EL DORADO LAFCO

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

AGENDA OF MAY 25, 2011 REGULAR MEETING

TO: Ron Briggs, Chairman, and

Members of the El Dorado County Local Agency Formation

Commission

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AGENDA ITEM #5A: OTHER BUSINESS - LEGISLATION

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission receive the attached information regarding a proposed LAFCO-related initiative, which was also distributed to Commissioners via email on May 12, 2011. This item is for information purposes only, no Commission action is necessary.

BACKGROUND

As the Commission is aware, California Forward is holding a series of regional roundtables to seek input on their recommended Smart Government Framework (Attachment A). The framework includes policy proposals intended to restructure State and local government, including the future role of LAFCOs.

CALAFCO prepared a letter to California Forward (Attachment B), outlining several areas of concern with aspects of Draft Proposals 4 and 5. These recommendations include: A) Reliance on Councils of Governments (COGs) to review the efficiency and effectiveness of local agencies to meet regional needs; B) COG role in establishing standardized data on effectiveness of local governments; and C) creating a new state commission to review local agency governance. Should these recommendations become ballot measures this fall, they could significantly affect the responsibilities and authorities of LAFCO. Staff will continue to monitor the status of the proposals.

Attachments

Attachment A: CA Forward: Smart Government Framework (Draft Proposals 4 and 5

only)

Attachment B: CALAFCO Comment Letter

Attachment C: Legislation Report