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June 4, 2015 (Agenda)

TO: Each Member of the Commission

FROM: Paul Hood *PLH*  
Executive Officer

SUBJECT: **Report on 2015 CALAFCO Achievement Awards**

*This is an Informational Report. No Action is Necessary*

The 2016 CALAFCO Annual Achievement Awards nomination period has been opened. The nomination packet is attached and is also available on the CALAFCO website.

The deadline to submit a completed award nomination is **5:00 p.m., Monday, July 20, 2015**. If the Commission wished to make a nomination in any of the categories, a completed nomination form will be prepared for the July 2, 2015, Commission meeting.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

**Date:** 14 May 2015

**To:** LAFCo Commissioners and Staff  
CALAFCO Members  
Other Interested Organizations

**From:** CALAFCO Achievement Awards Committee

**Subject: 2015 CALAFCO Achievement Award Nominations**



Each year, CALAFCO recognizes outstanding achievements by dedicated and committed individuals and/or organizations from throughout the state at the Annual Conference Achievement Awards Ceremony.

Recognizing individual and organizational achievements is an important responsibility. It provides visible recognition and support to those who go above and beyond in their work to advance the principles and goals of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act. We invite you to use this opportunity to nominate the individuals and organizations you feel deserve this important recognition.

To make a nomination, please use the following procedure:

1. Nominations may be made by an individual, a LAFCo, a CALAFCO Associate Member, or any other organization. There is no limit to the number of nominations.
2. Please use a separate form (attached) for each nomination. Nominations must be submitted with a completed nomination form. The form is your opportunity to summarize the most important points of your nomination.
3. All nomination materials must be submitted at one time and must be received by the deadline. Electronic submittals are encouraged.
4. All supporting information (e.g. reports, news articles, etc.) must be submitted with the nomination. Endorsement letters from third parties are optional. Please limit supporting documentation to a file no larger than 5 mg. If necessary, a CD or thumb drive will be accepted for supporting documentation exceeding 5 mg. Should you submit a CD or thumb drive for consideration, you will need to provide 10 copies.
5. **Nominations and supporting materials must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, July 20, 2015.** Send nominations via e-mail, or U.S. mail to:

Marjorie Blom  
Stanislaus LAFCo  
1010 Tenth Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Suite 3600  
Modesto, CA 95354  
E-mail: [blomm@stancounty.com](mailto:blomm@stancounty.com)

Please contact Marjorie with any questions at (209) 525-7660. A list of the previous Achievement Award recipients is attached to this announcement.



## 2015 Achievement Award Nominations

# Nomination Form

### NOMINEE

Person or Agency Being Nominated:

Name:

Organization:

Address:

Phone/E-mail:

**NOMINATION CATEGORY** (check one – see category detail on attached sheet)

- Outstanding CALAFCO Member
- Distinguished Service Award
- Most Effective Commission
- Outstanding Commissioner
- Outstanding LAFCo Professional
- Outstanding LAFCo Clerk
- Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member
- Project of the Year
- Government Leadership Award
- Legislator of the Year (must be selected by the full CALAFCO Board)
- Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award
- Lifetime Achievement Award

### NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:



## **2015 Achievement Award Nominations**

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Please indicate the reasons why this person or agency deserves to be recognized (Use additional sheets as needed):





## 2015 Achievement Award Nominations

### CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD CATEGORIES

CALAFCO recognizes excellence within the LAFCo community and the full membership by presenting the *Achievement Awards* at the CALAFCO Annual Conference. Nominations are being accepted until **Monday, July 20, 2015**, in the following categories:

