



Local Agency Formation Commission of Napa County
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Agenda Item 9e (Action)

TO: Local Agency Formation Commission

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MEETING DATE: February 2, 2026

SUBJECT: Consider Ad Hoc Subcommittee Appointments

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Commission consider the membership of, and make appointments as appropriate to, the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget Committee, Legislative Committee, Policy Committee, and Islands Committee.

SUMMARY

The Commission will consider the membership and make appointments to four ad hoc subcommittees. A summary of the subcommittees and recommended actions follows.

Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget Committee

The Commission establishes an ad hoc Budget Committee each year to advise the Executive Officer in preparing a budget for review and adoption by the Commission. The Budget Committee is also tasked with considering the Commission's fee schedule and work program. The Budget Committee automatically terminates with the adoption of a final budget. For reference, Commissioners Leary and Painter served on last year's Budget Committee. Staff recommends the Commission appoint two members to the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget Committee.

Legislative Committee

The Commission establishes an ad hoc Legislative Committee each year to advise the Executive Officer in the review of proposed legislation related to LAFCOs and making recommendations to the full Commission to take positions on pertinent bills. The Legislative Committee automatically terminates at the end of the calendar year. For reference, Commissioners Cottrell and Kahn served on the Legislative Committee for calendar year 2025. Staff recommends the Commission appoint two members to the Legislative Committee for calendar year 2026.

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Policy Committee

The Commission previously established an ad hoc Policy Committee to advise the Executive Officer in drafting amendments to local policies that will be presented to the full Commission. Commissioners Gallagher and Ramos currently serve on the Policy Committee. Staff recommends the Commission consider the current membership of the Policy Committee and take any desired actions with respect to appointing members. No action is required to retain the current membership.

Islands Committee

The Commission previously established an ad hoc Islands Committee to advise the Executive Officer in potential activities related to unincorporated islands. Commissioners Painter and Ramos currently serve on the Islands Committee. An update from the Islands Committee is provided as item 7k on today's agenda. Given that the Islands Committee has completed its task as directed by the Commission, the Islands Committee shall be disbanded unless the Commission indicates otherwise. Should the Commission desire to retain the Islands Committee, staff recommends the Commission either indicate that the current membership shall be retained, or formally appoint two members as part of this item.