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Keene Simonds, Executive Officer, Napa LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Louis R. Calcagno, Monterey LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional June Savala, Deputy Executive Officer, Los Angeles LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Debbie Shubert, Ventura LAFCo

Project of the Year	Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Definitions Revision

Bob Braitman, Scott Browne, Clark Alsop, Carole Cooper,

and George Spiliotis

Government Leadership Award Contra Costa Sanitary District

Elsinore Water District and Elsinore Valley Municipal Water

**District** 

2010

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award

Helen Thompson, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

Kathleen Rollings-McDonald, Executive Officer, San

Bernardino LAFCo

Bob Braitman, Executive Officer, Santa Barbara LAFCo

Most Effective Commission

**Outstanding Commissioner** 

Tulare LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Roger Anderson, Ph.D., CALAFCO Chair, Santa Cruz LAFCo

George Lange, Ventura LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Harry Ehrlich, Government Consultant, San Diego LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Candie Fleming, Fresno LAFCo

Project of the Year Butte LAFCo

Sewer Commission - Oroville Region Municipal Service

Review

Government Leadership Award Nipomo Community Services District and the County of San

Luis Obispo

Special Achievement Chris Tooker, Sacramento LAFCo and CALAFCO Board of

Directors

2009

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award

Paul Hood, Executive Officer, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

William Zumwalt, Executive Officer, Kings LAFCo

Most Effective Commission

Susan Vicklund Wilson, CALAFCO Vice Chair

Napa LAFCo

**Outstanding CALAFCO Member** 

Jerry Gladbach, CALAFCO Treasurer

Outstanding Commissioner Larry M. Fortune, Fresno LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Pat McCormick, Santa Cruz LAFCo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Emmanuel Abello, Santa Clara LAFCo

Project of the Year

Orange LAFCo Boundary Report

Government Leadership Award

Cities of Amador City, Jackson, Ione, Plymouth & Sutter Creek; Amador County; Amador Water Agency; Pine

**Grove CSD** - Countywide MSR Project

Legislator of the Year Award Assembly Member Jim Silva

2008

Distinguished Service Award Peter M. Detwiler, Senate Local Government Committee

**Chief Consultant** 

Most Effective Commission Yuba LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Dennis Hansberger, San Bernardino LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Michael Ott, San Diego LAFCo Executive Officer

Martha Poyatos, San Mateo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Wilda Turner, Los Angeles LAFCo

Project of the Year Kings LAFCo

City and Community District MSR and SOI Update

Government Leadership Award

San Bernardino Board of Supervisors

Legislator of the Year Award

Assembly Member Anna M. Caballero

2007

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Kathy Long, Board Chair, Ventura LAFCo Distinguished Service Award William D. Smith, San Diego Legal

Counsel Most Effective Commission Santa Clara LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Gayle Uilkema, Contra Costa LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Joyce Crosthwaite, Orange LAFCo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Project of the Year

Debby Chamberlin, San Bernardino LAFCo
San Bernardino LAFCo and City of Fontana

Islands Annexation Program

Government Leadership Award City of Fontana - Islands Annexation Program

Lifetime Achievement John T. "Jack" Knox

2006

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Everett Millais, CALAFCO Executive Officer and Executive

Officer of Ventura LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award Clark Alsop, CALAFCO Legal Counsel

Most Effective Commission Award Alameda LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award Ted Grandsen, Ventura LAFCo Chris Tooker, Sacramento LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award Larry Calemine, Los Angeles LAFCo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Janice Bryson, San Diego LAFCo

Marilyn Flemmer, Sacramento LAFCo

Project of the Year Award Sacramento Municipal Utility District Sphere of Influence

Amendment and Annexation; Sacramento LAFCo

Outstanding Government Leadership Award Cities of Porterville, Tulare, and Visalia and Tulare LAFCo

Island Annexation Program

Legislator of the Year Award Senator Christine Kehoe

2005

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Peter Herzog, CALAFCO Board, Orange LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award Elizabeth Castro Kemper, Yolo LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award Ventura LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award Art Aseltine, Yuba LAFCo

Henri Pellissier, Los Angeles LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award Bruce Baracco, San Joaquin LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo

