

Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Website: www.modoclafco.org

Tuesday October 9, 2018 – 4:00 PM

City Council Chambers
Alturas City Hall
200 North Street, Alturas, CA 96101

1. Call to order / Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioners

Alternate Members

Jim Irvin, City Member, Chair
Geri Byrne, County Member, Vice Chair
Vacant, Public Member
Mark Steffek, City Member
Kathie Rhoads, County Member

Richard Read, Public Member Alt.
David Allan, County Member Alt.
Cheryl Nelson, City Member Alt

LAFCO Staff

John Benoit, Executive Officer
Scott Browne, LAFCO Counsel
Jackie Froeming, Clerk

2. Approval of the Agenda (Additions and Deletions)

3. Selection of the Public Member and Public Member Alternate for a term expiring in May 2022

- a. *Select Public Member*
- b. *Select Public Member Alternate*

4. Correspondence

5. Consider Minutes for the August 14th, 2018 LAFCo meeting

- a. *Approve minutes from the August 14th 2018 LAFCo Meeting*

6. Public Comment

This is the time set aside for citizens to address the Commission on any item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. For items that are on the agenda, public comment will be heard when the item is discussed. If your comments concern an item that is noted as a public hearing, please address the Commission after the public

hearing is opened for public testimony. The Chair reserves the right to limit each speaker to three (3) minutes. Please understand that by law, the Commission cannot make decisions on matters not on the agenda.

7. Authorize payment of Claims for August 2018 and September 2018

- a. *Authorize payment of claims for August 2018 and September 2018.*

Public Hearing

8. Public Hearing regarding an update to LAFCo's Conflict of Interest Code

- a. *Conduct public hearing*
b. *Consider Resolution 2018-0004 adopting an updated Conflict of Interest Code.*

Action Items:

9. Status of the Daphnedale CSD dissolution and consider the repeal of LAFCo Resolution 2018-0001.

- a. *Consider repeal of LAFCo initiated resolution 2018-0001 calling for LAFCo to initiate proceedings for the dissolution of the Daphnedale CSD as a quorum of the Board of Directors has been established.*

10. Continued discussion and update regarding the Surprise Valley Healthcare District and consider directing staff to prepare a MSR for services provided by the Surprise Valley Hospital (Healthcare) District as well as a Sphere of Influence Update.

- a. *Hold discussion and direct staff to initiate a Service Review (MSR) and an Update to the Sphere of Influence for the Surprise Valley Healthcare District*

11. Update regarding the Lassen Modoc Flood Control and Water Conservation District (LMCFCWCD– Service Review (MSR) and Sphere of Influence (SOI)

- a. *Review Lassen LAFCo Memo regarding changes to the LMCFCWCD MSR and SOI and provide comments to Lassen LAFCo (Lassen County being the principal County) regarding this MSR.*

12. Discussion regarding the Calafco Annual Conference October 2-5, 2018

13. Hold discussion and review LAFCo's legislative Intent (Gov Code Section 56001)

14. Executive Officer's Report:

- a. *2018 Ethics Training November 9th at 3:00-5:00 PM at the Veterans Hall 500 S. Main Street, Alturas CA*
b. *Willow Ranch and Davis Creek Cemetery and Fire Districts*
c. *AB 2258 (vetoed LAFCo Funding), SB 606 (water), AB 1668 (water), AB 2019 (Healthcare Districts), & SB 929 (websites for Districts)*

15. Commissioner Reports - Discussion

This item is placed on the agenda for Commissioners to discuss items and issues of concern to their constituency, LAFCO, and legislative matters.

16. Adjourn to the next regular meeting 4:00 PM on December 11, 2018

Any member appointed on behalf of local government shall represent the interests of the public as a whole and not solely the interest of the appointing authority Government Code Section 56325.1

The Commission may take action upon any item listed on the agenda. Unless otherwise noted, items may be taken up at any time during the meeting.

Public Comment

Members of the public may address the Commission on items not appearing on the agenda, as well as any item that does appear on the agenda, subject to the following restrictions:

- Items not appearing on the agenda must be of interest to the public and within the Commission's subject matter jurisdiction.
- No action shall be taken on items not appearing on the agenda unless otherwise authorized by Government Code Section 54954.2 (known as the Brown Act, or California Open Meeting Law).

