January 23, 2018

To:

Cities and Special Districts in San Mateo County

Other Interested Agencies

From:

Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer Latt Contact

Subject:

Proposed Policy Language Regarding Water Resiliency and Climate Change

In reviewing 2018 legislative policies, San Mateo LAFCo's Legislative and Policy Committee discussed adding policy language to address water resiliency and climate change. The Committee agreed that the draft policy should be circulated to the cities and special districts prior to it being considered for adoption by the Commission at their next meeting on March 21.

The following language is proposed to be added to San Mateo LAFCo's legislative policies and procedures related to sphere of influence reviews and updates, municipal service reviews, and boundary change applications:

Safe, adequate, reliable, and resilient water supplies are fundamental to the County. The Commission supports governance models that enhance and provide a more robust water supply capacity (including – but not limited to – recycling, desalination, and stormwater recapture) in the County. The Commission will consider how waterrelated requests for sphere of influence, boundary, or service modification affect the Commission's interests.

Resiliency to climate change is important to the health, safety, and economic prosperity of the County. The Commission supports multi-agency collaboration and governance models that provide risk reduction solutions that address sea level rise and other measures to adapt to climate change.

To ensure that your comments are included in the Executive Officer's report to the Commission, please respond to the LAFCo office with any comments by Friday, March 9, 2018. All agencies will receive the March 21 LAFCo meeting agenda and staff report.

cc: LAFCo Commissioners

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