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**AGENDA**  
**SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2008, 9:30 A.M.**  
**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER**  
**ROOM 402A**  
**1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY**  
**SAN DIEGO, CA 92101**

**Agenda Item:**

**Recommended  
Action:**

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| 1. Roll Call                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                          |
| 2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting held March 28, 2008                                                                                                                                                               | Approve                  |
| 3. Consultant's Recommended Agenda Revisions                                                                                                                                                                        | Receive                  |
| 4. Committee Member / Consultant's Announcements                                                                                                                                                                    | Information              |
| 5. Public Comment<br>Opportunity for persons to speak to the Committee on any subject within the Committee's jurisdiction, but not an item on today's agenda. Each speaker's presentation may not exceed 3 minutes. |                          |
| 6. Project Report: Consolidation of the East County and San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection Districts – Shirley Anderson                                                                                        | Discussion               |
| 7. Project Report: Water Supply and Service Role of LAFCO – Harry Ehrlich                                                                                                                                           | Discussion/<br>Direction |
| 8. Review of Pending Legislation Tracking Report of Legislation Affecting LAFCO – Harry Ehrlich                                                                                                                     | Receive/<br>Discussion   |
| 9. Adjournment to the June 20, 2008 Meeting Date*                                                                                                                                                                   |                          |

\*The June 20, 2008 meeting will only be scheduled on an "as needed" basis.

Refreshments will be provided at the meeting.

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION  
SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MARCH 28, 2008 MEETING**

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**DRAFT MINUTES**

There being a quorum present, the meeting was convened at 9:30 a.m., by Chairwoman Jo Mackenzie (Vista ID). Attending were: **Committee Members** – James Alkire (South Bay Irrigation District), Gary Croucher (Otay Water District), Judy Hanson (Leucadia WD), Larry Jackman (San Miguel Consolidated FPD), Richard Olson (North County FPD, who arrived at 9:37am), John Pastore (Rancho Santa Fe CSD), Vice Chairman Tom Pocklington (Bonita-Sunnyside FPD), Jim Poltl (Vallecitos WD), Augie Scalzitti (Padre Dam MWD), Dennis Shepard (North County CD), Kimberly Thorner (Olivenhain MWD), and Diana Towne (Rincon del Diablo MWD). **LAFCO Staff** – LAFCO Consultant Harry Ehrlich; and Chief, Governmental Services, Ingrid Hansen. Absent were: **Committee Members** – Gary Arant (Valley Center MWD), Ron Fuller (Alpine FPD), and Keith Lewinger (Fallbrook PUD).

**Item 1**

**Approval of Minutes of December 21, 2007**

With Gary Croucher, Jim Poltl, and Diana Towne abstaining, ON MOTION OF Augie Scalzitti, seconded by Larry Jackman, and carried unanimously by the remaining committee members present, the committee dispensed with reading the minutes of the December 21, 2007 meeting, and approved said minutes.

**Item 2**

**Consultant's Recommended Agenda Revisions**

Harry Ehrlich indicated that there were no revisions to the agenda.

**Item 3**

**Committee Member/Consultant's Announcements**

In regards to the legislative update in the agenda, Harry Ehrlich said that there was a revision to one of the bills (AB 2484). He said the revised bill was e-mailed to committee members prior to the meeting.

Mr. Ehrlich announced that a LAFCO report (Role of Local Agency Formation Commission in Water Service/Delivery Issues) was to be mailed to the committee. He reported that at the March 3, 2008 LAFCO meeting, the Commission requested that LAFCO staff provide them with information pertaining to LAFCO role in water service/delivery issues. Mr. Ehrlich indicated that the Advisory Committee may be involved with providing input to LAFCO regarding water issues.

Harry Ehrlich reported that the annual LAFCO cost allocation apportionment notification would be sent to special districts sometime in April 2008.

Gary Croucher left at 11:10am.