Project of the Year Award San Diego LAFCo

MSR of Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services

Outstanding Government Leadership Award Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)

2004

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Scott Harvey, CALAFCO Executive Director

Distinguished Service Award Julie Howard, Shasta LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award San Diego LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Project of the Year Award

**Edith Johnsen**, Monterey LAFCo **David Kindig**, Santa Cruz LAFCo

San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Nipomo CSD SOI Update, MSR, and EIR

2003

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Michael P. Ryan, CALAFCO Board Member
Distinguished Service Award Henri F. Pellissier, Los Angeles LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award

Bob Salazar, El Dorado LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Shirley Anderson, San Diego LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award Lori Fleck, Siskiyou LAFCo

Project of the Year Award Napa LAFCo

Comprehensive Water Service Study

Special Achievement Award James M. Roddy

2002

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Ken Lee, CALAFCO Legislative Committee Chair

Most Effective Commission Award

Commissioner Award

San Diego LAFCo Outstanding

Ed Snively, Imperial LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award Paul Hood, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Project of the Year Award

Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo

San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding Government Leadership Award Napa LAFCo, Napa County Farm Bureau, Napa Valley

Vintners Association, Napa Valley Housing Authority, Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office, Napa County Counsel Office, and Assembly Member Patricia Wiggins

2001

Outstanding CALAFCO Member SR Jones, CALAFCO Executive Officer

Distinguished Service Award David Martin, Tax Area Services Section, State Board of

Equalization

Outstanding Commissioner Award

H. Peter Faye, Yolo LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Ingrid Hansen, San Diego LAFCo

Project of the Year Award Santa Barbara LAFCo

Outstanding Government Leadership Award Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Livermore City

Council, Pleasanton City Council

Legislator of the Year Award Senator Jack O'Connell

2000

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Ron Wootton, CALAFCO Board Chair

Distinguished Service Award Ben Williams, Commission on Local Governance for the

21st Century

Most Effective Commission Award Yolo LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Rich Gordon, San Mateo LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award Annamaria Perrella, Contra Costa LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award Susan Stahmann, El Dorado LAFCo

Project of the Year Award San Diego LAFCo

Legislator of the Year Award Robert Hertzberg, Assembly Member

#### 1999

Distinguished Service Award

Most Effective Commission Award

Outstanding Executive Officer Award

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Most Creative Solution to a MultiJurisdictional Problem

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

Legislator of the Year Award

#### 1998

Outstanding CALAFCO Member
Distinguished Service Award
Most Effective Commission Award
Outstanding Executive Officer Award
Outstanding Staff Analysis

outstanding Staff Analysis

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

Marilyn Ann Flemmer-Rodgers, Sacramento LAFCo

Orange LAFCo

**Don Graff**, Alameda LAFCo **Dory Adams**, Marin LAFCo

San Diego LAFCo

Assembly Member John Longville
Assembly Member Robert Hertzberg

#### Dana Smith, Orange LAFCo

Marvin Panter, Fresno LAFCo

San Diego LAFCo

**George Spiliotis**, Riverside LAFCo **Joe Convery**, San Diego LAFCo **Joyce Crosthwaite**, Orange LAFCo

**Santa Clara County Planning Department** 

#### 1997

Most Effective Commission Award
Outstanding Executive Officer Award
Outstanding Staff Analysis
Outstanding Government Leadership Award
Most Creative Solution to a Multi-Jurisdictional Problem
Legislator of the Year Award Orange LAFCo
George Finney, Tulare LAFCo
Annamaria Perrella, Contra Costa LAFCo
South County Issues Discussion Group
Alameda LAFCo and Contra Costa LAFCo
Assembly Member Tom Torlakson





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Pamela Miller, Executive Director CALAFCO 1020 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 222 Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Nomination for 2020 and 2021 CALAFCO Achievement Award

Dear Ms. Miller and the CALAFCO Awards Committee Members:

Contra Costa LAFCo is pleased to nominate the Contra Costa Water District (CCWD) for the CALAFCO "Innovation, collaboration, outreach and effective support of the evolution and viability of local agencies, promotion of efficient and effective delivery of municipal services" award.

CCWD has demonstrated leadership, collaboration, and efficiency in delivering clean, reliable water to "disadvantaged communities" (DACs) in Contra Costa County.

