

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION**  
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January 22, 2015 (Agenda)

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**Schedule to Consider and Adopt LAFCO Budget for FY 2015-16**

Dear Members of the Commission:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission receive this report that the Proposed Budget will be heard on March 26 and the Final Budget on May 28.

DISCUSSION

Government Code Section 56381(a), which governs preparation of the LAFCO budget, reads as follows:

The commission shall adopt annually, following noticed public hearings, a proposed budget by May 1 and final budget by June 15.

At a minimum, the proposed and final budget shall be equal to the budget adopted for the previous fiscal year unless the commission finds that reduced staffing or program costs will nevertheless allow the commission to fulfill the purposes and programs of this chapter.

The commission shall transmit its proposed and final budgets to the board of supervisors, to each city, and to each independent special district.

LAFCO is an independent commission established by the legislature to carry out specific duties. It is responsible for adopting its own budget to fulfill the purposes described in the Cortese/Knox/Hertzberg Act. The law does not require approval of the budget by the County or any other local agencies

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Consequently we are planning to present the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 at the March 26 Commission meeting so it can be distributed to the County, cities and independent special districts for their review, followed by adoption of the Final Budget two months later at the Commission meeting on May 28.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bob Braitman", followed by a horizontal line.

BOB BRAITMAN  
Executive Officer