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**FROM: PAUL L. HOOD, EXECUTIVE OFFICER** *PLH*

**DATE: JUNE 18, 2009**

**SUBJECT: CALAFCO STAFF WORKSHOP AT THE CLIFFS IN  
PISMO BEACH-HOSTED BY SAN LUIS OBISPO LAFCO**

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The Cliffs Hotel in Pismo Beach was the site of the CALAFCO annual Staff Workshop held on April 29 through May 1st. The Staff Workshop is conducted each year at a different location throughout the State and this year was hosted by San Luis Obispo LAFCO. Executive Officers, Analysts, Legal Counsels, and Clerks from around the State gathered to discuss current issues and trends, best practices and skill building.

The Workshop was a productive and timely event in regard to the fiscal challenges being faced by the Cities, Counties, Special Districts and the State of California. Sessions that explored the fiscal health of Cities and Districts were provocative and informative. Other sessions focused on interagency relationships, SB 375 and the future role of LAFCOs. The clicker session with Chuck Anders (Strategic Initiatives-Arroyo Grande) was particularly well received as Staff from around the state provided real time feedback about a number of questions and issues facing LAFCOs.

Over 116 people from around the State attended the workshop. In addition, 25 people attended the Mobile Workshop on Wednesday morning which stopped in re-built Avila Beach, visited the City of San Luis Obispo Greenbelt, and toured Cal Poly's sustainable Village Development. "Tour Guides" from the County, City, and Cal Poly met us at each stop. The tour guides were informative and insightful. The Greenbelt discussion with Neil Havlik, City of SLO Natural Resource Manager, was particularly interesting.

The Cliffs Hotel in Pismo Beach proved to be an excellent location as many people from around the State enjoyed the scenic location and wonderful weather we had during the week. The responsive hotel staff made for an event that ran smoothly and without problems. Workshop participants were very complimentary of the excellent service and beautiful location.

Attached is a copy of the Certificate of Recognition presented to San Luis Obispo LAFCO Staff from CALAFCO for a job well done.

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# CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

*Presented to*

**PAUL HOOD, DAVID CHURCH  
AND DONNA BLOYD  
SAN LUIS OBISPO LAFCO**

*In recognition of their extraordinary efforts and contributions in hosting the*

*2009 CALAFCO Staff Workshop*

*Thank you for an outstanding Workshop!*

1 May 2009



William Chlat  
Executive Director