**Item 9**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Special Districts Advisory Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m. to the tentatively scheduled meeting on April 18, 2008, if it is to be held.

**Tita Mandapat  
Administrative Assistant**



**Chairman**

Andrew L. Vanderlaan  
Public Member

May 16, 2008

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**Vice Chairman**

Bill Horn  
County Board of  
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TO: Special Districts Advisory Committee

FROM: Chief, Policy Research

**Members**

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City of San Diego

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SUBJECT: Consolidation of the East County and the San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection Districts

*Description of Proposed Consolidation*

The Boards of Directors for the East County and San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection Districts (FPD) have submitted unanimous resolutions requesting consolidation of both agencies into a successor district that would be known as the San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection District. Consolidation is proposed to ensure and enhance the on-going provision of structural fire protection and emergency medical services within a southwesterly sub-region of unincorporated San Diego County. The consolidated district would abut the cities of El Cajon, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, and San Diego and provide a critical component of first-responder service within the urban/wildland interface.

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The consolidated agency would: (1) produce savings by eliminating duplicate functions and staffing; (2) establish centralized administration of sub-regional resources; (3) develop a broader and deeper emergency workforce; (4) expand community education and preparedness programs; (5) implement universal training and development of emergency services personnel; (6) engage in strategic sub-regional planning for fire protection and EMS (7) reduce risk and liability by improving sub-regional medical oversight; and (8) create efficiencies within facility and fleet maintenance programs.

Assets and liabilities of the current FPDs would transfer to the consolidated district. The consolidated FPD will be authorized to levy and collect all previously-approved special assessments; terms and conditions of consolidation would restrict expenditure of voter-approved tax revenue to areas where currently collected. All stations within both former agencies would remain operational and fully staffed. Employees of the current districts would become employees of the consolidated agency with seniority and compensation provisions established under current MOUs and agreements with representative employee groups, which specifically address the proposed consolidation.

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**Counsel**

William D. Smith

Consolidation was initiated by unanimous resolutions of the subject agencies; accordingly, State Law requires LAFCO to approve or conditionally approve the proposal. Consolidation could occur without an election if less than 25 percent of voters or landowners file objections at the protest hearing that would be held subsequent to LAFCO approval. The East County and San Miguel Boards of Directors have resolved that current East County Directors will resign and the seven Directors of the San Miguel FPD Board will serve out their current terms of office as the initial Board of Directors for the consolidated agency. Voters within the consolidated district will select subsequent, at-large directors; the terms of four current San Miguel Directors will expire in December 2008.

### *Description of Subject Agencies*

The San Miguel Consolidated FPD emerged from a 1988 consolidation of the Grossmont-Mt Helix and Spring Valley FPDs. The District covers approximately 40 square miles and has approximately 109,000 residents. The East County FPD was similarly created by a 1994 consolidation of the Bostonia and Crest FPDs. The District includes approximately .45 mile within the geographically discrete services areas of Bostonia and Crest (see attached map) and a population of approximately 14,000 residents.

The Bostonia service area is included within the City of El Cajon's sphere-of-influence. The City is opposing the consolidation as proposed and recommends that LAFCO eliminate the Bostonia area from the consolidation. The City hypothesizes that, because the current San Miguel FPD has no contiguous border with the Bostonia area, responses to Bostonia from the San Miguel FPD would come through the City of El Cajon. Moreover, the City suggests that services to the Bostonia area could be provided more efficiently via a City service contract. Presumably, it is envisioned that the East County FPD would be retained in the Bostonia area to allow a City-District contract to be executed.

The East County FPD was included in the May 2007 LAFCO conditional approval of the Reorganization of Structural Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services in Unincorporated San Diego County—Phase I. The Phase I Reorganization would need to be amended to remove the East County FPD prior to the Commission considering the consolidation of the San Miguel Consolidation and the East County FPD. A sphere of influence would be adopted for the newly consolidated San Miguel FPD that would reflect the current spheres of the East County and San Miguel FPDs. Therefore, it is

**RECOMMENDED:** That your Committee

Provide comments on the proposed consolidation and discuss an appropriate role for the City of El Cajon in providing fire protection services to the Bostonia service area.