Public Hearings

Members of the public may address the Commission on any item appearing on the agenda as a Public Hearing. The Commission may limit any person's input to a specified time. Written statements may be submitted in lieu of or to supplement oral statements made during a public hearing.

Agenda Materials

Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Commission after distribution of the agenda area available for review for public inspection in the Modoc County Planning Department office located at on 203 W. 4th Street, Alturas CA. [such documents are also available on the Modoc LAFCO website (www.modoc.lafco.ca.gov) to the extent practicable and subject to staff's ability to post the documents prior to the meeting]

Accessibility

An interpreter for the hearing-impaired may be made available upon request to the Executive Officer 72 hours before a meeting.

The location of this meeting is wheelchair-accessible.

Disclosure & Disqualification Requirements

Any person or group of persons acting in concert who directly or indirectly contribute \$1,000 or more in support of or in opposition to a change of organization or reorganization that has been submitted to Modoc LAFCO must comply with the disclosure requirements of the Political Reform Act of 1974 applicable to local initiative measures to be submitted to the electorate. These requirements contain provisions for making disclosures of contributions and expenditures at specified intervals; they may be reviewed at Government Code §§56700.1 and 81000 *et seq.* Additional information about the requirements pertaining to local initiative measures to be presented to the electorate can be obtained by calling the Fair Political Practices Commission at (916) 322-5660. A LAFCO Commissioner must disqualify herself or himself from voting on an application involving an "entitlement for use" (such as an annexation or sphere amendment) if, within the last twelve months, the Commissioner has received \$250 or more in campaign contributions from the applicant, any financially interested person who actively supports or opposes the application, or an agency (such as an attorney, engineer, or planning consultant) representing the applicant or an interested party. The law (Government Code Section 84308) also requires any applicant or other participant in a LAFCO proceeding to disclose the contribution amount and name of the recipient Commissioner on the official record of the proceeding. Contact LAFCO Staff LAFCO staff may be contacted at (530) 233-9625 or by email at i.benoit4@icloud.com Copies of reports to the extent feasible are located on the LAFCO webpage at: www.modoclafco.org

**Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission
Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2018**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Rhoads called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, Alturas City Hall. Commissioner Rhoads, Commissioner Irvin, and Commissioner Steffek were present.

Staff Present: John Benoit, Executive Officer (EO) and Jackie Froeming, Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance

2. Adjourn for one minute in memory of Jerry Shea, LAFCo's Public Member who passed away on July 28, 2018.

The LAFCo Meeting adjourned at 4:08pm to observe a moment of silence in memory of Commissioner Shea. The meeting was called back to order at 4:09pm.

3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for FY 2018 - 2019

a. Motion by Commissioner Steffek and Seconded by Commissioner Rhoads to nominate Jim Irvin as F.Y. 2018-2019 Chair for Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) of Modoc County. There were no other nominations. Motion Passed Unanimous.

b. Motion by Commissioner Irvin and Seconded by Commissioner Steffek to nominate Geri Byrne as F.Y. 2018-2019 Vice-Chair for Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) of Modoc County. There were no other nominations. Motion Passed Unanimous.

4. Approval of Agenda (Additions and Deletions)

Commissioner Irvin made the motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Steffek. In favor were Commissioners Irvin, Steffek, and Rhoads. Motion passed Unanimous.

5. Correspondence - None

6. Consider Minutes for June 12, 2018

Commissioner Rhoads made the motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Commissioner Irvin. In favor were Commissioners Irvin, Rhoads, and Steffek. Motion Passed Unanimous.

7. Public Comment - None

8. Authorize payment of Claims for June 2018 and July 2018.

Commissioner Steffek made the motion to approve authorization of claims; seconded by Commissioner Rhoads. In favor, Commissioners Irvin, Rhoads, and Steffek.
Motion Passed Unanimous.

Action Items:

9. Authorize recruitment of Public Member due to Jerry Shea passing away on July 28, 2018.

Motion made by Commissioner Rhoads to authorize the recruitment of a Public Member; Seconded by Commissioner Steffek. In favor were Commissioners Irvin, Rhoads, and Steffek.
Motion Passed Unanimous.

10. Status of Daphnedale CSD dissolution and consider the repeal of LAFCo Resolution 2018-0001.

Executive Officer Benoit reported on the status of this CSD. They do have a Board in place and will be able to conduct business.