In the two recent annexations (2029 and 2021) CCWD collaborated with Diablo Water District to extend water to over 400 service connections. Much of the annexation areas experience brackish water, high levels of iron, manganese, arsenic, and nickel. Also, areas that currently rely on groundwater have insufficient water for fire protection.

LAFCo staff believes CCWD should be recognized for meeting the need for clean, reliable water to DACs; for their local and State partnerships; and their commitment and success in serving DACS and over 500,000 people in central and eastern Contra Costa County.

We hope you feel their efforts are worthy of the CALAFCO award. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lou Ann Texeira, Executive Officer Contra Costa LAFCO



#### CALAFCO 2021 Achievement Award Nominations Due by Friday, August 13, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

### **Achlevement Award Nomination Form**

NOMINEE - Person or Agency Being Nominated
Name: Contra Costa Water District
Organization: Contra Costa Water District
Address: [1331 Concord Avenue - Concord, CA
Phone: 925-688-8000
E-mail: Jeff Quimby <jquimby@ccwater.com></jquimby@ccwater.com>
NOMINATION CATEGORY (check one – see category criteria on attached sheet)  Outstanding CALAFCO Volunteer  Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member  Outstanding Commissioner  Outstanding LAFCO Professional  Mike Gotch Excellence in Public Service (choose one category below)  Protection of agricultural and open space lands and prevention of sprawl  Innovation, collaboration, outreach and effective support of the evolution and viability of local agencies, promotion of efficient and effective delivery of municipal services  Legislator of the Year (must be approved by the full CALAFCO Board)  Lifetime Achievement Award
Name: Lou Ann Texeira
Organization: Contra Cos ta LAF CO
Address: 40 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553
Phone: 923-313-7133
E-mail: LouAnn.Texeira@lafco.cccounty.us

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contra Costa LAFCO is pleased to nominate Contra Costa Water District (CCWD) for its leadership in extending municipal water service to Disadvantaged Communities (DACs).

**About CCWD** – Formed in 1936, CCWD is one of the largest municipal water service providers in Contra Costa County, serving over 500,000 people. CCWD's service boundary is 220± square miles extending from highly urbanized Central County to East County which includes new development/single-family homes that have historically relied on small groundwater systems. CCWD provides *retail water* to Central County customers and *wholesale treated water* and *untreated water* to East County customers.

**Challenges** - Much of the groundwater in East County exceeds secondary drinking water standards, and in some cases, exceeds primary drinking water standards. Much of this area is a DAC. Groundwater also has limited benefits for fire protection. To expand its service area, CCWD must obtain approval from both the U.S. Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation and LAFCO.

Accomplishments – Since 1994, CCWD has extended municipal water to over 2,700 service connections through annexations in 1994, 2004, 2006, 2019 and 2021. Previous annexations and extension of water infrastructure provided opportunities for water system consolidation to support more recent annexations in 2019 (completed) and 2021 (pending).

CCWD provides high quality water to its customers and is responsive to requests for water service consolidations for small water systems and individuals. CCWD continues to evaluate annexation opportunities with a focus on DACs. CCWD has been successful in obtaining State grant funding to assist with annexations.

#### NOMINATION SUMMARY

Meeting the Need for Clean, Reliable Water to Disadvantaged Communities - Historically, much of the groundwater in East County exceeds secondary drinking water standards and, in some cases, exceeds primary drinking water standards. Some of the water in East County is brackish and some areas experience high levels of iron, manganese, arsenic, and nickel. Furthermore, all of these areas that are currently relying on groundwater have insufficient water for fire protection.

Previously, a mobile home park trucked in water for several years until Contra Costa County Environmental Health Department declared a severe public health hazard that constituted a public health emergency. CCWD stepped in and extended municipal water to this area which serves over 280 residents.

CCWD is one of the largest urban water districts in California and a leader in drinking-water treatment technology and source water protection. CCWD delivers safe, clean water to approximately 500,000 people in central and eastern Contra Costa County. CCWD's service boundary is 220± square miles Since the 1990s, CCWD has annexed over 1,100 acres and extended municipal water to 2,700 service connections within Disadvantaged Communities (DACs). The earlier annexations in Oakley and Bethel Island provided foundation infrastructure and opportunities for additional water system consolidations in East County.