SHIRLEY ANDERSON  
Chief, Policy Research

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### **Attachments:**

Map of Proposed Consolidation  
April 17, 2008 Letter from City of El Cajon





## CITY OF EL CAJON

CITY MANAGER

April 17, 2008

Michael Ott  
Executive Officer  
Local Agency Formation Commission  
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 452  
San Diego, CA 92101

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**SAN DIEGO LAFCO**


Dear Mr. Ott:

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the proposed consolidation of the East County and San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection Districts. It is a mystery as to how these two distinct areas of Bostonia and Crest were ever combined into a single Fire Protection District in the first place, as they clearly have no contiguous borders and are two very different geographical areas. The fact that they are a single jurisdiction; however, should not preclude reasonable examination of a further consolidation.

The City of El Cajon opposes the consolidation based on the facts that the Bostonia area of the District is surrounded by the City of El Cajon and the City's fire resources. It is also within the City's Sphere of Influence as approved by LAFCO. It has no contiguous border with San Miguel and any response from San Miguel would have to come through the City of El Cajon. Regarding the Crest portion of the ECFP District, it is certainly contiguous to the San Miguel FPD and makes sense to consolidate.

The City is proposing that the two areas be treated separately and that should San Miguel wish to consolidate with Crest that they be allowed to do so. The Bostonia area; however, should be served by the closest resources with the least response time. The City of El Cajon is prepared to make a proposal for contract service and has, in fact, discussed this with the Board of the East County Fire Protection District. Please see the report from the Fire Chief for more information.

Sincerely,

  
Kathi J. Henry  
City Manager

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c: Mayor and City Council



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Bill Horn  
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TO: Special Districts Advisory Committee

**Members**

Donna Frye  
Councilmember  
City of San Diego

FROM: Local Agency Formation Commission Consultant

SUBJECT: Report on LAFCO Role in Water Supply and Delivery Policy

Dianne Jacob  
County Board of  
Supervisors

As you are aware, the Commission requested that LAFCO staff present a policy discussion paper in April 2008 on the role of LAFCO in developing and implementing water supply and delivery in San Diego County. An information report was prepared and presented to the Commission on April 7, 2008. A copy of the report is attached for reference and discussion. The Commission received the report and requested staff to seek input from the Special Districts Advisory Committee and involved stakeholders prior to further LAFCO review.

Andrew J. Menshek  
Padre Dam  
Municipal Water District

Carl Hilliard  
Councilmember  
City of Del Mar

Bud Pocklington  
South Bay Irrigation District

At your May 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, staff and your special districts consultant will be presenting the issue for discussion and development of areas of policy review for future analysis and possible action. You will also be presented input from several agency representatives from the San Diego County Water Authority, San Diego Regional Water Quality Control board, possibly the San Diego Farm Bureau and other affected organization groups. It is anticipated that at least one meeting will be held to discuss possible issues, requests for information and development of action items for review and presentation back to the Commission, possibly in August or September 2008.

Betty Rexford  
Councilmember  
City of Poway

**Alternate Members**

Mark Lewis  
Mayor  
City of El Cajon

Therefore, it is

Greg Cox  
County Board of  
Supervisors

**RECOMMENDED:** That your Committee

John S. Ingalls  
Santa Fe  
Irrigation District

Harry Mathis  
Public Member

Receive a PowerPoint presentation on the Role of LAFCO in Water Policy, and discuss the report and provide discussion/direction, as necessary, on the April 2008 Water Policy Report.