<b>Outstanding CALAFCO Member</b>	Recognizes a CALAFCO Board Member or staff person who has provided exemplary service during the past year.
<b>Distinguished Service Award</b>	Given to a member of the LAFCo community to recognize long-term service by an individual.
<b>Most Effective Commission</b>	Presented to an individual Commission to recognize innovation, streamlining, and/or initiative in implementing LAFCo programs; may also be presented to multiple Commissions for joint efforts.
<b>Outstanding Commissioner</b>	Presented to an individual Commissioner for extraordinary service to his or her Commission.
<b>Outstanding LAFCo Professional</b>	Recognizes an Executive Officer, Staff Analyst, or Legal Counsel for exemplary service during the past year.
<b>Outstanding LAFCo Clerk</b>	Presented to a LAFCo Clerk for service above and beyond the call of duty.
<b>Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member</b>	Presented to an active CALAFCO Associate Member (person or agency) that has advanced or promoted the cause of LAFCos by consistently producing distinguished work that upholds the mission and goals of LAFCos, and has helped elevate the roles and mission of LAFCos through its work. Recipient consistently demonstrates a collaborative approach to LAFCo stakeholder engagement.
<b>Project of the Year</b>	Recognition for a project-specific program that involved complex staff analysis, community involvement, or an outstanding solution.
<b>Government Leadership Award</b>	Presented to a decision-making body at the city, county, special district, regional or state level which has furthered good government efforts in California.
<b>Legislator of the Year</b>	Presented to a member of the California State Senate or Assembly in recognition of leadership and valued contributions in support of LAFCo goals. Selected by CALAFCO Board.
<b>Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award</b>	Presented to an individual who has taken extraordinary steps to improve and innovate local government. This award is named for Mike Gotch: former Assembly Member, LAFCo Executive Officer and CALAFCO Executive Director responsible for much of the foundations of LAFCo law and CALAFCO. He is remembered as a source of great inspiration for staff and legislators from throughout the state.
<b>Lifetime Achievement Award</b>	Recognizes any individual who has made extraordinary contributions to the LAFCo community in terms of longevity of service, exemplary advocacy of LAFCo-related legislation, proven leadership in approaching a particular issue or issues, and/or demonstrated support in innovative and creative ways of the goals of LAFCos throughout California. At a minimum, the individual should be involved in the LAFCo community for at least ten years.



## 2015 Achievement Award Nominations

### CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

#### 2014

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award

Distinguished Service Award

Most Effective Commission

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award

Legislators of the Year Award

Lifetime Achievement Award

David Church, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Kate McKenna, Monterey LAFCo  
Santa Clara LAFCo

Stephen Lucas, Butte LAFCo

Paul Norsell, Nevada LAFCo

Kate McKenna, Monterey LAFCo

Paige Hensley, Yuba LAFCo

**LAFCo Procedures Guide: 50<sup>th</sup> Year Special Edition,**  
San Diego LAFCo

**Orange County Water District, City of Anaheim, Irvine  
Ranch Water District, and Yorba Linda Water District**

**Assembly member Katcho Achadjian**

Susan Wilson, Orange LAFCo

#### 2013

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award

Distinguished Service Award

Most Effective Commission

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

LAFCo Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award

Legislators of the Year Award

Lifetime Achievement Award

Simón Salinas, Commissioner, Monterey LAFCo

Roseanne Chamberlain, Amador LAFCo  
Stanislaus LAFCo

Harry Ehrlich, San Diego LAFCo

Jerry Gladbach, Los Angeles LAFCo

Lou Ann Texeira, Contra Costa

Kate Sibley, Contra Costa LAFCo

**Plan for Agricultural Preservation, Stanislaus LAFCo**

**Orange County LAFCo Community Islands Taskforce,**  
Orange LAFCo

**Senators Bill Emmerson and Richard Roth**

**H. Peter Faye, Yolo LAFCo; Henry Pellissier, Los Angeles  
LAFCo; Carl Leverenz, Butte LAFCo; Susan Vicklund-Wilson,**  
Santa Clara LAFCo.

#### 2012

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award

Distinguished Service Award

Most Effective Commission

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner

LAFCo Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Project of the Year

Bill Chiat, CALAFCO Executive Director

Marty McClelland, Commissioner, Humboldt LAFCo  
Sonoma LAFCo

Stephen A. Souza, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo and  
CALAFCO Board of Directors

Sherwood Darington, Monterey

Carole Cooper, Sonoma LAFCo

Gwenna MacDonald, Lassen LAFCo

Countywide Service Review & SOI Update, Santa Clara  
LAFCo





## 2015 Achievement Award Nominations

Government Leadership Award  
Lifetime Achievement Award

North Orange County Coalition of Cities, Orange LAFCo  
P. Scott Browne, Legal Counsel LAFCos

### 2011

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award  
Distinguished Service Award  
LAFCo Most Effective Commission  
Outstanding CALAFCO Member  
Outstanding Commissioner  
Outstanding LAFCo Professional  
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk  
Project of the Year