Chester Robertson – Reported that three (3) people were appointed to the Board.

Commissioner Irvin had questions and wanted to know if the Board is functioning? Chester Robertson reported that are not functioning as of this date.

Commissioner Irvin reported that the CSD is currently \$35,000.00 in debt and \$1,600.00 is added each month to that amount. He would like to see this Resolution stay on the agenda, would continue the pressure, and is reluctant to push forward on the repeal of Resolution 2018-001. Executive Officer Benoit stated this can stay on the agenda for October and be discussed at the next meeting.

Commissioner Rhoades asked if anybody has contacted the CSD and whose responsibility it would be to reach out to them.

Executive Officer responded it would be the County Clerk's office to reach out to the district. This item has been tabled and discussion will continue at the meeting in October.

11. Continued discussion and update regarding the Surprise Valley Health Care District.

Executive Officer Benoit reported on what LAFCO is seeing in many special districts and finding that several districts should consolidate. There are issues and challenges that come up when consolidating special districts.

Commissioner Steffek asked what the status of the bankruptcy for this district was.

Executive Officer Benoit reported he has heard Cadira is out of the picture and cannot be located and the company had hired the attorney to work with the district. He reported that this district is currently on hold and LAFCO is unsure of its status. This district is still functioning and has tremendous debt.

Chester Robertson reported Modoc Medical Center got a brief coordination meeting but nothing about the status of their operations. The attorney for the district is no longer in contact with the County.

Commissioner Rhoades reported that she has an email from a constituent in District One1, which she read aloud. In that email was the question on whether or not the state can force the county to take over a sinking district.

Executive Officer Benoit responded the state could possibly force this, which has happened in one other county. LAFCo has a limited budget and it is expensive to dissolve a district. A service and fiscal review would need to be conducted.

Commissioner Rhoads asked Chester Robertson if the services are still being provided.

Chester Robertson responded that what he has heard is they have been going through state audits. Services have been available to some, other times no services are available, and several people prefer not to go to that hospital for treatment.

Commissioner Rhoades feels the district would like LAFCo to take immediate action. At this time, she feels there is no action the commission can take since the Board is still in place.

Executive Officer Benoit agreed that it is up to the district's board to dissolve. He also reported that not all healthcare districts offer hospital services.

Commissioner Steffek asked if the district voters could petition LAFCo for dissolution.

Executive Officer Benoit answered yes. It would take 25% of the voters or landowners having 25% of the assessed value. This would have to go to an election. He reported there are two ways to dissolve the district a petition from the Board of Directors to dissolve which is the correct way. Or LAFCo could move forward with a dissolution. If LAFCo were going to dissolve the district, a determination would have to be made if a successor agency needs to take over and continue the services.

Commissioner Steffek was wondering if the Rancherias might want to get involved and coordinate with the community regarding this issue.

Executive Officer explained that successor agencies do not need to be government it can also be private entities. He would like to continue discussing the SVHCD and keep it on the agenda at future meetings.

12. Biennial Conflict of Interest Review

Executive Officer Benoit went over the Conflict of Interest Code and discussed wanting to change the wording. He would like to hold a public hearing and adopt the updated conflict code at the next meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Rhoades to review the memo and authorize the chair to sign and transmit the 2018 Biennial Conflict Code of Interest form to the County Clerk. Seconded by Commissioner Steffek. In favor were Commissioners Irvin, Rhoades, and Steffek.

Motion Passed Unanimous.

13. Designate John Benoit to represent Modoc LAFCo to vote matters at the CALAFCo annual conference on October 3-5, 2018.

Motion by Commissioner Steffek to authorized John Benoit to vote on matters at the CALAFCo Conference October 3-5, 2018. Seconded by Commissioner Rhoades. In favor were Commissioners Irvin, Rhoades, and Steffek.

Motion Passed Unanimous.

14. Review Draft Lassen Modoc Flood Control and Water Conservation District [LMCFCWCD – Service Review (MSR) and Sphere of Influence (SOI).]