Brian Maienschein  
Councilmember  
City of San Diego

**Executive Officer**

Michael D. Ott

  
HARRY EHRLICH  
LAFCO Consultant

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Attachment - April 07, 2008 Report on Water Policy Role of LAFCO



**San Diego LAFCO  
Discussion Summary: April 7, 2008 Meeting  
Role of LAFCO: Water Supply and Delivery**

At the April 7, 2008 LAFCO meeting, the Commission discussed the current regional conditions of drought, water supply curtailment, conservation practices, and financial impacts affecting all local agencies and water users. Commissioners expressed interest in further exploring the role that LAFCO may have in water supply and delivery issues. After considerable discussion, the Commission encouraged LAFCO staff to refer the matter to the Special Districts Advisory Committee for review and recommendation. The Commission believes the advisory committee's primary focus should be on four categories of possible LAFCO involvement: (1) Adequacy of LAFCO policies in dealing with water supply and delivery, preservation of agricultural and open space lands, etc.; (2) Need for expanding LAFCO's legislative program to include support and advocacy on water issues pertinent to LAFCO's statutory mission; (3) Update and integration of new LAFCO policies and procedures pertaining to LAFCO's jurisdictional (regulatory) review; and (4) Maximizing the use of outreach efforts to coordinate and collaborate with other stakeholders. The following elaborates on each of the four categories of LAFCO involvement.

Policy

1. Review current LAFCO policies on agricultural and open space preservation; annexations and spheres, Regional Water Quality Control Board, etc.
2. Determine whether a water policy proposal should be developed and presented to the full commission for review.
  - a. Identify subject areas that should be included in the proposal.
  - b. Schedule the policy proposal for consideration by the full commission in a workshop environment. Invite stakeholder representatives to participate at the workshop.

Legislation

1. Evaluate the need for adding water supply and delivery issues to the Commission's Legislative Program.
  - a. Evaluate whether an increased emphasis should be placed on legislative issues pertaining to water supply, reliability, recycled water, groundwater, agricultural preservation, and energy.
  - b. Consider policy guidelines to promote increased efforts in the above areas, especially in water re-use.

## Regulatory

1. Propose updates to LAFCO jurisdictional review procedures to address water supply and delivery issues.

## Outreach

1. Establish a stakeholders group to channel input on the update and development of water policies and procedures (Special Districts Advisory Committee, Ad-hoc Cities Advisory Committee, San Diego County Water Authority, Water Quality Control Board, etc.
2. Use the Special Districts Advisory Committee to promote input, and develop concepts prior to reporting back to the Commission.

## AREAS OF ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE DISCUSSION INCLUDE:

- A. San Diego County Water Authority and Metropolitan Water District programs to increase water supply reliability.
- B. Applicability of County Water Authority and Metropolitan Water District Interruptible Agriculture Water Program and impact on agricultural land preservation.
- C. Efforts that could be taken to protect agricultural lands from being taken out of production.
- D. Identify barriers in regulatory policies that constrain use and re-use of water, including recycled water, groundwater recharges, greywater, and desalination.
- E. Evaluate policy areas to improve water reliability and re-use including facilities distribution, customer incentives and pricing for all sectors, including efforts to preserve agricultural uses.
- F. Evaluate opportunities to promote watershed management and live stream discharge.
- G. Review regulatory changes and other changes to increase local water supplies (participation of federal and state agencies and grant funding).

**SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MAY 16, 2008**

**AGENDA ITEM 8**

**REVIEW OF PENDING LEGISLATION TRACKING REPORT OF  
LEGISLATION AFFECTING LAFCO**

**CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORT  
SENT TO THE COMMISSION ON 5/5/08**

## Chairman

Andrew L. Vanderlaan  
Public Member

May 5, 2008

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## Vice Chairman

Bill Horn  
County Board of  
Supervisors

TO: Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM: Executive Officer  
Director, Legislative Research

## Members

Donna Frye  
Councilmember  
City of San Diego

SUBJECT: May 2008 Legislative Report

Dianne Jacob  
County Board of  
Supervisors

This is the monthly Legislative Report for May 2008. As discussed at the April meeting, LAFCO staff identified and reviewed a number of bills that have been added to our legislative tracking system. An updated bill summary matrix on bills being tracked is provided for commission review, discussion, and possible action. LAFCO staff will be prepared to give an update on each of the bills at the May 2008 meeting.

