



LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
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SPECIAL DISTRICT NOMINATION

Special District Representative to LAFCO

Position	Nominee's Name	Originating District
ECF Board of Directors	Paul Gilman	El Dorado County Fire District

Signature of Presiding Officer: _____

Original signature required. Presiding officer is the chair/president; any other signature invalidates this ballot, unless accompanied by meeting minutes designating an alternate.

Printed Name of Presiding Officer: _____

Nominating District: _____

Minutes Attached (Optional): Yes ☐ No ☒

***Nominations must be received by LAFCO before
5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2025.***

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COMMISSIONERS

Public Member: Bill Wilde • Alternate Public Member: Vacant

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County Members: George Turnbo, Vacant • Alternate County Member: Wendy Thomas

Special District Members: Brian Veerkamp, Timothy J. White • Alternate Special District Member: Michael Saunders

STAFF

Shiva Frentzen, Executive Officer • Erica Sanchez, Assistant Executive Officer

Malathy Subramanian, Commission Counsel

Candidate Statement - Paul Gilchrest

I currently serve in several community roles: Director on the El Dorado County Fire Board, Director of the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council, Chair of the Greater Cameron Park Area Fire Safe Council, and an active member of the Sons of the American Legion, Elks, and Knights of Columbus. Additionally, while in these positions I've served Strategic Planning, Finance, Communications and Annexation Committees.

My public service journey began after graduating from CSU Chico, including over nine years on a university advisory committee. When the Camp Fire devastated Paradise, it highlighted the vulnerability of Shingle Springs and Cameron Park to catastrophic wildfires. The Arizona Republic reported that Paradise had a wildfire risk rating of 3.8 out of 5, while Shingle Springs/Cameron Park had a rating of 4.3, making it clear that action was needed.

In response, I founded a volunteer-run Fire Safe Council (FSC) for the greater Cameron Park area in early 2019. I've been honored to serve as a director on the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council for over seven years, leading efforts to reduce wildfire risks around the Pine Hill Preserve. These efforts include establishing 100-foot defensible spaces, hosting wildfire simulation events, and helping form Firewise Communities. I've worked closely with local, state, and federal leaders to advance wildfire prevention and suppression measures, I even initiated and supported legislation (SB 1420, SB 660, SB 696) aimed at strengthening our region's resilience—all without raising taxes on residents or businesses. This is a small highlight of many implemented when working on Strategic Planning, Finance, Communications and Annexation activities.

I'm running for this position because I believe I can bring a fresh perspective, combining my extensive community service and national and international experience in business and Information Technology, to local government. My goal is to implement creative, efficient, and effective solutions that move local government forward.

A vote for me is a vote for the responsible use of tax dollars and produce a safer, more resilient community.

Paul Gilchrest

Director

Representing Division 5 – Shingle Springs, Cold Springs areas and parts of Cameron Park



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Position	Nominee's Name	Originating District
Director	Michael Saunders	Georgetown Divide Public Utility District

Signature of Presiding Officer: _____

Donna M Seaman

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Printed Name of Presiding Officer: President Donna Seaman

Nominating District: Georgetown Divide Public Utility District

Minutes Attached (Optional): Yes ☐ No ☒

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-06
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
NOMINATING A REPRESENTATIVE TO
THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the El Dorado Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is a state-mandated local agency composed of seven regular Commissioners, two of whom represent independent special districts; and

WHEREAS, the LAFCO Special District Selection Committee is conducting an election of a Special District representative to serve a four-year term, beginning May 2025 and ending May 2029; and

WHEREAS, the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (GDPUD) has been invited to nominate a representative to LAFCO by March 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors previously nominated Director Michael Saunders to fill an open seat on February 6, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Director Saunders has again expressed an interest in representing Special Districts on LAFCO; and

WHEREAS, Staff has requested formal approval to ensure a clear record of which Eligible Expenses are reimbursable, so it may administer and process Eligible Expenses in accordance with Policy 4090.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT THAT:

1. Director Michael Saunders is nominated as a Special District representative to LAFCO and directs the General Manager to submit the Nomination Form and Statement of Qualifications by March 10, 2025.
2. The categories of Eligible Expenses requested for the Official Events, as set forth in, and attached to, the accompanying staff report, are hereby authorized and approved.
3. Reimbursement for all actual expenses incurred in relation to such participation and/or attendance shall be processed in accordance with District Policy 4090.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District at a meeting of said Board held on the 6th day of February 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: Thornbrough, MacDonald, Stovall, Saunders and Seaman

NOES: None

ABSENT/ABSTAIN: None



Donna Seaman, President, Board of Directors
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

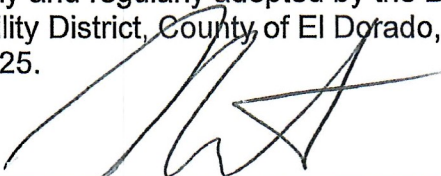
Attest:



Nicholas Schneider, Clerk, and Ex officio
Secretary, Board of Directors
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution 2025-06 duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, County of El Dorado, State of California, on this 6th day of February 2025.



Nicholas Schneider, Clerk, and Ex officio
Secretary, Board of Directors
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Statement of Qualifications

March 2025

I am currently serving my second term on the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District Board of Directors. I have served as Treasurer, Vice-President, and President of the Board; I currently am the Vice-President and Legislative Liaison. I represent the District as Vice-Chair for the Sacramento Regional Water Authority and as Vice-Chair of the Region 3 Board for the Association of California Water Agencies.

I am currently the Alternate Special District Representative on El Dorado LAFCO serving since 2019. During my time on LAFCO, my committee work has included the Ad hoc Budget Committee, Ad Hoc Grand Jury Committee, Small Water District MSR Review Committee, and the Executive Officer Recruitment Committee. I have been engaged and involved at the local level and have participated at the State level with CaLAFCO.

I ask for your vote so I can continue to work with Special District Boards and staff to ensure their agencies are accurately reflected in their municipal service reviews. This is especially important during emergencies or when an agency is experiencing financial difficulties. I will continue to work with our Fire Districts to find the best solutions for their challenges and listen to their suggestions and input. I will continue to work with our Road Districts to help make sure they are able to meet their district needs and governance requirements. I will continue to make sure that the sphere of influences for Water Districts reflect and match their water rights and growth potential and that the municipal service reviews reflect the Ad Valorem Tax and other revenue streams. I will strive to make sure as a Commissioner that LAFCO decisions are transparent, that LAFCO will share and communicate all information, and work with agencies, boards, and communities in the evaluation and promotion of the efficient provision of services within El Dorado County. I will continue to be a resource to our Special District members, agencies, the community, and the public and am available to attend board meetings if invited. I humbly ask for your vote to represent Special Districts on the El Dorado LAFCO Commission.

Thank you,

Michael Saunders,
Board of Directors
Georgetown Divide Public Utility District