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*The continuing fiscal crisis affecting State and local governments will continue to impact our work for years to come. There is no doubt that we are at a crossroads in regards to how public services will be delivered. Against this backdrop, the Conference Program Committee has been hard at work developing many practical and thought-provoking sessions. Likely session topics include: infrastructure/service challenges in unincorporated communities, water supply reliability and conservation, local agency financial stressors, and energy and local agencies, to name a few. Additionally, the traditional Legislative Update will provide the latest information from Sacramento. Of course, the conference will also include many opportunities for networking and taking in all that the Palm Springs area has to offer.*

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## Get the Most from Your Conference Attendance



### CONFERENCE DETAILS

**H**otel The conference will be held at the Hilton Palm Springs. The Hilton is a lovely property located in the heart of Palm Springs, within easy walking distance to some of the finest restaurants, night clubs, theaters, galleries and boutiques; including the Palm Springs Convention Center, Desert Museum, Palm Springs Follies and Thursday Night's Villagefest. The Hilton Palm Springs is also equipped with wireless internet, spa services available for those who would like to experience the elements of the earth that have touched your body, mind and spirit for centuries, pool and jacuzzi, fine dining, and staff is readily available to help you.

**R**eservations CALAFCO has secured an unbelievable special conference rate of \$84/night, plus resort fee and applicable taxes. The resort fee includes 24 Hour Fitness Center, Self-Parking, Palm Springs Airport Shuttle, High Speed Internet, and Dinner discounts. The rate will be available from Tuesday through Sunday. Rates will increase after 15 September. Make it a mini-vacation! Reservations may be made by phone or on-line. WHAT A DEAL!

◆ [Hilton On-Line CALAFCO Reservations](http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalize/PSPPSHF-CAL-20101005/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)  
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◆ (800) 445-8667

**T**ravel The Hilton Palm Springs is located at the corner of Tahquitz Canyon and Calle Encilia. Easily accessible by all major carriers servicing Palm Springs, Ontario, Orange County, and Los Angeles. Transportation to and from the airports is available by car rental, shuttle or ground operators. From Palm Springs International 1.5 miles; from Ontario International 72 miles, 1 hour driving time; from John Wayne (Orange Co.), 98 miles, 1.5 hours; from Los Angeles International (LAX) 120 miles, 2 hours.

**R**egistration Fee The early registration fee is \$390; the same rate as the last several years. Registration includes all materials, sessions, Wednesday banquet, Thursday breakfast, lunch and reception, Friday breakfast, and breaks. The hotel will be happy to accommodate your special dietary needs. All conference participants and guests must be registered to attend conference activities.

### PROGRAM SUMMARY

This year, the CALAFCO Conference Committee has designed a program that looks to the future while providing tools for coping with the present. LAFcos play a key support role in shaping California's future, and the Committee's goal this year is to provide the perspectives and the tools needed for California's recovery.

The fiscal crisis affecting state and local government will continue to dominate discussion; several sessions will focus on its challenges for continued provision of public services. A special session on energy and public agencies will provide an overview of the field, and practical tips for evaluating public agency proposals to provide electrical services. A session on the Evolving Role of Conservation in Water Supply Reliability will look at the latest requirements and provide examples of how local agencies are addressing them.

Other practical sessions will focus on Best Practices for LAFco Commissions, fee structure methodologies, and meeting skills. This year, in addition to offering the popular pre-session

**CALAFCO Awards Banquet** Every year CALAFCO recognizes those that have excelled in advancing the LAFCo mission and priorities. Join us for the reception, annual banquet and awards presentation.

*Wednesday, evening 6:30-9:00 p.m. Included in registration.*

**Weather** The average highs in Palm Springs during early October are in the low to mid 90's and lows in the mid 60's. Very nice!

**What to Pack/Wear:** short-sleeved shirts and shorts, with light weight pants, light weight jacket or sweater for layering in the early morning or late evening.

**Family and Guest Activities** There are many local activities to occupy families and guests that accompany you to the conference. Special conference rates are available at the Hilton Palm Springs before and after the conference if you want to make this a mini-vacation!

- ◆ **The Hilton Palm Springs** is a wonderfully complete resort with its Ultimate Body Spa that lavishes you with facials, and relaxing body massages.
- ◆ **Desert Discoveries:** The Aerial Tramway, horseback riding, hiking, and bicycle trails. See the Living Desert Garden and the Indian Canyons.
- ◆ **Spa Casino:** a 125,000 square feet luxury casino, located just steps away, awaits you.
- ◆ **Shopping:** World class shopping area only a short stroll away along Palm Canyon Drive.
- ◆ **Villagefest Street Fair:** Is held every Thursday evening in the village of Palm Springs, only two blocks from the Hilton Hotel. It becomes a walker's paradise of fresh fruit and vegetable stands from area growers, live music and the best of Palm Spring's artists and craftsmen.
- ◆ **Tennis:** The Hilton will arrange times on tennis courts conveniently located near the resort.

- ◆ **Golf:** The Hilton offers special guest privileges at many nearby championship courses.
- ◆ **Entertainment Galore:** The Desert Museum, galleries, sidewalk cafes, theaters and night clubs are all nearby.

## *Tips to Help Get More Out of a CALAFCO Conference*

### **BEFORE THE CONFERENCE**

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- ◆ Make a public announcement at a commission meeting that representatives from your LAFCo will attend. Indicate who will attend, the purpose and value of their participation, and the approximate budgeted cost.
- ◆ Review the conference program and determine which sessions, discussions and activities will directly benefit you and your LAFCo.
- ◆ Explain the benefits and return on investment for conference participation. LAFCo is a significant and complex responsibility. Training commissioners and staff to be effective leaders and decision makers is an educational investment that benefits the entire community.
- ◆ Designate an attending representative to prepare a written or verbal summary report to the entire commission following the conference.

### **DURING THE CONFERENCE**

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- ◆ List specific questions you want answered during the sessions. If the speakers don't satisfy your needs, ask questions during or after the presentation. Take notes on each session.
- ◆ Collect material to share with commissioners who did not attend, including handout materials that have relevance to your LAFCo.
- ◆ Get acquainted and talk informally with other attendees during breaks, receptions,



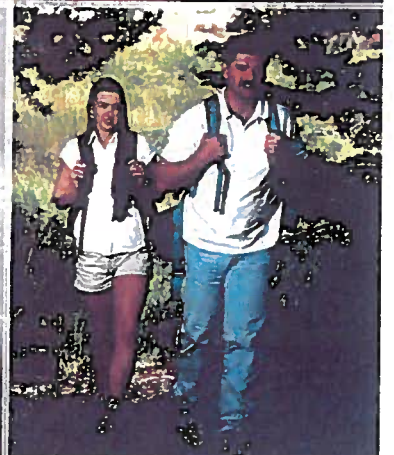
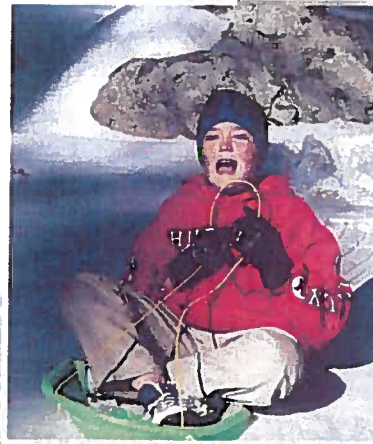
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