Many of the projects also include to Diablo Water District (DWD). DWD encompasses 21± square miles including Oakley, downtown Knightsen, parts of Bethel Island including Delta Coves, and other unincorporated areas in East County. DWD collects, treats and supplies municipal water to over 42,000 residents. The District's primary sources of water include CVP (purchased from CCWD) and groundwater extracted from the East Contra Costa Subbasin.

**Recent Annexations**: The two most recent annexations – Santiago Island Village Mobile Home Park (2019) and Beacon West & Willow Mobile Home Park (2021 - pending) extend water to residents on Bethel Island. The entirety of Bethel Island is a DAC. Both the 2019 and 2021 projects involve annexations to CCWD and Diablo Water District (DWD).

The Santiago Island Village Mobile Home Park annexation provides municipal water to 300 residents on Bethel Island, a DAC. The annexation facilitated access to surface water from both CCWD and DWD and eliminated the use of ground water with secondary drinking water violations, as recommended by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The annexation also eliminated the need for reliance on a single groundwater well which could potentially fail, resulting in a water supply issues as well as a potential for contamination within the mobile home park. Further, the existing groundwater well exceeded the secondary maximum contaminant level for manganese.

In April 2021, CCWD submitted both sphere of influence (SOI) and annexation applications to LAFCO to extend water to the *Beacon West & Willow Mobile Home Park* also located on Bethel Island. On August 11, 2021, the LAFCO Commissioners approved expansion of the CCWD and DWD SOIs. In September, the Commission will consider the corresponding annexations. These annexations will extend water to over 540 residents in a disadvantaged community.

The extension of municipal water service to these areas is needed as the existing groundwater system, aging well, and reverse osmosis system are failing. The groundwater system that previously served *Beacon* West exceeded the primary drinking water standard for arsenic and was abandoned in 2019.

The Willow Mobile Home Park homes are connected to an aging well and reverse osmosis system that fails to meet secondary drinking water standards for manganese and specific conductance. The

mobile home park also has a fire flow deficiency as there is insufficient water storage at the site. DWD is evaluating SWRCB grant funding to fund design and construction of the water line extension.

**Partners and Process** – In an effort to provide quality water to DACs, CCWD engaged DWD, Contra Costa County, Contra Costa LAFCO, mobile home park owners, and residents.

The process for extending water to these communities is complex as it involves annexation through Contra Costa LAFCO, and approval by the United States Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) in order to receive high-quality Central Valley Project (CVP) water.

Commitment and Excellence - With each annexation, CCWD has seen increasing interest from neighboring water systems to replace groundwater supply wells with access to CCWD's surface water supply. Additionally, access to State grants helps support consolidation efforts, improve drinking water quality, minimize groundwater use. CCWD is committed to providing high quality water to its customers and is responsive to requests for water service consolidations for small water systems or individuals who need access to clean, reliable water. CCWD continues to evaluate water issues and potential for annexing new areas with a focus on DACs.

For these reasons, Contra Costa LAFCO believes CCWD should be recognized for its leadership, dedication, and efforts to provide safe, clean water to its customers, and for their ongoing commitment to serving disadvantaged communities.

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June 1, 2021

**To**: Local Agency Formation Commission

Members and Alternate Members

From: Gay Jones, Committee Chair

**CALAFCO Board Election Committee** 

**CALAFCO Board of Directors** 



Nominations are now open for the fall elections of the CALAFCO Board of Directors. Serving on the CALAFCO Board is a unique opportunity to work with other commissioners throughout the state on legislative, fiscal and operational issues that affect us all. The Board meets four to five times each year at alternate sites around the state. Any LAFCo commissioner or alternate commissioner is eligible to run for a Board seat.

CALAFCO's Election Committee is accepting nominations for the following seats on the CALAFCO Board of Directors:

Central Region	Southern Region	Northern Region	Coastal Region
City Member	County Member	County Member	City Member
Public Member	District Member	District Member	Public Member

The election will be conducted during Regional Caucuses at the CALAFCO Annual Conference prior to the Annual Membership Meeting on Thursday, October 7, 2021 at the Hyatt Regency in Newport Beach at the John Wayne Airport, CA.

