



# San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission

Regional Service Planning | Subdivision of the State of California

## SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Friday, September 15, 2023  
9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

Room Opens at 9:00 A.M.

County of San Diego Administration Center  
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402  
San Diego, California 92101

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**The Special Districts Advisory Committee is responsible for helping to inform the Commission on all germane items relating to San Diego LAFCO's regulatory and planning responsibilities affecting special districts.**

The Committee will hold the September 15, 2023 meeting in person at the County of San Diego Administration Center (1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402, in San Diego). Three-hour visitor parking is available using the Ash Street entrance. In person attendance by the public is welcomed. The public may also watch, listen, and otherwise participate in the meeting remotely by any of the following options.

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  - a) The public may provide eComments on any item by emailing to [lafco@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:lafco@sdcounty.ca.gov)
    - eComments received before 8:00 A.M. on Friday, September 15, 2023, will be forwarded to the Committee and posted online before the meeting. They will also be referenced during the meeting.
    - eComments received during the meeting and before the subject item is concluded will be referenced and later posted online.

**1. 9:30 A.M. – CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR**

- a) Roll Call
- b) Pledge Of Allegiance

**2. AGENDA REVIEW**

**3. OPEN EXPRESSION**

This time is reserved for any member of the public to address the Committee on germane topics that are not directly part of the agenda. This includes requests for future Committee topics. Individuals are limited to three minutes.

**4. CONSENT ITEMS**

**a) Approval of Meeting Minutes for March 17, 2023 (action)**

The Committee will consider draft summary minutes prepared for the last meeting held on March 17, 2023. Staff recommends approval as presented.

**b) Update on Adopted Workplan for FY2024 (information)**

The Committee will receive an update on LAFCO's adopted workplan for 2023-2024 and status of the 30 calendared projects. Information only.

**c) Current Proposals and Related Items (information)**

The Committee will receive a report identifying current proposals on file with LAFCO and pending submittals anticipated in the near-term. Information only.

**5. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**a) SALC 1.0 Review: Agricultural Trends and Related Policy Opportunities (discussion)**

The Committee will receive a final report tied to LAFCO's two-year \$250,000 planning grant from the State of California and its Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) program. The final report and its recommendations – will be presented by co-applicant Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County. Discussion and feedback.

Contact: Michaela Peters, Analyst I  
Joel Kramer, RCD of Greater San Diego County

Estimate: 20 Minutes

**b) SALC 2.0 Preview Greening Agriculture: Market Analysis to Inform and Support Economically Sustainable Small Farming in San Diego County (discussion)**

The Committee will receive a preview of LAFCO's new two-year \$500,000 planning grant from the State of California and its Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) program. Work was initiated in July 2023 and involves performing market analysis for existing and emerging crops – with focus on small-farms – while also identifying government opportunities to help bridge economic gaps. Discussion and feedback.

Contact: Michaela Peters, Analyst I

Estimate: 10 Minutes

## **BUSINESS ITEMS CONTINUED...**

### **c) Draft Policy Establishment on Out-of-Agency Services (discussion and possible action)**

The Committee will continue its review of a draft policy to govern outside service requests for cities and special districts under Government Code Section 56133. The draft policy has been prepared as part of LAFCO's adopted workplan and responds to growing attention towards out-of-agency services and related local controversies. The draft has been further refined based on Committee input provided at the December 2022 meeting. The item is being presented for discussion and possible action with respect to making recommendations.

Contact: Carolanne Ieromnimon, Analyst II

Estimate: 30 Minutes

### **d) LAFCO Performance Measurements: Financial Standing (discussion)**

The Committee will receive a presentation on existing performance measurements employed by LAFCO in assessing financial standing of local agencies as part of the municipal service review program. The presentation is part of a planned outreach process with its advisory bodies to discuss and solicit feedback – including suggested changes – on meaningful service measurements utilized by LAFCO in making informed decisions in the municipal service reviews and related planning and regulatory activities. Discussion only. No staff report.

Contact: Priscilla Mumpower, Assistant Executive Officer

Estimate: 30 Minutes

### **e) Update on Fallbrook-Rainbow Reorganizations (discussion)**

The Committee will receive an update on the status of the coordinated reorganization proposals filed by Fallbrook Public Utility District and Rainbow Municipal Water District to detach from the County Water Authority and annex to Eastern Municipal Water District. The update follows the Committee's advisory review of the proposals in March 2023 and subsequent actions by the Commission in July 2023. Discussion only. No staff report.

Contact: Priscilla Mumpower, Assistant Executive Officer

Adam Wilson, LAFCO Consultant

Estimate: 15 Minutes

## **6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

## **7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT**

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Attest to Posting:

Erica Sellen  
Committee Secretary

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