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To: LAFCo Commissioners *M. Poyatos*
From: Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer
Subject: Review and Consideration of Adoption of Policy Language Regarding Water Resiliency and Climate Change

Recommendation

Receive the report and consider adoption of water resiliency and climate change policy language at the March 21 Commission meeting.

Background

In addition to reviewing the 2018 CALAFCO legislative policies, the Legislative and Policy Committee also discussed additional policy language to address water resiliency and climate change. The Committee concurred that such language would add value to the Commission's consideration of proposed legislation and the review of sphere of influence updates and boundary change applications. The Committee also agreed that the policies should be made available to cities and special districts prior to consideration of adoption by the Commission and recommends that the policy language be considered by the Commission at their next meeting on March 21.

The following language is proposed to be added to the legislative policies with any changes or modifications the Commission would like to make:

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 and desalination) in the County. The Commission will consider how water-related 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.

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