Please inform your Commission that the CALAFCO Election Committee is accepting nominations for the above-cited seats until *Tuesday*, *September 7*, *2021 at 5:00 p.m.* 

Incumbents are eligible to run for another term. Nominations received by September 7 will be included in the Election Committee's Report and will be on the ballot. The Report will be distributed to LAFCo members no later than September 23, 2021 and ballots made available to Voting Delegates at the Annual Conference. Nominations received after this date will be returned; however, nominations will be permitted from the floor during the Regional Caucuses or during at-large elections, if required, at the Annual Membership Meeting.

For those member LAFCos who cannot send a representative to the Annual Meeting an electronic ballot will be made available <u>if requested in advance</u>. The ballot request must be made no later than Tuesday, September 7, 2021. Completed absentee ballots must be returned by 8:00 a.m., Monday, October 4, 2021.

Should your Commission nominate a candidate, the Chair of your Commission must complete the attached Nomination Form and the Candidate's Resume Form or provide the specified information in another format other than a resume. Commissions may also include a letter of recommendation or resolution in support of their nominee.

The nomination forms and materials must be received by the CALAFCO Executive Director no later than Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Here is a summary of the deadlines for this year's nomination process:

- June 1 Nomination Announcement and packet sent to LAFCo membership and posted on the CALAFCO website.
- September 7 Completed Nomination packet due
- September 7 Request for an absentee/electronic ballot due
- September 7 Voting delegate name due to CALAFCO
- **September 23** Distribution of the Election Committee Report (includes all completed/submitted nomination papers)
- September 23 Distribution of requested absentee/electronic ballots.
- October 4 Absentee ballots due to CALAFCO
- October 7 Elections

Returning the nomination form prior to the deadline ensures your nominee is placed on the ballot. Names will be listed in the order nominations were received should there be multiple candidates. Electronic filing of nomination forms and materials is encouraged to facilitate the recruitment process. Please send e-mails with forms and materials to <a href="mailto:info@calafco.org">info@calafco.org</a>. Alternatively, nomination forms and materials can be mailed to the address below. Please forward nominations to:

CALAFCO Election Committee c/o Executive Director California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions 1020 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 222 Sacramento, California 95814 EMAIL: info@calafco.org

Questions about the election process can be sent to the Chair of the Committee, Gay Jones, at gjones@calafco.org or by calling her at 916-208-0736. You may also contact CALAFCO Executive Director Pamela Miller at pmiller@calafco.org or by calling 916-442-6536.

Members of the 2021/2022 CALAFCO Election Committee are:

Gay Jones, Chair Sacramento LAFCo (Central Region)

gjones@calafco.org 916-208-0736

Blake Inscore Del Norte LAFCo (Northern Region)

binscore@calafco.org 707-951-0517

Chris Lopez Monterey LAFCo (Coastal Region)

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David West Imperial LAFCo (Southern Region)

dwest@calafco.org 760-352-3411

Attached please find a copy of the CALAFCO Board of Directors Nomination and Election Procedures as well as the current listing of Board Members and corresponding terms of office.

Please consider joining us!

**Enclosures** 



#### Board of Directors Nomination and Election Procedures and Forms

The procedures for nominations and election of the CALAFCO Board of Directors [Board] are designed to assure full, fair and open consideration of all candidates, provide confidential balloting for contested positions and avoid excessive demands on the time of those participating in the CALAFCO Annual Conference.

The Board nomination and election procedures shall be:

#### 1. APPOINTMENT OF AN ELECTION COMMITTEE:

- a. Following the Annual Membership Meeting the Board shall appoint an Election Committee of four members of the Board. The Election Committee shall consist of one member from each region whose term is not ending.<sup>8</sup>
- b. The Board shall appoint one of the members of the Election Committee to serve as Chairman. The CALAFCO Executive Officer shall appoint a CALAFCO staff member to serve as staff for the Election Committee in cooperation with the CALAFCO Executive Director. 8
- Each region shall designate a regional representative to serve as staff liaison to the Election Committee.<sup>8</sup>
- d. Goals of the Committee are to provide oversight of the elections process and to encourage and solicit candidates by region who represent member LAFCos across the spectrum of geography, size, and urban suburban and rural population if there is an open seat for which no nominations papers have been received close to the deadline. 8

