

**MEMORANDUM
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION**

TO: Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM: Stephen Lucas, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item 4.3 - 2017 CALAFCO Board of Directors and Award Nominations**

DATE: July 20, 2017 for the meeting of August 3, 2017

SUMMARY

The California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO) is soliciting nominations for 1) individual LAFCO commissioners to serve on the CALAFCO Board of Directors and 2) 2016 Achievement Awards.

Board of Directors Nominations

The CALAFCO Board consists of 16 directors equally represented by the four regions (North, Southern, Central and Coastal). Each region elects four members, one from each category of representation (public, county, city, special district). These elections are held at the CALAFCO Annual conference each year in the fall (October). Directors serve staggered two year terms. Butte LAFCo is the 18 county Northern Region and currently has one member on the CALAFCO Board (*Connelly-County*) whose term ends this year (2017). Commissioner Connelly has been a significant presence on the Board in advocating for the north region and rural issues in general. He recently secured an author for critical legislation (AB464) that was signed by the Governor.

This two year election cycle for the Northern Region is for the County and Special District Board members. The deadline to submit nominations is **September 25, 2017**. Commissioner Connelly remains interested in serving on CALAFCO and requests Commission support.

ACTION REQUESTED: Consider nominations for either county or special district member positions on the CALAFCO Board of Directors.

2016 CALAFCO Achievement Awards

Each fall at the CALAFCO Annual Conference, the CALAFCO Board selects the winners of the annual Achievement Awards in 12 categories as described in **Attachment 1**. Butte LAFCo has in years past been selected for the following awards:

- 2016 - Outstanding LAFCO Professional - Stephen Lucas
- 2015 - Most Effective Commission - Butte
- 2014 - Outstanding CALAFCO Member - Stephen Lucas
- 2013 - Lifetime Achievement Award - Carl Leverenz
- 2012 - Lifetime Achievement Award - Scott Browne
- 2011 - Distinguished Service Award - Carl Leverenz
- 2010 - Project of the Year - MSR Wastewater Service Providers Oroville Region

This year the Executive Officer recommends the Commission nominate Deputy Executive Officer Stephen Betts for "**Outstanding LAFCO Professional**" and the County Service Area Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Plan for "**Project of the Year**". Mr. Betts has consistently demonstrated his professionalism and skill in preparing numerous MSR/SOI Plans, annexation reports and numerous other projects and has become one of the top practitioners in the state. His work in preparing the County Service Area Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Plan was one of his most intensive efforts, it is for these reasons that Mr. Betts and the County Service Area Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Plan are recommended for awards.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discuss and consider nominations for 2017 CALAFCO Awards

Attachments: 1. CALAFCO Achievement Awards Categories



2016 Achievement Award Nominations

CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD CATEGORIES

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 *Wednesday, August 31, 2016*, in the following categories:

Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Recognizes a CALAFCO Board Member or staff person who has provided exemplary service during the past year.
Distinguished Service Award	Given to a member of the LAFCo community to recognize long-term service by an individual.
Most Effective Commission	Presented to an individual Commission to recognize innovation, streamlining, and/or initiative in implementing LAFCo programs; may also be presented to multiple Commissions for joint efforts.
Outstanding Commissioner	Presented to an individual Commissioner for extraordinary service to his or her Commission.
Outstanding LAFCo Professional	Recognizes an Executive Officer, Staff Analyst, or Legal Counsel for exemplary service during the past year.
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk	Recognizes a LAFCo Clerk for exemplary service during the past year.
Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member	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 roles and mission of LAFCos through its work. Recipient consistently demonstrates a collaborative approach to LAFCo stakeholder engagement.
Project of the Year	Recognition for a project-specific program that involved complex staff analysis, community involvement, or an outstanding solution.
Government Leadership Award	Presented to a decision-making body at the city, county, special district, regional or state level which has furthered good government efforts in California.
Legislator of the Year	Presented to a member of the California State Senate or Assembly in recognition of leadership and valued contributions in support of LAFCo goals. Selected by CALAFCO Board.
Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award	Presented to an individual who has taken extraordinary steps to improve and innovate local government. This award is named for Mike Gotch: former Assembly Member, LAFCo Executive Officer and CALAFCO Executive Director responsible for much of the foundations of LAFCo law and CALAFCO. He is remembered as a source of great inspiration for staff and legislators from throughout the state.
Lifetime Achievement Award	Recognizes any individual who has made extraordinary contributions to the LAFCo community in terms of longevity of service, exemplary advocacy of LAFCo-related legislation, proven leadership in approaching a particular issue or issues, and/or demonstrated support in innovative and creative ways of the goals of LAFCos throughout California. At a minimum, the individual should be involved in the LAFCo community for at least ten years.