**Martin Tuttle**, Deputy Director for Planning, Caltrans  
**Mike McKeever**, Executive Director, SACOG  
**Carl Leverenz**, Commissioner and Chair, Butte  
**San Bernardino LAFCo**  
**Keene Simonds**, Executive Officer, Napa LAFCo  
**Louis R. Calcagno**, Monterey LAFCo  
**June Savala**, Deputy Executive Officer, Los Angeles LAFCo  
**Debbie Shubert**, Ventura LAFCo  
**Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Definitions Revision**  
Bob Braitman, Scott Browne, Clark Alsop, Carole Cooper,  
and George Spiliotis

Government Leadership Award

**Contra Costa Sanitary District**  
**Elsinore Water District and Elsinore Valley Municipal Water  
District**

### 2010

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award  
Distinguished Service Award  
  
Most Effective Commission  
Outstanding CALAFCO Member  
Outstanding Commissioner  
Outstanding LAFCo Professional  
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk  
Project of the Year

**Helen Thompson**, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo

**Kathleen Rollings-McDonald**, Executive Officer, San  
Bernardino LAFCo  
**Bob Braitman**, Executive Officer, Santa Barbara LAFCo  
**Tulare LAFCo**

**Roger Anderson, Ph.D.**, CALAFCO Chair, Santa Cruz LAFCo  
**George Lange**, Ventura LAFCo  
**Harry Ehrlich**, Government Consultant, San Diego LAFCo  
**Candie Fleming**, Fresno LAFCo

Government Leadership Award

**Butte LAFCo**  
Sewer Commission - Oroville Region Municipal Service  
Review

**Nipomo Community Services District and the County of San  
Luis Obispo**

Special Achievement

**Chris Tooker**, Sacramento LAFCo and CALAFCO Board of  
Directors

### 2009

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award  
Distinguished Service Award  
Most Effective Commission  
Outstanding CALAFCO Member  
  
Outstanding Commissioner  
Outstanding LAFCo Professional

**Paul Hood**, Executive Officer, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

**William Zumwalt**, Executive Officer, Kings LAFCo  
**Napa LAFCo**

**Susan Vicklund Wilson**, CALAFCO Vice Chair  
**Jerry Gladbach**, CALAFCO Treasurer

**Larry M. Fortune**, Fresno LAFCo

**Pat McCormick**, Santa Cruz LAFCo Executive Officer



## 2015 Achievement Award Nominations

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk  
Project of the Year  
Government Leadership Award

Emmanuel Abello, Santa Clara LAFCo  
Orange LAFCo Boundary Report  
Cities of Amador City, Jackson, Ione, Plymouth & Sutter  
Creek; Amador County; Amador Water Agency; Pine  
Grove CSD – Countywide MSR Project  
Assembly Member Jim Silva

Legislator of the Year Award

### 2008

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Distinguished Service Award  
  
Most Effective Commission  
Outstanding Commissioner  
Outstanding LAFCo Professional  
  
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk  
Project of the Year  
  
Government Leadership Award  
Legislator of the Year Award

Peter M. Detwiler, Senate Local Government Committee  
Chief Consultant  
**Yuba LAFCo**  
Dennis Hansberger, San Bernardino LAFCo  
Michael Ott, San Diego LAFCo Executive Officer  
Martha Poyatos, San Mateo Executive Officer  
Wilda Turner, Los Angeles LAFCo  
**Kings LAFCo**  
City and Community District MSR and SOI Update  
**San Bernardino Board of Supervisors**  
Assembly Member Anna M. Caballero

### 2007

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member  
Distinguished Service Award  
Counsel Most Effective Commission  
Outstanding Commissioner  
Outstanding LAFCo Professional  
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk  
Project of the Year  
  
Government Leadership Award  
Lifetime Achievement

Kathy Long, Board Chair, Ventura LAFCo  
William D. Smith, San Diego Legal  
**Santa Clara LAFCo**  
Gayle Uilkema, Contra Costa LAFCo  
Joyce Crosthwaite, Orange LAFCo Executive Officer  
Debby Chamberlin, San Bernardino LAFCo  
**San Bernardino LAFCo and City of Fontana**  
Islands Annexation Program  
**City of Fontana - Islands Annexation Program**  
John T. "Jack" Knox

### 2006

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member  
  
Distinguished Service Award  
Most Effective Commission Award  
Outstanding Commissioner Award  
  
