

The Power of
PARTNERSHIPS

CALAFCO 2012 Conference

Dear LAFCo Executives:

We look forward to see you and your commissioners at the 2012 CALAFCO Annual Conference in Monterey this October. As you can see from the attached materials, the Program Committee has organized an outstanding educational and networking event!

We would appreciate your help in electronically distributing this information to your commissioners and local agency staff and elected officials in your county who would be interested in attending. An electronic version of the attached packet is available on the CALAFCO website to download and distribute to all interested. We are using an electronic distribution method to be 'green' and reduce costs.

On the CALAFCO web site (www.calafco.org) you will find links for all of the following:

-  Conference Registration Package and Program (attached)
-  Electronic conference registration form
-  On-line registration by credit card
-  On-line hotel reservations for the Hyatt Regency Monterey
-  Information on sponsorships

Please note the August 31st deadline for the discounted early bird registration rate. Hotel rates go up after September 1st.

Thank you for your help spreading the word. See you in Monterey!



Bill Chlat
CALAFCO Executive Director



LAFCO of Monterey County

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SUBJECT: Invitation to 2012 Annual CALAFCO Conference

Dear CALAFCO Member Agencies,

The Local Agency Formation Commission of Monterey County is pleased to host CALAFCO's 2012 Annual Conference at the Hyatt Regency Monterey between Wednesday, October 3 and Friday, October 5. We hope all member agencies will join us on the beautiful Monterey Peninsula for three days to discuss new and emerging trends and issues affecting LAFCOs' planning and regulatory duties. This year's theme is titled "*The Power of Partnerships*," and reflects LAFCOs' role in fostering innovative public and private partnerships to address significant challenges and opportunities. The Planning Committee has organized an outstanding and diverse educational program for commissioners, staff and counsel, including a keynote opening address by California Food and Agriculture Secretary Karen Ross.

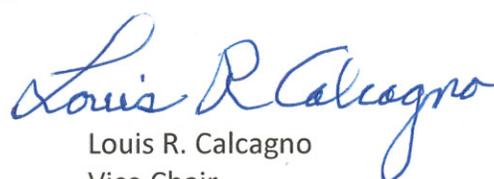
Plan to enhance your visit by enjoying some of the Monterey Peninsula's legendary amenities. Consider joining fellow attendees for a pre-conference golf tournament at the Pebble Beach Company's championship Del Monte Golf Course on the afternoon of Tuesday, October 2. Or join us that Tuesday afternoon for a fun bicycle ride along the Monterey Bay coastal recreation trail. Bring your own bike or we'll help you to rent one for this free guided waterfront tour!

Also consider registering for a mobile workshop on the morning of Wednesday, October 3. Learn about the people, partnerships and technological advancements that support the 4 billion dollar a year agricultural industry of Monterey County. You'll tour a national award-winning waste-to-energy facility, a reclaimed water supply project, and a groundwater replenishment project, and meet with major growers in their fields and processing facilities.

Enclosed are registration and informational materials for the 2012 Annual CALAFCO Conference. Please contact Monterey LAFCO Executive Officer Kate McKenna at (831)754-5838 or mckennak@monterey.lafco.ca.gov. We look forward to seeing you!



Bruce Delgado
Chair



Louis R. Calcagno
Vice Chair



Your invitation to attend the **2012 CALAFCO Annual Conference**



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PARTNERSHIPS
CALAFCO 2012 Conference

October 3-5, 2012
Monterey, California

Hosted by the
*Local Agency Formation Commission
of Monterey County*

Come to the only educational conference focused on the role and responsibilities of local agency formation commissions, highlighting:

- 👉 Current hot issues
- 👉 Innovations in LAFCo polices and activities
- 👉 LAFCo best practices
- 👉 Strategic planning
- 👉 New legislation

Plus opportunity to network with commissioners and staff from around the state.

Featured Speakers

Karen Ross

California Secretary
of Food and Agriculture

Sylvia M. Panetta

Director, the Panetta
Institute for Public Policy

Mark Nechodom

Director, California
Department of Conservation

At the beautiful **Hyatt
Regency Monterey.**

Reserve your rooms early for
the CALAFCO discount rate,
and enjoy NO resort fee!



