



AGENDA ITEM 6B

MEETING: September 20, 2017
TO: Humboldt LAFCo Commissioners
FROM: George Williamson, Executive Officer
SUBJECT: **CALAFCO Board of Directors Nominations**
The Commission will consider nominations for County or Special District member positions on the CALAFO Board of Directors.

BACKGROUND

The California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO) was established in 1971 to assist members in fulfilling their prescribed regional growth management duties. CALAFCO assists LAFCos in each of the state's 58 counties with educational and technical resources, coordinates LAFCo activities, serves as a resource to the Legislature, and supports information-sharing among LAFCos and other governmental agencies. The CALAFCO Board of Directors consists of 16 directors equally represented by the four regions (North, Southern, Central and Coastal). Each region elects four members, one from each category of representation (public, county, city, special district). These elections are held at the CALAFCO annual conference each year in the fall. Directors serve staggered two-year terms.

DISCUSSION

Humboldt LAFCo is in CALAFCO's 18-county Northern Region. CALAFCO Board of Director nominations are being sought for County and District members in the Northern Region. Chair Fennell has expressed interest in serving on CALAFCO Board should the Commission agree that: 1) participating in CALAFCO activities at the state-level is a Commission priority; and 2) attending CALAFCO Board meetings won't be too costly for the Commission and member agencies.

The CALAFCO Board meets 5 times per year (twice in Sacramento, twice in Southern CA, and once at the annual conference). For the remaining fiscal year, the Commission could expect to budget travel costs for three out of county meetings at approximately \$3,000 (\$1,000 per meeting). Subsequent to the annual conference, the Board is scheduled to meet on Dec 8th in Sacramento. In addition to regular Board meetings, CALAFCO has four standing committees - Legislative, Recruitment, Awards, and Conference - that Board members are expected to participate in (typically by phone).

The Commission must take a formal action to nominate a commissioner to serve on the CALAFCO Board. The deadline to submit nominations is September 25, 2017. Voting will be done by ballot during the Regional Caucuses at the CALAFCO Conference. At the Regional Caucuses, each candidate will be given time to make a brief statement for their candidacy before the ballots are cast.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Commission consider nominations for either county or special district member positions on the CALAFO Board of Directors.