Andrew J. Menshek  
Padre Dam  
Municipal Water District

Carl Hilliard  
Councilmember  
City of Del Mar

At the April meeting, the Commission authorized positions on four bills. Support positions were adopted for SB 1191 (Alquist), SB 1458 (Senate Local Government Committee), AB 1998 (Silva), and AB 2484 (Caballero). Letters of support were sent on these bills. CALAFCO is also supporting these bills. LAFCO staff recommended "Watch" on seven additional bills to allow time for input from stakeholders and for probable amendments. These bills included three by Senator Kehoe addressing fire protection and fuel management policy in wildland areas. Since last month, one bill (SB 1617) has been acted upon and is being considered by the Senate Appropriation Committee. It includes a dwelling unit fee for State Responsibility Areas (SRA).

Bud Pocklington  
South Bay Irrigation District

Betty Rexford  
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City of Poway

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City of El Cajon

After the discussion of LAFCO's role with water issues at the last meeting, LAFCO staff has begun monitoring legislation on water supply and reliability. One bill (SB 1391 – Padilla) that addresses the use of recycled water for groundwater recharge, is now being tracked. It is sponsored by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and supported by many local water agencies including City of San Diego. LAFCO staff recommends a "Support" position on the bill.

Greg Cox  
County Board of  
Supervisors

An updated bill matrix is provided for your information. It is therefore,

John S. Ingalls  
Santa Fe  
Irrigation District

**RECOMMENDED:** That your Commission

Harry Mathis  
Public Member

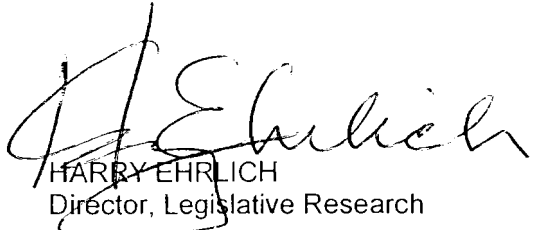
Receive, discuss, and provide direction, as necessary, on the May 2008 Legislative Report.

Brian Maienschein  
Councilmember  
City of San Diego

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Director, Legislative Research

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Attachments

*2008 San Diego LAFCO Legislative Update*  
*May 16, 2008*

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<b><i>Bill and Position</i></b>	<b><i>Summary</i></b>	<b><i>Status</i></b>
<b>SB 301 (Romero) Local Governments Finance</b>  <b>CALAFCo Position:</b> Support  <b>ADOPTED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> WATCH	The Vehicle License Fee (VLF) Law establishes revenues to counties and cities. This bill will extend the deadline for revised fees and for new cities if formed by 2014.	Introduced 2/15/07.  In Assembly. Held for assignment.
<b>SB 375 (Steinberg)</b>  <b>CALAFCo Position:</b> Watch-Seek Amendements  <b>ADOPTED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> OPPOSE unless Amended	This Bill would authorize regional transportation planning agencies (SANDAG) to enact plans and identify areas of preferred housing densities to reduce vehicle congestion. By allowing this with no review by LAFCO, services and development may be required in areas not approved in spheres of influence (SOI). CALAFCo is working to propose revisions to add LAFCO to the proposed process.	Introduced 2/21/07.  At Assembly Committee on Appropriations. No activity on amendments yet.
<b>SB 1131 (Cox) Calaveras County LAFCO</b>  <b>CALAFCo Position:</b> Oppose  <b>ADOPTED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> OPPOSE; Letter Sent	This Bill would add a special district member to the LAFCO and designate that one be appointed by the Calaveras County Water District, a county-wide agency. The bill would also add a second public member to be appointed jointly by the Board of Supervisors and City of Angels. This bill changes the representation on LAFCO, a policy issue generally opposed by CALAFCo.	Introduced 1/28/08.  In Senate Local Government Committee; delayed at request of author.
<b>SB 1191 (Alquist) CSD Authority to Provide Broadband Access</b>  <b>CALAFCo Position:</b> Support  <b>RECOMMENDED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> SUPPORT; Letter Sent	This bill would authorize a community services district to acquire, own, improve, maintain, and operate broadband facilities and to provide broadband services, until a private person or entity is ready, to provide broadband services, and to sell those services at a comparable cost. The CSD recent rewrite did not include this authority.	Introduced 2/12/08  Passed Assembly Local Government Committee; hearing set for 4/02/08 and on Senate Consent Calendar 4/17/08.