Executive Officer Benoit presented a draft report to the Commission. He reported there are going to be changes, which include the number of people on the board. This has changed from nine (9) to ten (10). There are several legal questions on how to dissolve the district should the board decide to move forward with that. Prior to dissolution happening a legal opinion should be obtained. This is not a critical basin and the district only manages zone 2A. This district has been off and on active. Executive Officer Benoit reported he received minutes from meetings, which he did not realize existed. There is a possibility the map is wrong so the legal descriptions will need to be reviewed. He is going to work on a few changes and do some research.

15. Executive Officer's Report:

Executive Director Benoit would like to schedule a general discussion on LAFCo once a new public member is elected. He would like to discuss what the commission does with an MSR, how these help the commission take action, learn what to do with the reports and focus on what the Commission would like to get out of the review.

16. Commissioner's Reports – Discussion

Commissioner Steffek is a new member of the LAFCo Commission and introduced himself.

17. Adjourn to next regular meeting – October 9, 2018

There being no further business to come before the Commission. The meeting adjourned at 5:07PM.

Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission

CLAIMS

for

August and September 2018

Ratify the following Claims for FY 2018-2019

Aug 1, 2018	Staff Services Aug 2018	\$ 3,619.90
Aug 1, 2018	Notice Public Member Recruitment	\$ 96.00
Aug 14, 2018	Commission Stipend Aug 14, 2018	\$ 300.00
Oct 1, 2018	Staff Svcs Sept 2018	\$ 3,272.35
Oct 1, 2018	Notice for Conflict of Interest code	\$ 51.00
	TOTAL:	\$ 7,339.25

DATED: October 9, 2018

APPROVED: October 9, 2018

Jim Irvin, Chair or Geri Byrne, Vice-Chair
Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission

Attest:

John Benoit
Executive Officer

Modoc LAFCo
Expenditures and Revenue
FY 2018-2019

Item	Account Number	File Scanning	Memberships	copies	postage	Communications	Office Exp.	Counsel	staff Svcs	Clerk Costs
		mrgnt	4420	4210	4211	4221	4210	4008	4004	4006
Total Budgeted 2018-2019		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 926.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 720.00
Calafco Dues 2018-2019		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
to Staff Svcs July 2018			(925.00)	(10.00)	(0.60)	(105.60)			(2,295.00)	(120.00)
to Staff Svcs August 2018				(45.40)	(13.38)	(73.62)			(3,367.50)	
Modoc Record Public Member notice										
Comm Stipend Aug 14, 2018										
Modoc Record Conflict of Interest code notice										
Staff Svcs September 2018				(10.00)	(0.70)	(74.15)				

Total Expenditures to date		\$	\$ (925.00)	\$ (65.40)	\$ (14.58)	\$ (263.37)	\$ 400.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (6,860.00)	\$ (120.00)
Total Budget Remaining		\$	\$ 1.00	\$ 734.60	\$ 285.42	\$ 746.63	\$	\$	\$ 27,150.00	\$ 600.00

unaudited	July 1, 2018 City Fund Carryover	\$							\$ 21,335.45	
18-19 Actual City/Co Contributions		\$					\$ 22,142.19			
FY 2018-2019 City Anticipated FundsTransf										
2018-2019 County City Funds anticipated									\$ 44,750.60	
Funds received										
REVENUE FOR PROJECTS										
Interest										
Anticipated Funds received										
Less Expenditures										\$ (10,675.36)
Actual Cash Balance										\$ 10,660.10

Modoc LAFCo
Expenditures and Revenue
FY 2018-2019

	Notices and Public 4380	Trans & Travel 4430	MSR/SOI Updates 4454	Commissioner Salaries 4003	TOTAL	Contingency
\$	600.00	500.00	10,500.00	4,800.00	61,546.00	4922
					(925.00)	6,164.80
					(2,411.10)	(4,822.20)
\$	(96.00)				(96.00)	
\$	(51.00)			(300.00)	(300.00)	(4,015.90)
					(51.00)	
					(3,272.35)	(3,323.35)

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\$	(147.00)					
\$	453.00	500.00	10,500.00	(300.00)	60,870.65	(10,675.35)
				4,500.00		
						(10,675.35)

Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission, COUNTY OF MODOC
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
October 9, 2018

RESOLUTION NO.2018-0004 **RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE AND APPENDIX OF DESIGNATED POSITIONS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Political Reform Act (Govt. Code § 81000, *et seq.*), the **Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)** is required to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code and Appendix of designated positions; and

WHEREAS, biennial review of the Appendix to the Conflict of Interest Code is required by state law and changes to the designated positions and disclosure categories and thereafter adopt necessary amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conflict of Interest Code (Exhibit A) and list of designated positions and disclosure categories as set forth in the Appendix to the Conflict of Interest Code attached hereto is hereby adopted.

