



January 9, 2025

TO: LOCSO Board of Directors
FROM: Ron Munds, General Manager
SUBJECT: **Agenda Item 6A – 01/09/2025 Board Meeting**
Nomination for LAFCO Special District Representative

RECOMMENDATION

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Consider nominations for Special District Member on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). If there is interest in nominating a District Board member, staff recommends the following motion:

I move the Board nominate _____ for the _____ year term seat to serve as a LAFCO commissioner representing Special Districts.

DISCUSSION

On December 6, 2024, the District received notice requesting nominations for the two vacant Special District seats on the LAFCO board. One seat is for a two-year term set to expire in December 2026 and another seat that would serve through 2028. The deadline for nominations is February 7, 2025 by 5:00 p.m. It is important to note that the Board can choose not to nominate a Board member since this is completely voluntary and isn't on the District's list of reimbursable meetings.

The information received from LAFCO provided the following instructions:

Instructions. Each Special District may nominate one candidate for each seat. The nominated candidate must be an elected Board of Director of your respective District. If your District wishes to nominate a candidate, please schedule this request for nominations on an agenda for a meeting of your Board of Directors as soon as possible, or if you have already been delegated by your Board as the representative of your District, you may submit a nomination on behalf of your District. Nomination forms are required to be submitted by the end of the nomination period. The nomination period is 60 days and begins on December 9, 2024, and ends on February 7, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. The completed nomination form may be submitted to the LAFCO office via mail or e-mail: mbing@slo.lafco.ca.gov. Please make sure the form is signed by the Board President or General Manager and the Nominee.

LAFCO's Mission Statement: The Local Agency Formation Commission is committed to serving the residents of San Luis Obispo County and the State of California by discouraging urban sprawl and encouraging the orderly formation and development of local agencies based on local conditions and circumstances.

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act of 2000 calls on LAFCO to make decisions while balancing the following goals:

- Encourage Orderly Growth and Development

- Promoting Efficient Provision of Public Services
- Preserve Agricultural Land Resources
- Discourage Urban Sprawl

More information on the operations of LAFCO can be found at www.slo.lafco.ca.gov

Attachments

LAFCO nomination form



San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission
SLO LAFCO - Serving the Area of San Luis Obispo County

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TO: INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT SELECTION COMMITTEE

FROM: ROB FITZROY, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DATE: DECEMBER 6, 2024

RE: REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS FOR LAFCO SEATS

Background. This nomination period is for two Regular Special District seats on LAFCO. One seat is for a two-year term set to expire in December 2026 and another seat that would serve through 2028. Commissioner Marshall Ochylski, after 12 years of dedicated service, has stepped down from his LAFCO Special District seat that was set to expire in 2026; thus creating a vacancy for the remainder of this term through December 2026. Robert Enns' four-year term expires December 2024. This seat is available for the standard four-year term and would serve through December 2028. The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act allows an existing Commissioner (in this instance Robert Enns) to remain on LAFCO until the nomination and election process is complete. The existing member may also re-run should they wish to and are eligible.

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If more than one nomination for either of the open positions is received, it is required by law hold an election. The Executive Officer shall prepare a ballot election and send it by email to each Special District with voting instructions at the conclusion of the nomination period. If an election is required, the governing body of each Special District will have the opportunity to cast a vote for any of the nominees. Further communications will be provided based on the results of the nomination period if an election is required.

A nomination form is attached to assist your District in the nomination process. Also, please view the LAFCO website (slo.lafco.ca.gov) for additional information about LAFCO. Please call 805-788-2096 if you have any questions.

cc: Members of the Commission
Holly Whatley, LAFCO Legal Counsel



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NOMINATION FOR LAFCO

SPECIAL DISTRICT MEMBER

The _____
(Insert Name of Special District)

Hereby nominates _____ as a nominee to serve as the
(Insert Name of Nominee)

Special District Member on the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (SLOLAFCO).

For the following Seat (Please select on or both if interested):

- Fill the four-year term set to expire December 2028
- Fill the vacant seat set to expire in December 2026

The Board of Director's action (if applicable) was taken on an agenda item on:

(Insert Date of Board Agenda and Action)

(General Manager or Chairman/President)

(Email address)

(Signature-Nominee)