*Save \$55! Early bird registration discounts
for members available until August 31st*

Read on



Powerful Educational Sessions

The *Power of Partnerships* frames the sessions at the conference. LAFCos increasingly play a critical role in bringing community stakeholders together to preserve agricultural and open spaces, assure efficient service delivery and achieve orderly and sustainable growth. The sessions reflect the many facets of LAFCo partnerships.

Wednesday, October 3rd

Opening Session – 1:30 p.m.

Partnerships with LAFCo: Preserving California’s Agriculture

Featuring Secretary of Food and Agriculture Karen Ross



Secretary
Karen Ross

Breakout Sessions – 3:45 p.m.

Roundtable Discussions – Examination of current LAFCo issues and trends

✎ Commissioners and staff by Region

Thursday, October 4th

Regional Caucuses and General Session—8:00 a.m.

CALAFCO Annual Business Meeting and Board Elections

Breakout Sessions—10:30 a.m.

- * **LAFCo’s Role in Shared Services: A “How To” Approach**
How and why LAFCos are championing shared services in their counties, adding value to the agencies they serve. Yolo and Orange LAFCo case studies.
- * **Sustaining Agriculture and the Regional Economy**
Examine the current policy debates, strategies and studies in agriculture and the economy in California, and the role LAFCo plays.
- * **Providing Municipal Services Outside Agency Boundaries**
Engage in a lively discussion on proposed legislation to provide LAFCo with more authority to authorize services outside agency boundaries.
- * **Conditioning Spheres of Influence – The New Future??**
LAFCo cannot directly control land use, but it can use its conditioning authority to manage growth and preserve ag lands. Examine a collaborative model for attaining consensus on difficult boundary issues.



Luncheon—Noon

A Global Perspective of Local Government

Featuring Sylvia M. Panetta, Director of the Panetta Institute for Public Policy



Sylvia M. Panetta

General Session – 1:30 p.m.

LAFCo’s Role in Oversight of Local Agencies

With the recent interest in Sacramento on local agency oversight, explores the original intent of Municipal Service Reviews and the Legislature’s expectation of LAFCo oversight in the next round of MSRs. With Assembly Member Richard Gordon (invited).

Breakout Sessions – 3:15 p.m.

- * **Integrating Sustainable Communities Strategy with the LAFCo Application Process**
Strategies for LAFCos to consider in evaluating sustainable communities strategies in LAFCo applications.
- * **Programs and Tools for LAFCo: Conservation, Regulation and Development on the Land, Farm and Forest**
State tools available for LAFCo, featuring Department of Conservation Director Mark Nechodom
- * **The Commissioners’ Independent Judgment Dilemma: Which Hat am I Wearing?**
The law requires commissioners to exercise their independent judgment, but reconciling this can be a difficult challenge. Discuss approaches to this dilemma.
- * **Health Care Districts and LAFCo**
Two case studies explore recent interest by LAFCo in Health Care Districts and some of the LAFCo issues unique to these agencies.



Director Mark
Nechodom

Reception and Dinner—6:30 p.m.

CALAFCO Banquet and Presentation of 2012 Achievement Awards

Friday, October 5th

General Session – 9:00 a.m.

LAFCo Strategic Thinking and Adaptive Leadership in Trying Times

In these challenging times it is more important than ever to know where you are headed and how to get there. Join us for a discussion of strategic planning and adaptive leadership as tools in moving your LAFCo forward.

General Session –11:00 a.m.

Legislative Update from Sacramento

New laws and legislation affecting LAFCo highlight the discussion, featuring Assembly Local Government Committee Chief Consultant Debbie Michel.



Special Workshops and Networking Opportunities

MOBILE WORKSHOP

The Bounty of Monterey County

Wednesday, October 3rd ♦ 7:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

This workshop features some of the key people, partnerships and technological advances that support the \$4 billion per year agricultural industry of Monterey County. The tour includes visits to gas-to-energy and waste-to-energy projects at a national award-winning regional landfill facility, and to the successful Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project, a water reclamation facility and distribution system that irrigates 12,000 acres of prime farmland. You'll also tour a groundwater replenishment "rubber dam" project on the Salinas River, and meet with major growers in their fields and processing plants that feed the world. Morning refreshments and a box lunch are included in this informative, fast-paced tour.



