

# The Special Districts Dialogue

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Honorable Special District Members, the [Orange County Local Agency Formation Commission](#) (OC LAFCO, the Commission) held in-person meetings on [November 10, 2021](#), [January 12 and February 9, 2022](#). The next meeting is March 9 at 8:15 a.m. at the Orange County Hall of Administration, Planning Commission Hearing Room, located at 333 W. Santa Ana Boulevard in Santa Ana. Recent OC LAFCO items relevant to Orange County's independent special districts include:

- **4<sup>th</sup> Cycle MSRs** – MSR updates starting by June 30, 2022, include: Buena Park Library District; Capistrano Bay, Emerald Bay, and Three Arch Bay community services districts; El Toro, Moulton Niguel, and South Coast water districts; Midway City Sanitary District; and, OC Cemetery District.
- **Capistrano Bay Community Services District Latent Powers Activation** – This district is seeking to provide flood control protection to its ratepayers experiencing shoreline erosion.
- **Expiring Terms** – The terms for [Commissioners](#) Davert and Freshley expire June 30, 2022; and, nomination materials for these seats will be sent to Orange County's special districts on March 14.
- **Officers (re)Elections; New Appointee** – Commissioners Davert and Wagner were re-elected Chair and Vice Chair respectively; and, Supervisor Do was appointed to the County Alternate seat.
- **Strategic Planning Workshop** – OC LAFCO's 2022 Strategic Planning Workshop is rescheduled to Wednesday, June 8, at 8:15 a.m. Final results of the Commission's 2021 Strategic Planning Workshop last fall included adopting its Mission Statement -- *OC LAFCO serves Orange County cities, special districts, and the county to ensure effective and efficient delivery of municipal services* -- and approving three goals for the 2021-2024 timeframe, along with 6-month strategic objectives for November 2021-March 2022.
- **"The Pulse"** – In January, OC LAFCO launched [The Pulse](#) biannual newsletter; next issue in July.

## **OC LAFCO Info to Know – Acronym of the Quarter: "MSR"**

- MSR stands for [Municipal Service Review](#) – A comprehensive study, updated every five years, reviewing: growth, services' adequacy/capacity, financial abilities for services provision, [shared services](#) opportunities, accountability/transparency, operational efficiency, governance structure, and more.