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An update from your Special District Representatives on OC LAFCo



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Dear Honorable Special District Members: During the past quarter, the [Orange County Local Agency Formation Commission](#) (OC LAFCo, the Commission) held meetings on [August 12](#), [September 9](#), and [October 14, 2026](#). The Commission's recent items relevant to special districts are summarized below.

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, November 18, 2026, starting at 8:15 a.m.

County Administration North (CAN), First Floor Multipurpose Room 101, 400 W. Civic Center Drive, Santa Ana, CA 92701

RECENT COMMISSION ITEMS

- [Municipal Service Reviews \(MSRs\) Status](#) – The North Region MSR, covering five cities and the Placentia Library District and Yorba Linda Water District, has been completed and has been presented to the Commission. Work has also begun on the Coastal Region MSR, which includes five cities and eight special districts.
- [Santa Margarita Water District Annexation of San Juan Capistrano's Water and Wastewater Utilities](#) – Santa Margarita Water District, which serves about 210,000 south Orange County residents, presented its water supply projects at Lake Mission Viejo, Middle San Juan Creek, and Oso Creek to the Orange County LAFCo in September 2026. It also highlighted more than \$30 million invested since 2021 to upgrade San Juan Capistrano's water system and improve fire readiness.
- [Orange County Water and Wastewater Service Providers](#) – At the June Commission meeting, Commissioners asked staff to report back on the agencies providing water services in Orange County. In response, staff compiled profiles of the cities, special districts, regional agencies, and private providers offering water and wastewater services, covering each one's service area, governance structure, services, and role.
- [OC LAFCo Post-Municipal Service Review Survey](#) – As part of its goal to improve the Municipal Service Review process, OC LAFCo surveyed the North MSR Region agencies (Brea, Fullerton, La Habra, Placentia, Yorba Linda, the Placentia Library District, and the Yorba Linda Water District) after their MSR was completed in August 2026. The agencies responded positively, reporting advance notice, sufficient communication, and a smooth, collaborative process, with one suggestion to make the Law Enforcement section more consistent.

RESOURCES AND UPCOMING DATES

- [OC LAFCo on YouTube](#) – Commission Meeting livestreams and archived meetings can be accessed at: youtube.com/@OrangeCountyLAFCo/streams
- [ISDOC Quarterly Meeting Schedule](#) – The Independent Special Districts of Orange County (ISDOC) will hold a quarterly meeting on October 29, 2026. Additional information is available at their website.
- [OC LAFCo 2026 Calendar](#) lists meetings and office closures.



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2026 MEETING AND EVENTS CALENDAR

Approved November 12, 2025

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 OC LAFCO Regular Meeting (*begins at 8:15 a.m.*)
Location: County Administrative North, First Floor
Multipurpose Room 101, 400 W. Civic Center Dr.,
Santa Ana, CA 92701.

 No scheduled regular meeting due to legal holiday.

 April 8, 2026 Regular Meeting Cancelled.
July 8, 2026 Regular Meeting Cancelled.

 Office closure due to legal holidays and flexible work schedule.

 2026 CALAFCO Annual Conference - October 21-23, Sacramento, CA.