#### 2. ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL MEMBER LAFCOS:

- a. No later than three months prior to the Annual Membership Meeting, the Election Committee Chair shall send an announcement to each LAFCo for distribution to each commissioner and alternate. The announcement shall include the following: 8
  - i. A statement clearly indicating which offices are subject to the election.
  - ii. A regional map including LAFCos listed by region.
  - iii. The dates by which all nominations must be received by the Election Committee. The deadline shall be no later than 30 days prior to the opening of the Annual Conference. Nominations received after the closing date shall be returned to the proposing LAFCo marked "Received too late for Elections Committee action." 8
  - iv. The names of the Election Committee members with the Committee Chairman's LAFCo address and phone number, and the names and contact information for each of the regional representatives.<sup>8</sup>
  - v. The address to send the nominations forms.
  - vi. A form for a Commission to use to nominate a candidate and a candidate resume form of no more than one page each to be completed for each nominee.
- b. No later than four months before the annual membership meeting, the Election Committee Chairman shall send an announcement to the Executive Director for distribution to each member LAFCo and for publication in the newsletter and on the web site. The

### **Key Timeframes for Nominations Process**

Days\*

90 Nomination announcement

30 Nomination deadline

14 Committee report released
\*Days prior to annual membership meeting

announcement shall include the following: 8

- i. A statement clearly indicating which offices are subject to the election.
- ii. The specific date by which all nominations must be received by the Election Committee. Nominations received after the closing dates shall be returned to the proposing LAFCo marked "Received too late for Election Committee action." 8
- iii. The names of the Election Committee members with the Committee Chair's LAFCo address and phone number, and the names and contact information for each of the regional representatives. 8
- iv. Requirement that nominated individual must be a commissioner or alternate commissioner from a member in good standing within the region.
- c. A copy of these procedures shall be posted on the web site.

#### 3. THE ELECTION COMMITTEE:

- a. The Election Committee and the regional representatives have the responsibility to monitor nominations and help assure that there are adequate nominations from each region for each seat up for election. No later than two weeks prior to the Annual Conference, the Election Committee Chair shall distribute to the members the Committee Report organized by regions, including copies of all nominations and resumes, which are received prior to the end of the nomination period.<sup>8</sup>
- b. At the close of the nominations the Election Committee shall prepare regional ballots. Each region will receive a ballot specific to that region. Each region shall conduct a caucus at the Annual Conference for the purpose of electing their designated seats. Caucus elections must be held prior to the annual membership meeting at the conference. The Executive Director or assigned staff along with a member of the Election Committee shall tally ballots at each caucus and provide the Election Committee the names of the elected Board members and any open seats. In the event of a tie, the staff and Election Committee member shall immediately conduct a run-off ballot of the tied candidates. 8
- c. Make available sufficient copies of the Committee Report for each Voting Delegate by the beginning of the Annual Conference.
- d. Make available blank copies of the nomination forms and resume forms to accommodate nominations from the floor at either the caucuses or the annual meeting (if an at-large election is required).
- e. Advise the Executive Director to provide "CANDIDATE" ribbons to all candidates attending the Annual Conference. 8
- f. Post the candidate statements/resumes organized by region on a bulletin board near the registration desk.
- g. Regional elections shall be conducted as described in Section 4 below. The representative from the Election Committee shall serve as the Presiding Officer for the purpose of the caucus election. 8
- h. Following the regional elections, in the event that there are open seats for any offices subject to the election, the Election Committee Chair shall notify the Chair of the Board of Directors that an at-large election will be required at the annual membership meeting and to provide a list of the number and category of seats requiring an at-large election.<sup>8</sup>

### 4. ELECTRONIC BALLOT FOR LAFCO IN GOOD STANDING NOT ATTENDING ANNUAL MEETING<sup>6</sup> Limited to the elections of the Board of Directors

