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**New LAFCO Executive Officer Appointed
Laura Snideman Is Half Moon Bay City Manager**

(NAPA, Calif--) Laura Snideman, current city manager of Half Moon Bay, Calif., has been named executive officer of the Napa County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), Chair Brian Kelly has announced. The Commission made the appointment at its special meeting today. Snideman's first day will be Tuesday, March 25.

LAFCO is responsible for managing local government boundaries, evaluating municipal services and protecting agricultural lands in Napa County.

"Laura Snideman brings a wealth of knowledge to the position," Kelly said, "She has considerable public sector planning experience, including developing General and Specific Plans, permit processing and environmental review. We are confident she will help guide us through planning current and future planning and sphere of influence issues."

Snideman has served as the city manager of Half Moon Bay since 2010 and before that was an administrative officer for the City. She also worked as director of economic development and housing for the City of San Carlos and economic development manager for the City of San Mateo.

"I grew up in St. Helena and my parents now live in Napa. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the community where I was raised, and to bring to the table my passion for working with a variety of stakeholders, understanding and sharing diverse perspectives, and building consensus on difficult issues," Snideman said.

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Peter Banning
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Former Marin County LAFCO executive officer Peter Banning has been performing the Napa County duties on an interim basis since September 2013, when Keene Simonds resigned.

“We thank Mr. Banning for his generous and timely service, which allowed us to conduct a measured and thoughtful search for an executive officer, knowing the Agency was in good hands,” Kelly said.

Snideman received her B.A. from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and a Masters in Public Administration from Notre Dame de Namur University, Belmont. She recently completed the Berkeley Executive Seminar at the UC- Berkeley Goldman School of Public Policy.

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