<p><b>SB 1458 (Committee on Local Government) County Service Area Rewrite</b></p> <p><b>CALAFCO Position:</b> Support</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> SUPPORT; Letter Sent</p>	<p>The County Service Area Law authorizes the formation of county service areas to provide authorized services, as specified. This bill would revise and recast the County Service Area Law and make conforming changes.</p>	<p>Introduced 2/21/08.</p> <p>Passed Senate Local Government Committee &amp; Full Senate.</p> <p>Now in Assembly.</p>
<p><b>SB 1595 (Kehoe) Public Resources – Fire Protection &amp; Fuels Management</b></p> <p><b>CALAFCO Position:</b> None</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> SUPPORT</p>	<p>This bill would add to the criteria under which CALFIRE designates an area as a very high fire hazard severity zone. The bill would also define various terms for purposes of these provisions and revise legislative findings and declarations concerning fire risks and site fuel management setbacks.</p>	<p>Introduced 2/22/08.</p> <p>This is part of a series of Bills by author; Passed hearing in Senate Natural Resources &amp; Water Committee March 25, 2008.</p> <p>Scheduled for Senate Appropriations Committee 4/21/08.</p>
<p><b>SB 1617 (Kehoe) Fire Protection &amp; Management</b></p> <p><b>CALAFCO Position:</b> None</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> WATCH</p>	<p>Existing law requires the state to have the primary financial responsibility for preventing and suppressing fires in areas that CALFIRE has determined are state responsibility areas. This bill would place a fee (no fee amount proposed as yet) when the building permit is issued and a fee annually on property owners with residential structures within the state responsibility areas. The property owner fee would be reduced if a property owner complies with specified fire prevention requirements. Because the moneys generated from the fee would fund, among other things, fuels management on public lands, year-round fire inspections of compliance with state law, and public education on fire prevention and emergency response, the bill would impose a tax.</p>	<p>Introduced 2/22/08.</p> <p>Passed in Senate Natural Resources &amp; Water Committee on March 25, 2008. Revenue &amp; Tax Committee 4/09/08. Referred to Senate Appropriations Committee for 4/21/08.</p>
<p><b>AB 1992 (DeVore) Public Resources: Unauthorized Use</b></p> <p><b>CALAFCO Position:</b> Watch</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> WATCH</p>	<p>(1) Existing law makes it unlawful for any elected state or local officer, appointee, employee, or consultant to use, or permit others to use, state resources for a campaign activity, or personal or other purposes that are not authorized by law. Existing law also provides that the incidental and minimal use of state resources is not unlawful.</p> <p>This bill would expand these provisions to prohibit any elected official, officer, director, appointee, employee, agent, or consultant of any state or local agency, or any organization or association that represents local agencies that is funded, in whole or in part, by dues or other voluntary payments made by local agencies from using, or</p>	<p>Introduced 2/14/08.</p> <p>In Elections &amp; Redistricting Committee. Failed passage 3/25/08, but granted reconsideration.</p>

