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**Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission**

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## **Proposal from CALAFCO to Increase Dues**

Dear Members of the Commission:

### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission support the recommendation of the CALAFCO Board of Directors to increase the annual CALAFCO membership dues.

### DISCUSSION

The enclosed February 10 letter from CALAFCO Executive Director Bill Chiat and CALAFCO Executive Officer Everett Millais discusses services CALAFCO provides and may provide in the future to individual LAFCOs throughout the State.

The letter also proposes to increase the annual membership dues for members. Approval depends on support to amend the Association Bylaws by a majority of LAFCOs voting at the Annual Meeting in September in San Diego.

The Board of Directors recommends, starting in the coming fiscal year, a three-year phased approach to dues increases. Any changes in the due for the subsequent five-year period would be limited to cost of living adjustments.

As proposed, the dues paid by the Santa Barbara LAFCO would grow as follows:

| <u>Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Dues</u> | <u>Increase</u> | <u>% Change</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Current            | \$ 1,399    | - 0-            | - 0 -           |
| 2006-07            | 1,800       | \$ 401          | 28              |
| 2007-08            | 2,306       | 506             | 28              |
| 2008-09.           | 2,935       | 629             | 27              |

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This three-year increase will more than double the current dues, though support to CALAFCO represents a minor part of the overall budget. Our dues this year represent about ½ a percent of the budget, or \$1,399 out of a total of \$254,700.

In staff's view, our support to CALAFCO is a reasonable expenditure in light of services received in return, including monitoring and influencing legislative matters that can have significant effects on all LAFCOs and on local government generally.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

**BOB BRAITMAN**  
Executive Officer