- a. Any LAFCo in good standing shall have the option to request an electronic ballot if there will be no representative attending the annual meeting.
- b. LAFCos requesting an electronic ballot shall do so in writing no later than 30 days prior to the annual meeting.
- c. The Executive Director shall distribute the electronic ballot no later than two weeks prior to the annual meeting.
- d. LAFCo must return the ballot electronically to the executive director no later than three days prior to the annual meeting.
- e. LAFCos voting under this provision may discard their electronic ballot if a representative is able to attend the annual meeting.
- f. LAFCos voting under this provision may only vote for the candidates nominated by the Election Committee and may not vote in any run-off elections. 8

### 5. AT THE TIME FOR ELECTIONS DURING THE REGIONAL CAUCUSES OR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

- a. The Election Committee Chairman, another member of the Election Committee or the Chair's designee (hereafter called the Presiding Officer) shall: 8
  - i. Review the election procedure with the membership.
  - ii. Present the Election Committee Report (previously distributed).
  - iii. Call for nominations from the floor by category for those seats subject to this election:
    - 1. For city member.
    - 2. For county member.
    - 3. For public member.
    - 4. For special district member.
- b. To make a nomination from the floor, a LAFCo, which is in good standing, shall identify itself and then name the category of vacancy and individual being nominated. The nominator may make a presentation not to exceed two minutes in support of the nomination.
- c. When there are no further nominations for a category, the Presiding Officer shall close the nominations for that category.
- d. The Presiding Officer shall conduct a "Candidates Forum". Each candidate shall be given time to make a brief statement for their candidacy.
- e. The Presiding Officer shall then conduct the election:
  - i. For categories where there are the same number of candidates as vacancies, the Presiding Officer shall:

- 1. Name the nominees and offices for which they are nominated.
- 2. Call for a voice vote on all nominees and thereafter declare those unopposed candidates duly elected.
- ii. For categories where there are more candidates than vacancies, the Presiding Officer shall:
  - 1. Poll the LAFCos in good standing by written ballot.
  - 2. Each LAFCo in good standing may cast its vote for as many nominees as there are vacancies to be filled. The vote shall be recorded on a tally sheet.
  - 3. Any ballots submitted electronically for candidates included in the Election Committee Report shall be added to the tally.8
  - 4. With assistance from CALAFCO staff, tally the votes cast and announce the results.
- iii. Election to the Board shall occur as follows:
  - 1. The nominee receiving the majority<sup>6</sup> of votes cast is elected.
  - 2. In the case of no majority, the two nominees receiving the two highest number of votes cast shall face each other in a run-off election. Electronic ballots are not included in the tally for any run-off election(s).<sup>6</sup>
  - 3. In case of tie votes6:
    - a. A second run-off election shall be held with the same two nominees.
    - b. If there remains a tie after the second run-off, the winner shall be determined by a draw of lots.
  - 4. In the case of two vacancies, any candidate receiving a majority of votes cast is elected. <sup>6</sup>
    - a. In the case of no majority for either vacancy, the three nominees receiving the three highest number of votes cast shall face each other in a run-off election.
    - b. In the case of no majority for one vacancy, the two nominees receiving the second and third highest number of votes cast shall face each other in a runoff election.
    - c. In the event of a tie, a second run-off election shall be held with the tied nominees. If there remains a tie after the second run-off election the winner shall be determined by a draw of lots.

#### 6. ADDITIONAL PROCEDURES

- a. For categories where there are more candidates than vacancies, names will be listed in the order nominated.
- b. The Election Committee Chair shall announce and introduce all Board Members elected at the Regional Caucuses at the annual business meeting. 8
- c. In the event that Board seats remain unfilled after a Regional Caucus, an election will be held immediately at the annual business meeting to fill the position at-large. Nominations will be taken from the floor and the election process will follow the procedures described in Section 4 above. Any commissioner or alternate from a member LAFCo may be nominated

- for at-large seats.
- d. Seats elected at-large become subject to regional election at the expiration of the term. Only representatives from the region may be nominated for the seat.
- e. As required by the Bylaws, the members of the Board shall meet as soon as possible after election of new board members for the purpose of electing officers, determining meeting places and times for the coming year, and conducting any other necessary business.

#### 7. LOSS OF ELECTION IN HOME LAFCO

Board Members and candidates who lose elections in their home office shall notify the Executive Director within 15 days of the certification of the election.