	<p>permitting others to use, state resources for a campaign activity, or personal or other purposes that are not authorized by law.</p> <p>(2) Existing law provides that each officer of the state, or of any county, city, town, or district of this state, and every other person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, or disbursement of public moneys who takes certain actions concerning those moneys is guilty of a felony.</p> <p><u><b>This bill would expand these provisions to include a willful misuse of public resources for a campaign activity by an elected official, officer, director, appointee, employee, agent, or consultant of any state or local agency, or any organization or association that represents local agencies that is funded, in whole or in part, by dues or other voluntary payments made by local agencies, to use, or permit others to use, public resources for a campaign activity, or personal or other purposes that are not authorized.</b></u></p> <p><u>This bill would include LAFCO commissioners and staff, CALAFCO, and other local government associations. CALAFCO is Watching the bill, San Diego LAFCO staff will recommend a Watch position until discussions can be held with the author on possible amendments.</u></p>	
<p><b>AB 1998 (Silva) Political Reform Act of 1974: Local Agency Formation Commissions</b></p> <p><b>CALAFCO Position:</b> Support</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <p><b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> SUPPORT</p>	<p>The LAFCO for each county reviews and approves or disapproves proposed local government changes of organization; and, under specified circumstances, the determinations of the LAFCO are subject to voter approval through the circulation of a signature petition and a subsequent ballot measure. Existing law further provides, through the Political Reform Act of 1974, for the comprehensive regulation of campaign financing, including the filing of campaign statements that report contributions and expenditures by committees formed to support or oppose ballot measures.</p> <p>This bill would impose on a committee formed to support or oppose a LAFCO proposal, as defined, requirements regarding the filing of campaign statements. The bill would require the committee to file monthly campaign statements from the time circulation of a petition begins until a measure is placed on the ballot or the</p>	<p>Introduced 2/14/08.</p> <p>Passed Local Government &amp; Elections Committee 4/02/08.</p> <p>In Assembly for consideration.</p>

	committee is terminated. After a LAFCO proposal measure is placed on the ballot, the bill would require a committee formed to support or oppose the proposal to file those campaign statements required of other committees formed to support or oppose ballot measures under the Political Reform Act of 1974.	
<b>AB 2278 (Aghazarian) Amend Revenue &amp; Tax Code Regarding FPD Negotiationg Property Tax Shifts</b>  <b>CALAFCO Position:</b> None at this Time  <b>RECOMMENDED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> Seek Commission Input for Position	This bill would authorize a fire protection district, as specified, to negotiate any exchange of property tax revenues on its own behalf when a jurisdictional change occurs that affects its service area or service responsibility. Author considering amendments due to concern on language of "negotiation" not having arbitration clause.	<p>Introduced 2/21/08.</p> <p>Assigned to Assembly Local Government Committee; awaiting hearing date.</p>
<b>AB 2367 (Fuentes) LAFCO Change of Prezoning Timeframe</b>  <b>CALAFCO Position:</b> None at this Time  <b>RECOMMENDED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> WATCH	This bill would prohibit subsequent changes to the general plan for an annexed territory or zoning that is not in conformance to the prezoning designations for a period of 5 years (from 2 years) after the completion of the annexation to a city. This is a Los Angeles LAFCO sponsored bill.	<p>Introduced 2/21/08.</p> <p>In Assembly Local Government Committee; awaiting hearing date.</p>
<b>AB 2484 (Caballero) Local Government: Special Districts</b>  <b>CALAFCO Position:</b> Support  <b>RECOMMENDED</b> <b>San Diego LAFCO Position:</b> SUPPORT; Letter Sent	<p>(1) Existing law, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 defines "change of organization" to mean, among other things, a district formation, a consolidation of cities or special districts, or a merger or establishment of a subsidiary district.</p> <p>This bill would include within the definition of "change of organization" a proposal for the exercise of new or different functions or classes of services, or the divestiture of the power to provide particular functions or classes of services, within all or part of the jurisdictional boundaries of a special district. The bill would also make various conforming changes.</p> <p>(2) Existing law authorizes a proposal for a change of organization or a reorganization to be made by the adoption of a resolution of application by the legislative body of an affected local agency.</p>	<p>Introduced 2/21/08.</p> <p>Assigned to Local Government Committee; scheduled hearing date of 4/30/08.</p>



