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TO: SPECIAL DISTRICTS

FROM: ROB FITZROY, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DATE: JANUARY 6, 2026

RE: SECOND EXTENSION FOR ALTERNATE SPECIAL DISTRICT MEMBER

Background. The election period for the Alternate Special District seat on LAFCO ran from September 2, 2025, to November 3, 2025. State regulations require a quorum for the election to be valid. A quorum (at least 18 votes from any district) was not received and an extension was required. At the conclusion of the extension period that ran from November 6, 2025 to January 5, 2026, there was still no quorum. As allowed by state law, if no quorum is reached at the end of the first extension period, we may tally the votes to determine a candidate. However, the extension period resulted in a tie. Since we are unable to break the tie without another voting period, we must extend the election another 60 days. Assuming we received additional ballots, the votes will be tallied at the conclusion of the second extension and the candidate with the most votes will be appointed to the vacant seat. The candidates are as follows, with resumes and statements of interest attached:

- Owen Davis, San Miguel Community Services District
- John Joyce, Nipomo Community Services District
- Justin Smith, Cayucos Sanitary District

Instructions and Details. Each district may submit one ballot for one of the nominees listed above, if you have not done so already. See the attached ballot for your use. The election period will be extended a second time for another 60 days and commence on January 6, 2026, and conclude on March 6, 2026 at 5pm. **BALLOTS ARE DUE MARCH 6, 2026, by 5PM.** If your District wishes to submit a ballot, please place this item on an agenda at a meeting of your Board of Directors as soon as possible, or if you have already been delegated by your Board as the representative of your district, you may submit a ballot on behalf of your district.

The completed ballot forms may be submitted to the LAFCO office via mail or e-mail: mmorris@slo.lafco.ca.gov. Please make sure the form is signed by the Board President or General Manager.

Thank you, and please contact me with any questions.

Attachments: Ballot

cc: Holly Whatley, LAFCO Legal Counsel



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**BALLOT FOR LAFCO
SPECIAL DISTRICT ALTERNATE MEMBER ELECTION
FOR SEAT TERM THROUGH DECEMBER 2030**

The _____ (Insert Name
of Special District)

hereby selects the following individual for the Special District Alternate Member seat term through December 2030 on the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (choose one):

- Owen Davis, San Miguel Community Services District
- John Joyce, Nipomo Community Services District
- Justin Smith, Cayucos Sanitary District

The Board of Directors' action was taken on an agenda item on:

Insert Date of Board Agenda and Action

General Manager or Chairman/President

Date

Owen Davis

Nominee for LAFCO Special District Member Alternate



Statement of Interest and Background

I am very interested in gaining a seat on LAFCO Special District. I feel I could add very much with my vast experience in agriculture, irrigation, design, building and farm management.

I served in the US Army from December 1963 to December 1966 and in Korea as a tanker from June 1964 to July 1965.

I have been a Director on the San Miguel CSD Board from December 2022 to current. My goal has been to control what I feel is unnecessary and out of control spending of the people of San Miguel's money.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Owen Davis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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John Joyce, Director

Director Joyce earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Engineering from Purdue University and earned several post-graduate certificates from UCLA and the IEEE. He was employed with the Indiana Department of Water Resources as the State Lake Inspector and promoted to Water Resource Manager. After moving to California, he worked for Glendale Water and Power for two years. Next came 32 years of varied experience with Burbank Water and Power as a Commercial Utility Auditor, Planning Engineer, Rate Manager and Senior Key Account Manager before retirement.

He has expertise in managing complex projects, fostering engagement, a strong commitment to environmental stewardship and ensuring sustainable development. This background makes him well suited for the important decisions and needed staff direction made by the Nipomo Community Service District while striving to preserve Nipomo's rural charm, water quality and reliability.

Justin T. Smith

Nominee For LAFCO Special District Member Alternate

Statement of interests and Background

I'm Interested in the available LAFCO Special District Alternate seat to serve San Luis Obispo County service areas, cities, and special districts. I hope to become an alternate so I can better understand the challenges faced by communities throughout the county. I am grateful for my fellow Cayucos Sanitary District Directors nomination for this position. As a member I would like to be a representative to ensure that the complex issues faced by communities are properly addressed. My 20 years of experience in the water industry have given me the unique opportunity to become versed in water rights and Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations. I have seen firsthand how water issues can affect community in the long term. Water is on the forefront of issues facing several communities within the county and most coastal communities and communities within the Paso ground water basin will be facing water related issues during future annexations. As an alternate member I would like to put that knowledge to use by making sure that long-term water availability, infrastructure reliability and funding are considered as part of the annexation projects brought before the commission.

Thank you for considering me as an alternate member, allowing me the opportunity to safeguard the future of our county for the next generation of residents.