ON A MOTION by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted by the **Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)** of the County of Modoc, State of California this 9th day of October 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Jim Irvin, Chair
Modoc LAFCo

ATTEST:

John Benoit, Executive Officer

EXHIBIT A

MODOC LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCo)

CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE

The Political Reform Act (Government Code Section 81000, et seq.) requires state and local government agencies to adopt and promulgate conflict-of-interest codes. The Fair Political Practices Commission has adopted a regulation (2 California Code of Regulations Section 18730) that contains the terms of a standard conflict-of-interest code, which can be incorporated by reference in an agency's code. After public notice and hearing, the standard code may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act. Therefore, the terms of 2 California Code of Regulations Section 18730 and any amendments to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference. This regulation and the attached Appendices, designating positions and establishing disclosure categories, shall constitute the conflict-of-interest code of the **Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission**

Individuals holding designated positions shall file their statements of economic interests with the **Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission's Executive Officer**, which will make the statements available for public inspection and reproduction. (Gov. Code Sec. 81008.) All statements will be retained by the **Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission**.

CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE (Modoc LAFCo)

APPENDIX A-DESIGNATED POSITIONS

<u>Designated Positions</u>	<u>Disclosure Category</u>
Members of the Commission**	1, 2
Executive Officer	1, 2
Deputy Executive Officer	1, 2
LAFCo Counsel	1, 2
Consultants*	*

*Consultants shall be included in the list of designated positions and shall disclose pursuant to the broadest disclosure category in the code subject to the following limitation:

The Executive Officer may determine in writing that a particular consultant, although a “designated position,” is hired to perform a range of duties that is limited in scope and thus is not required to fully comply with the disclosure requirements in this section. Such written determination shall include a description of the consultant’s duties and, based upon that description, a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements. The Executive Officer’s determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this conflict-of-interest code (Gov. Code Section 81008).

CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE (Modoc LAFCo)

APPENDIX B-DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

Disclosure Category 1

Designated positions assigned to this category shall report:

Interests in real property located within or not more than two miles outside the boundaries of LAFCo's jurisdiction or within two miles of the County Boundary.

Persons shall not be required to disclose property used primarily as their residence or for personal recreational purposes.

Disclosure Category 2

Designated positions assigned to this category shall report:

Investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including loans, gifts, and travel payments, from sources of the type that provide services, supplies, materials, machinery, or equipment to LAFCo. Such sources include but are not limited to architects, engineering and construction firms.

Lassen Local Agency Formation Commission

Item #11

MEMORANDUM

October 15, 2018

TO: LAFCo Commissioners
FROM: John Benoit, LAFCo Executive Officer
RE: Changes to the LMCFCWCD MSR and SOI since August

Below is a summary of the changes made to the MSR and SOI document since the August 2018 meeting

1. Chapter 1 was entirely re-written to better explain the role of LAFCo, what LAFCo does and the requirements of a Service Review and Sphere of Influence.
2. Definition of Districts and the Reason why the LMCFCWCD is subject to LAFCo's jurisdiction
3. The budget was adopted in a timely manner. As a dependent district the adoption date is September 1st of each year. This year the budget was adopted in June.
4. A public hearing for a change of organization is required by LAFCo as well as a request for a new or different service (latent powers).
5. Lassen County staff is not paid for its services in the management of this district.
6. The only function of the district at this time is to manage the two zones for groundwater monitoring and the district is not used for its intended purpose.
7. Prior to any change of organization, the district should conduct a public hearing (preferably in or near the Zone 2 and 2A area) to receive any input before any action is taken.
8. There is a concern the district's map is not accurate. The district should review the map and the enabling legislation and make a determination that the boundary is true and correct, otherwise the district needs to make the appropriate changes to the district map.

PART I. GENERAL

CHAPTER 1. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND DECLARATIONS

Title 56000. This division shall be known and may be cited as the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000.

LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND DECLARATIONS; STATE INTERESTS:

56001. The Legislature finds and declares that it is the policy of the state to encourage orderly growth and development which are essential to the social, fiscal, and economic well-being of the state. The Legislature recognizes that the logical formation and determination of local agency boundaries is an important factor in promoting orderly development and in balancing that development with sometimes competing state interests of discouraging urban sprawl, preserving open-space and prime agricultural lands, and efficiently extending government services. The Legislature also recognizes that providing housing for persons and families of all incomes is an important factor in promoting orderly development. Therefore, the Legislature further finds and declares that this policy should be effected by the logical formation and modification of the boundaries of local agencies, with a preference granted to accommodating additional growth within, or through the expansion of, the boundaries of those local agencies which can best accommodate and provide necessary governmental services and housing for persons and families of all incomes in the most efficient manner feasible.

The Legislature recognizes that urban population densities and intensive residential, commercial, and industrial development necessitate a broad spectrum and high level of community services and controls. The Legislature also recognizes that when areas become urbanized to the extent that they need the full range of community services, priorities are required to be established regarding the type

and levels of services that the residents of an urban community need and desire; that community service priorities be established by weighing the total community service needs against the total financial resources available for securing community services; and that those community service priorities are required to reflect local circumstances, conditions and limited financial resources. The Legislature finds and declares that a single multipurpose governmental agency is accountable for community service needs and financial resources and, therefore, may be the best mechanism for establishing community service priorities especially in urban areas. Nonetheless, the Legislature recognizes the critical role of many limited purpose agencies, especially in rural communities. The Legislature also finds that, whether governmental services are proposed to be provided by a single-purpose agency, several agencies, or a multipurpose agency, responsibility should be given to the agency or agencies that can best provide government services.

2018 ETHICS TRAINING

MODOC LAFCO

Ethics Training (AB 1234) designed for Special District and Local Government Boards and Staff within Modoc County

WHEN: Friday, November 9th , 2018: 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM

WHERE: Veterans Hall at 500 S. Main Street, Alturas CA

COST: This training is sponsored by Best Best and Krieger, LLP and Modoc LAFCO with the Modoc County Clerk to the Board of Supervisors, Tiffany Martinez and Stephanie Wellemeyer, clerk/auditor at no cost to local agencies.

It is the goal of the Modoc Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to sponsor training for special districts and agencies within Modoc County.

The session will cover the Brown Act, the Public Records Act, conflicts of interest, and general ethics principles, and will satisfy your AB 1234 training requirements for this year. Josh Nelson of Best Best and Kreiger will be providing the training.

There is no need to RSVP. We will look forward to seeing you. Certificates will be mailed after the training for those that attend. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to email John Benoit, LAFCo Executive Officer at j.benoit4@icloud.com

Please see the attached Memo from Josh Nelson of Best Best and Krieger, LLP for more information.

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TO: MODOC COUNTY PUBLIC AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS
FROM: BEST BEST & KRIEGER LLP
RE: AB 1234 MANDATORY ETHICS TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Local elected officials and some public agency employees in California are required to receive at least two hours of training, every two years, in general ethics principles and ethics laws relevant to their public service. (This is sometimes known as AB 1234 training.) For most affected officials and employees, 2018 is a year in which this training is required.

Although this training can be completed online, we have found that receiving the training from a live presenter is helpful, because it allows officials and employees to ask questions and hear the questions and experiences shared by other people. Because we recognize the financial strains currently affecting many public agencies, we would like to invite the officials and employees from every public agency in Modoc County to attend a completely free ethics training session, to be conducted on Friday, November 9th, 2018. The training session will be conducted at the Veterans Hall 500 S. Main St, Alturas, CA from 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM. The session will cover the Brown Act, the Public Records Act, conflicts of interest, and general ethics principles, and will satisfy your training requirements for this year. Along with the training, we will also provide certificates of participation, all free of charge.

Our firm acts as city attorneys for more than 40 cities in California, general counsel or special counsel for more than 60 special districts, and we have conducted dozens of ethics training sessions, so we should be able to answer most questions you have during the training session.

This training is being offered jointly by Modoc LAFCo, and by our firm. No RSVP is necessary. You may also contact me at (916) 325-4000 with any questions, and we will look forward to seeing you.

Josh Nelson
for BEST BEST & KRIEGER LLP
Public Policy & Ethics Group