

Santa Barbara LAFCO

Report on 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference

“Orchards to Oceans: Balancing California’s Diversity.”

October 6, 2016

Conference Status Report

- The 2016 CALAFCO Conference Planning Committee continues to meet with the Conference Program reaching its final form. The Conference Program is almost finalized.
- The Commission approved sponsoring the Thursday, October 27, 2016 Keynote Address by making up to a \$5,000 donation to Jean-Michel Cousteau's non-profit Ocean Futures Society. Direction was given to look for local sponsors to help off-set the Commission's contribution.
- The theme for the conference is: ***“Orchards to Oceans: Balancing California's Diversity.”***

Mobile Workshop (MWS) and Wednesday Evening Reception

- The Mobile Workshop will feature a tour of the Ever-Bloom Flower facility in Carpinteria, followed by a guided tour of the Bradbury Dam. Lunch will be provided with details to follow. There will be a County Historian and the County Water Agency Manager on the bus to provide insights while we travel.
- The MWS is sold out (83 sign ups) and CALAFCO Rented a second bus.
- The Wednesday evening event will feature the traditional Beer and Wine Competition. LAFCO's statewide have been asked to provide samples for judging. The most prominent entries to date include Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Napa, Sonoma, Santa Cruz and Mendocino Counties.

Welcome and Thanks

- Santa Barbara Mayor Helene Schneider has graciously accepted our invitation to be part of the opening ceremony for the conference.
- In addition, Santa Barbara LAFCO Public Member, and past CALAFCO Board Member, Roger Welt, will welcome conference participants to Santa Barbara on behalf of Santa Barbara LAFCO.
- Fire Department Colour Guard and Sheriff's Office Pipe and Drum Group
- Congratulations to the Santa Barbara LAFCO as the host committee, the Conference Program Planning Committee, and the CALAFCO organization, particularly Executive Director Pamela Miller for outstanding work on the Conference.



Announcing The 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference Program

Conference Hosted by Santa Barbara LAFCo

October 26-28, 2016
Fess Parker DoubleTree by Hilton
Santa Barbara, CA



Wednesday, October 26

7:30 am - 12:30 pm - Mobile Workshop (bus boards at 7:15 am)
10 am - Noon LAFCO 101

1:30 - 2:00 Conference opening session
2:00 - 3:30 General Session: The Big Picture: A Water Report From the State, Regional and Local Levels
3:30 - 3:45 Break and time with Sponsors
3:45 - 5:00 General Session: Back to Our Roots: Curbing Sprawl, Preserving Open Space and Agricultural Lands to Ensure Orderly Growth and Development
5:30 - 7:00 CALAFCO Welcome Reception and Beer & Wine Tasting and time with Sponsors
Dinner on your own

Thursday, October 27

7:00 - 9:00 am Continental Breakfast Buffet
8:00 - 8:45 am Regional Caucuses and Elections
9:00 - 10:15 General Session: CALAFCO Annual Business Meeting
10:15 - 10:30 Break and time with Sponsors
10:30 - 11:45 Regional, Legal Counsel and Associate Member Roundtables
12:00 pm - 1:30 Lunch
1:45 - 3:15 Breakout Sessions:
- Cutting Edge Trends and LAFCo: GIS, Public Policy and Future Challenges
- Time to Revisit AB 8: Property Tax Exchanges and LAFCos
- City Incorporations in California: Case Studies and Prospects For New Cities
3:15 - 3:30 Break and time with Sponsors
3:30 - 5:00 Breakout Sessions:
- Growth and Development By the Numbers: California's Demographic and Governance Changes Post-CKH
- CEQA ~ What is a Responsible Agency To Do?
- Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities and SB 244: How Is It Working Out?
6:00 - 6:30 Pre-dinner reception (no host)
6:30 - 8:30 Dinner and Annual Achievement Awards Presentation

Friday, October 28

7:30 am - 9 am Breakfast Buffet with Sponsors
7:30 - 8:45 CALAFCO Board of Directors Meeting
9:00 - 10:30 General Session: LAFCo and State Overrides: That's That All About Anyway?
10:30 - 10:45 Break
10:45 - Noon General Session: CALAFCO Annual Legislative Report ~ 2016 Legislative Impacts on LAFCos

**Mark your calendar and
plan to attend!**
Registration is open
until 10/14.
Visit www.calafco.org

Fess Parker DoubleTree by Hilton



Make your reservations now at the Fess Parker DoubleTree by Hilton at the special CALAFCO special rate of \$165/\$175. Special rates available two days pre-conference. Reservation cutoff date is 9/25/16. Find the link at www.calafco.org. Space is filling up so make your reservations now!



Visit www.calafco.org for Conference details
or call us at 916-442-6536.



MOBILE WORKSHOP

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26
7:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.



OUR FIRST STOP IS TO THE STATE-OF-THE-ART EVER-BLOOM FLOWER GROWERS IN CARPINTERIA.

Committed to growing quality flowers with a conscience for the environment, they use a closed-loop irrigation system where every drop of excess irrigation water is collected and recycled to be used again. This system decreased their water use by over 40%, and allows them to keep all of the water on their own property with zero runoff. Obsessed with efficiency, their ultramodern boiler utilizes every possible BTU to heat greenhouses that have been equipped with multiple curtain systems to trap heat when it is needed.



OUR NEXT STOP IS THE BREATHTAKING BRADBURY DAM AT LAKE CACHUMA.

Located on the Santa Ynez river about 25 miles northwest of Santa Barbara, the dam was built as part of the larger Cachuma project in 1953. Featuring an intricate distribution system, the water is carried through over 30 miles of tunnels and conduits. About midway down, water is treated at the City's Cater Water Treatment Plant and distributed to residents within the City's service area, as well as put back into the conduit for delivery to residents in Montecito, Summerland and Carpinteria.

THE MOBILE WORKSHOP WILL END WITH LUNCH AT CACHUMA LAKE RECREATION AREA,

which is set amidst acres of wilderness and flanked by the picturesque Santa Ynez and San Rafael Mountains.



Cost: \$50 per person

Wear flat-soled shoes for walking. Registration of this event is non-transferrable due to federal security reasons.

Deadline to register is October 11, 2016 by 5 p.m. no exceptions. Please use the Conference registration form to register for the Mobile Workshop.





Join us as we celebrate **California's diversity from orchards to oceans**...and everything in between.

This is a great opportunity to network with fellow LAFcos and visit with our Conference Sponsors!



From 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. in the beautiful Reagan Room, overlooking the Pacific ocean.

**WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 26**

**BEER & WINE
TASTING**

Beer and wine contributions should be reported to the Host LAFCo Executive Officer, Paul Hood, no later than October 11, 2016 by 5 p.m.

Email Paul your entry to
hood.paul@sbcglobal.net



Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission Receive the Report on 2016 CALAFCO Annual Conference in Santa Barbara –Provide Direction to Staff