Advanced registration required – \$44/person

PRECONFERENCE SESSION

LAFCo 101 Workshop

Wednesday, October 3rd ♦ 10:15 a.m. – Noon

This popular workshop provides an overview of the history and purpose of Local Agency Formation Commissions with an emphasis on LAFCo law – the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act. Participants explore why LAFCo was created and examine its current authority and responsibilities. The roles of commissioners are discussed along with current changes in law and policy. Ideal for new commissioners, staff and those who interact with LAFCo ... but also a great refresher for everyone.

Advanced registration requested – Free.

OPENING NETWORKING RECEPTION

CALAFCO 6th Wine Competition and Reception

Wednesday, October 3rd ♦ 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Join us on the Spyglass Promenade for the opening reception and ever-popular CALAFCO Wine & Beer Competition. LAFCos and Associate Members are encouraged show off their county by entering their wine or beer in the contest. Everyone votes on their favorites with medals awarded to the winners. Network with fellow commissioners and staff and enjoy the best of California!



Included in Conference and Guest Registration

Come Tuesday for Special Networking Events!

TUESDAY NETWORKING

2nd Annual CALAFCO Golf Tournament

at the historic Del Monte Golf Course

Tuesday, October 2nd ♦ Tee Off – Noon

Join us for the 2nd annual tournament at the beautiful Del Monte next to the Hyatt! Opened in 1897, Del Monte is the oldest golf course in continuous operation west of the Mississippi. Designed by golf enthusiast Charles Maud, this course boasts a meandering layout that has challenged golfers for more than a century. It is one of three courses



on which the Pebble Beach Invitational is played. This is a four-person team "best ball" tournament, and a great way to experience one of America's best courses while networking with fellow commissioners and staff.

Registration fee includes golf, cart and awards. Open to attendees and guests.

Advanced registration required – \$120/person

TUESDAY NETWORKING

Monterey Coastal Bike Tour

Tuesday, October 2nd ♦ 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Bring your cameras, grab your bikes, and let's go! Join your colleagues on a free, guided bicycle trip along the beautiful waterfront of Monterey and Pacific Grove. We'll ride on the Monterey Bay Coastal Recreation Trail, a paved, flat path that hugs the coastline. Enjoy historic Cannery Row, Fisherman's Wharf, rocky shores, tidal pools and sandy beaches. Bring your own bike and ride for free, or we can help you to reserve a rental bike in advance (about \$9/hour). Our trip will begin and end at a bike shop on Cannery Row. The travel distance is short and our pace will be relaxed, with plenty of scenery and wildlife stops. Pre-registration is required. **Please register directly** with Monterey LAFCo Executive Officer Kate McKenna at (831)754-5838 or mckennak@monterey.lafco.ca.gov.

See all Monterey has to offer!

Visit the Monterey Convention and Visitors Bureau for everything from restaurants to things to do ... all in one spot.

www.seemonterey.com



Conference Registration and All the Details

Conference Registration

Registration includes: all conference sessions and materials; the opening reception on Wednesday; breakfast, lunch and dinner on Thursday; and breakfast on Friday. Dinner on Wednesday is on your own. *LAFCo and associate members who register by August 31st save \$55 off the full registration rate.* One-day registration is available and includes the meals for that day. Registration may be made by check or credit card. Visit www.calafco.org for registration forms and on-line credit card registration (service charges apply). Cancellation and refund information is on the registration form.



Guest Registration

Guests are welcome at meals and receptions but must purchase a meal package. An "All Meal" and a "Reception and Banquet only" package are available. Price is based on CALAFCO cost. *Please note:* Meals purchased with a conference registration are not transferable to guests.

Lodging

The Hyatt Regency Monterey is the location of the Conference. CALAFCO has a special \$149/night rate for single or double occupancy. In addition, the standard Resort Services fee *is waived* for CALAFCO rooms. A limited number of rooms are also available prior to the Conference. Reservations deadline is September 2nd. Rates go up significantly after the deadline. Visit www.calafco.org for a direct link to Hyatt reservations. Free transportation is available between the hotel and the Monterey Airport.

Credits

CALAFCO offers professional credits for participation in the conference. Any accredited planner may earn AICP credit hours for participation. There is no additional cost for the credits. LAFCo counsel may earn MCLE credits for their participation. An additional \$50 registration fee is required. Only LAFCo counsel may attend the attorney sessions.



Sponsorships

Conference sponsors support the educational mission of CALAFCO. Visit www.calafco.org to download the conference sponsorship package. Thank you for your support!