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award  
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award  
  
Project of the Year Award  
  
Outstanding Government Leadership Award

Everett Millais, CALAFCO Executive Officer and Executive  
Officer of Ventura LAFCo  
Clark Alsop, CALAFCO Legal Counsel  
**Alameda LAFCo**  
Ted Grandsen, Ventura LAFCo  
Chris Tooker, Sacramento LAFCo  
Larry Calemine, Los Angeles LAFCo Executive Officer  
Janice Bryson, San Diego LAFCo  
Marilyn Flemmer, Sacramento LAFCo  
**Sacramento Municipal Utility District** Sphere of Influence  
Amendment and Annexation; **Sacramento LAFCo**  
Cities of Porterville, Tulare, and Visalia and Tulare LAFCo  
Island Annexation Program





## 2015 Achievement Award Nominations

Legislator of the Year Award

Senator Christine Kehoe

### 2005

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Peter Herzog, CALAFCO Board, Orange LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

Elizabeth Castro Kemper, Yolo LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award

Ventura LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award

Art Aseltine, Yuba LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Henri Pellissier, Los Angeles LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Bruce Baracco, San Joaquin LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

San Diego LAFCo

MSR of Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services

Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)

### 2004

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Scott Harvey, CALAFCO Executive Director

Distinguished Service Award

Julie Howard, Shasta LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award

San Diego LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award

Edith Johnsen, Monterey LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

David Kindig, Santa Cruz LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Nipomo CSD SOI Update, MSR, and EIR

### 2003

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Michael P. Ryan, CALAFCO Board Member

Distinguished Service Award

Henri F. Pellissier, Los Angeles LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award

San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award

Bob Salazar, El Dorado LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Shirley Anderson, San Diego LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Lori Fleck, Siskiyou LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

Napa LAFCo

Comprehensive Water Service Study

Special Achievement Award

James M. Roddy

### 2002

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Ken Lee, CALAFCo Legislative Committee Chair

Most Effective Commission Award

San Diego LAFCo Outstanding

Commissioner Award

Ed Snively, Imperial LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Paul Hood, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

Napa LAFCo, Napa County Farm Bureau, Napa Valley Vintners Association, Napa Valley Housing Authority, Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office, Napa County Counsel Office, and Assembly Member Patricia Wiggins



## 2015 Achievement Award Nominations

### 2001

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	SR Jones, CALAFCO Executive Officer
Distinguished Service Award	David Martin, Tax Area Services Section, State Board of Equalization
Outstanding Commissioner Award	H. Peter Faye, Yolo LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	Ingrid Hansen, San Diego LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	Santa Barbara LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Livermore City Council, Pleasanton City Council
Legislator of the Year Award	Senator Jack O'Connell

### 2000

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Ron Wootton, CALAFCO Board Chair
Distinguished Service Award	Ben Williams, Commission on Local Governance for the 21st Century
Most Effective Commission Award	Yolo LAFCo
Outstanding Commissioner	Rich Gordon, San Mateo LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	Annamaria Perrella, Contra Costa LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	Susan Stahmann, El Dorado LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	San Diego LAFCo
Legislator of the Year Award	Robert Hertzberg, Assembly Member

### 1999

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Distinguished Service Award	Marilyn Ann Flemmer-Rodgers, Sacramento LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	Orange LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	Don Graff, Alameda LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	Dory Adams, Marin LAFCo
Most Creative Solution to a Multi-Jurisdictional Problem	San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Assembly Member John Longville
Legislator of the Year Award	Assembly Member Robert Hertzberg

### 1998

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Dana Smith, Orange LAFCo
Distinguished Service Award	Marvin Panter, Fresno LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	George Spiliotis, Riverside LAFCo
Outstanding Staff Analysis	Joe Convery, San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Joyce Crosthwaite, Orange LAFCo
	Santa Clara County Planning Department



## 2015 Achievement Award Nominations

**1997**

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Most Effective Commission Award	Orange LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	George Finney, Tulare LAFCo
Outstanding Staff Analysis	Annamaria Perrella, Contra Costa LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	South County Issues Discussion Group
Most Creative Solution to a Multi-Jurisdictional Problem	Alameda LAFCo and Contra Costa LAFCo
Legislator of the Year Award	Assembly Member Tom Torlakson

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Sacramento, California