	<p>This bill would require a change of organization proposal that involves the exercise of new or different functions or classes of services, or the divestiture of the power to provide particular functions or classes of services, within all or part of the jurisdictional boundaries of a special district <b><u>to be initiated only by the legislative body of that special district (emphasis added by staff).</u></b></p> <p>(3) Existing law requires, in addition to the proposal for a change of organization or reorganization, that the legislative body of a special district submit a plan for services, including, among other things, a plan for financing the establishment of the new or different function or class of services within the special district's jurisdictional boundaries.</p> <p>This bill would also require the legislative body of a special district to include in the plan a written summary of whether the new or different function or class of services, or divestiture of the power to provide particular functions or classes of services within all or part of the jurisdictional boundaries of a special district, will involve the activation or divestiture of the power to provide a particular service or services, service function or functions, or class of service or services.</p>	
<p><b>AB 2499 (Smyth): Incorporation or Annexation Impacts</b></p> <p><b>CALAFCO Position: Watch</b></p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <p><b>San Diego LAFCO Position</b></p> <p><b>WATCH</b></p>	<p>Existing law, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, governs the procedures for the formation, change of organization, and reorganization of cities and special districts. That act also provides, unless otherwise determined by the local agency formation commission, that territory shall not be incorporated into, or annexed to, a city, if, as a result of that incorporation or annexation, unincorporated territory is completely surrounded by that city or by territory of that city, on one or more sides and the Pacific Ocean on the remaining sides.</p> <p>This bill would delete "completely" from this prohibition and thereby provide that, unless otherwise determined by the commission, territory shall not be incorporated into, or annexed to a city if, as a result of that incorporation or annexation, unincorporated territory is surrounded by that city or by</p>	<p>Introduced 2/21/08.</p> <p>Assigned to Local Government Committee; awaiting hearing date.</p>

	<p>territory of that city on one or more sides and the Pacific Ocean on the remaining sides.</p> <p><u>This bill appears to be a "Spot Bill" and CALAFCO is Watching the bill until more research can be done to determine impacts of the proposed bill. San Diego LAFCO staff will recommend a Watch position on the bill.</u></p>	
<p><b>SCA 19 (Kehoe) Property Tax Exclusion for Fire Safety Measures, Constitution Amendment</b></p> <p><b>CALAFCO Position: NONE</b></p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <p><b>San Diego LAFCO Position: WATCH</b></p>	<p>The California Constitution authorizes the Legislature to exclude from classification as "newly constructed" the construction or installation of any fire sprinkler system, other fire extinguishing system, fire detection system, or fire-related egress improvements, as defined by the Legislature. This measure would authorize the Legislature to additionally exclude from classification as "newly constructed" the construction or installation of any fire safety retrofitting improvement that meets fire safety building standards, as defined by the Legislature. This exclusion would lower assessed valuation of dwellings and revenues to agencies.</p>	<p>Introduced 2/21/08.</p> <p>Set for Hearing in Senate Revenue &amp; Taxation Committee on April 9, 2008; hearing postponed.</p>
<p><b>SB 1391 (Padilla) Water: Water Conservation Policy</b></p> <p><b>CALAFCO Position: NOT TRACKING</b></p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED</b></p> <p><b>San Diego LAFCO Position: SUPPORT</b></p>	<p>This bill (as amended) adds Section 13263.4(a) to the Water Code. The State Water Resources Control Board shall develop a plan, as soon as feasible, to assist California in reaching the water reuse goal articulated pursuant to Section 13577 of the Water Code consistent with state and federal water quality laws. Sponsored by MWD of Southern California and supported by ACWA, CASA, and City of San Diego.</p>	<p>Passed Senate Environmental Committee 4/14/08. Referred to Senate Appropriations Committee.</p>