Tips to Get the Most Out of the CALAFCO Conference

BEFORE

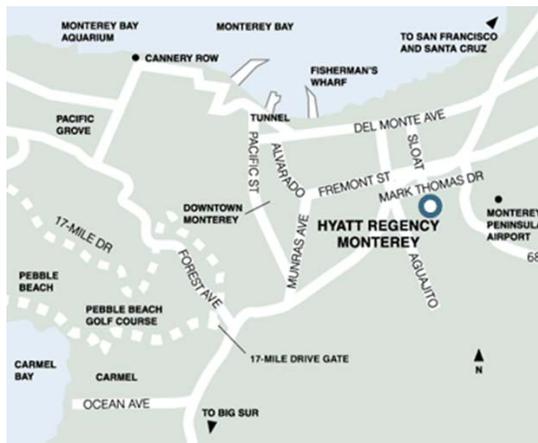
- * Review the conference program and determine which sessions, discussions and activities will directly benefit you and your LAFCo.
- * At a Commission meeting explain the return on investment for conference participation. LAFCo is a significant and complex responsibility. Training commissioners and staff to be effective leaders and decision makers is an investment that benefits the entire community.
- * Designate a representative to prepare a written or verbal summary report to the entire Commission following the conference.

DURING

- * **Question** - List specific questions you want answered during sessions. If speakers don't satisfy your needs, ask questions during or after the presentation. Take notes.
- * **Collect** material to share with commissioners who did not attend, including handouts relevant to your LAFCo.
- * **Network** - Talk with colleagues during breaks and networking events. You gain a great deal by networking with colleagues from LAFCos confronting similar challenges you face.

AFTER

- * **Share** highlights of the conference and your observations at a Commission meeting.
- * **Be available** to media inquiries and interview requests. Be prepared, informed and direct in your response.
- * **Be positive** and well-informed about the conference and its importance to LAFCo. Commissioners and staff must have access to best practices and current information to serve the community effectively.





REGISTRATION FORM

For Registration by Check
To pay with credit cards please visit www.calafco.org

LAFCo	_____
Received	_____
Check #	_____

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

	Received by August 31 st	Received after August 31 st	Fee
Member – Full Workshop	\$405	\$460	
Non-member – Full Workshop	\$500	\$500	
Guest/Spouse* – All Meals	\$190	\$190	
Guest/Spouse* – Reception/Banquet Only	\$100	\$100	
Member – One Day (___Wed or ___Thur)	\$250	\$250	
Non-Member – One Day (___Wed or ___Thur)	\$300	\$300	
Mobile Workshop – Wednesday	\$44	\$44	
Golf Tournament – Tuesday	\$120	\$120	
Attorney MCLE Credit (LAFCo counsel only)	\$50	\$50	
TOTAL REGISTRATION FEE			

Please submit one form for each person registering

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

NAME ON NAMETAG _____

LAFCo/ORGANIZATION _____ POSITION _____

GUEST NAME (For guest/spouse registration) _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

____ I will attend the pre-workshop “LAFCo 101” on Wednesday morning at 10:15 (no charge)

*Guests at meals must purchase their meal. Conference registration meals are not transferrable to guests.

Payment must accompany registration. Please make checks payable to “CALAFCO.”

Mail completed forms and payment to:

CALAFCO
1215 K Street, Suite 1650
Sacramento, CA 95814

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Contact the Hyatt Regency Monterey for room reservations. Please visit www.calafco.org for an on-line link. Rates increase after August 31st.

[Monterey Hyatt On-Line Reservations](#)



CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

1. Registrations are considered complete upon receipt of fees.
2. Cancellation requests made in writing and received by September 11th 2012 receive a 100% refund less \$20 handling fee and any transaction fees.
3. Cancellation requests made in writing and received after September 11th and up to September 20th, 2012 may carryover for a period of one year one registration credit in the amount paid, less a \$20 handling fee, to apply to a future CALAFCO event.
4. Registration fees are transferable to another person not already registered provided the request is received in writing.
5. Registration fees for guests and special events are fully refundable (minus any transaction fees) if requests are made in writing and received by September 20th, 2012 or if the special event is cancelled.
6. Cancellation requests must be made by e-mail, fax or mail to the CALAFCO office.
7. Cancellation requests made after September 20th, 2012 are not eligible for a refund or credit.



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