#### 8. FILLING BOARD VACANCIES

Vacancies on the Board of Directors may be filled by appointment by the Board for the balance of the unexpired term. Appointees must be from the same category as the vacancy, and should be from the same region.

#### **CALAFCO Regions** FOUR REGIONS



The counties in each of the four regions consist of the following:

#### **Northern Region**

Butte Colusa Del Norte Glenn Humboldt Lake Lassen Mendocino Modoc Nevada **Plumas** Shasta Sierra Siskiyou Sutter Tehama Trinity Yuba

#### **CONTACT**: Steve Lucas

**Butte LAFCo** 

slucas@buttecounty.net

#### **Southern Region**

Orange Los Angeles Imperial Riverside San Bernardino San Diego

#### **CONTACT**: Gary Thompson

Riverside LAFCo gthompson@lafco.org

#### **Coastal Region**

Alameda
Contra Costa
Marin
Monterey
Napa
San Benito
San Francisco
San Luis Obispo
San Mateo
Santa Barbara
Santa Clara
Santa Cruz
Solano
Sonoma
Ventura

#### **CONTACT**: Martha Poyatos

San Mateo LAFCo mpoyatos@smcgov.org

#### **Central Region**

**Alpine** 

Amador Calaveras El Dorado Fresno Inyo Kern Kings Madera Mariposa Merced Mono Placer Sacramento San Joaquin Stanislaus Tulare Tuolumne Yolo

**CONTACT**: Christine Crawford, Yolo LAFCo christine.crawford@yolocounty.org

CALAFCO Board Members 2020-21 (as of June 1, 2021)				
Board Member Name	LAFCo - Region	<b>Type</b> (Term Expires)		
Bill Connelly - Secretary	Butte - <i>Northern</i>	County (2021)		
David Couch	Humboldt - <i>Northern</i>	District (2021)		
Blake Inscore	Del Norte - Northern	City (2022)		
Gay Jones	Sacramento - Central	District (2022)		
Michael Kelley – <b>Chair</b>	Imperial - <i>Southern</i>	County (2021)		
Christopher Lopez	Monterey – Coastal	County (2022)		
Daron McDaniel	Merced – <i>Central</i>	County (2022)		
Michael McGill – Immediate Past Chair	Contra Costa - Coastal	District (2022)		
Jo MacKenzie	San Diego - <i>Southern</i>	District (2021)		
Margie Mohler - Treasurer	Napa - Coastal	City (2021)		
Tom Murray	San Luis Obispo - <i>Coastal</i>	Public (2021)		
Anita Paque – <b>Vice Chair</b>	Calaveras - Central	Public (2021)		
Daniel Parra	Fresno - <i>Central</i>	City (2021)		
Josh Susman	Nevada - <i>Northern</i>	Public (2022)		
Acquanetta Warren	San Bernardino – Southern	City (2022)		
David West	Imperial - Southern	Public (2022)		



# Board of Directors **2021/2022 Nominations Form**

#### **Nomination to the CALAFCO Board of Directors**

In accordance with th	e Nomination	s and Election P	rocedures of CALAFCO,	
		_LAFCo of the _		Region
Nominates				
for the (check one)	☐ City	☐ County	☐ Special District	☐ Public
Position on the CALAF	CO Board of I	Directors to be fi	lled by election at the ne	ext Annual
Membership Meeting	of the Associa	ation.		
		_		LAFCo Chair
				Date

#### NOTICE OF DEADLINE

Nominations must be received by **September 7, 2021** at 5:00 p.m. to be considered by the Election Committee. Send completed nominations to: CALAFCO Election Committee CALAFCO

1020 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 222 Sacramento, CA 95814

Or email to: info@calafco.org

	Date Received
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# Board of Directors **2021/2022 Candidate Resume Form**

(Complete both pages)

Nominated By:		LAFCo Date	:		
Region (please check	one): 🗖 Northern	☐ Coastal ☐ Central	□ Southern		
Category (please chec	k one): 🔲 City 🔲 0	County	☐ Public		
Candidate Name					
Address					
Phone	Office	Mobile			
e-mail					
Personal and Profession	onal Background:				
LAFCo Experience:					
CALAFCO or State-leve	al Evnerience:				
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<u>Availabili</u>	<u>ty:</u>		

Other Related Activities and Comments:

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