

## **STAFF REPORT**

**To:** Coastside County Water District Board of Directors

**From:** Mary Rogren, General Manager

**Agenda:** May 12, 2026

**Report Date:** May 8, 2026

**Agenda Title:** Selection of Regular Special District Member to San Mateo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) for Term Ending May 2030.

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### **Recommendation/Motion:**

Select a candidate and authorize the District's Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) Board Representative (President Feldman) to cast the District vote for the Regular Special District Member for the term ending May 2030.

### **Background:**

Created by the California Legislature in 1963, LAFCo is a state-mandated, independent commission with countywide jurisdiction over changes in organizations and boundaries of cities and Special Districts including annexations, detachments, incorporations, and formations. As required by State law, LAFCo adopts a net operating budget, which is apportioned in thirds to the County of San Mateo, the 20 Cities in the County, and 21 of the 22 independent Special Districts.

The LAFCo Commission is made up of two members of the County Board of Supervisors, two members of city councils from cities in the County, two board members of independent Special Districts in the county, a public member, and four alternate members (County, city, Special District, and public). One regular Special District Member seat is up for election. The District may vote for one candidate. Upon the Board's selection, staff will complete the ballot for President Feldman's signature and submit the ballot.

All votes for Regular Special District Member are due by 5:00 p.m. on June 1, 2026.

### **Attachments:**

- A. Kati Martin, San Mateo County Mosquito & Vector Control District Candidate Statement

- B. Katheryn Slater-Carter, Montara Water & Sanitary District Candidate Statement
- C. Selection of Regular Special District Member Ballot

Candidate Statement for Kati Martin

Greetings

My name is Kati Martin, and I am currently one of your two Special Districts representatives to the San Mateo County LAFCo board. I am running to retain the position. I've had both the honor and pleasure of serving on the Board for the last 6 years, 2 years as an alternate and 4 as a commissioner. I am also a board member of the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District where I have served as Secretary, Vice-President and President over 13 years. Before that appointment, I served on 5 San Mateo County Civil Grand Juries. In a previous life, I was an Insurance defense lawyer.

I am a strong supporter of special districts recognizing their importance in our county. The governance structure provided by independent special districts allow our citizens to control essential services and resources, such as water, fire, vector abatement and open space management. That independence allows their management to sculpt what works for their district. Not just a one-size-fits-all approach that often comes with county or state governance.

As you know, LAFCo regularly reviews the operations of independent and dependent special districts to help guarantee that management is providing the promise they made to serve our citizens. Having been involved in numerous Municipal Service Reviews and interacting with board members as part of that process, I've learned to listen to their perspective. To hear their stories. To believe in the collaborative process that works for the benefit of everyone. After all, you are the people who know and run the district best.

I am available to meet with your board if you wish, and/or hope you will share this letter with your board members. My contact information is at the bottom.

I would appreciate your consideration and ultimately your vote.

Thank you

Kati Martin

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Candidate Statement for Kathryn Slater-Carter

Kathryn Slater-Carter  
Vice President & Secretary, Montara Water & Sanitary District Board  
Commissioner, San Mateo County Harbor Board  
Chair, Sewer Authority Midcoastside  
Special District Alternate, San Mateo County LAFCO  
Director, CA Special District Association

Please vote for me. I am honored to be nominated as a candidate for San Mateo County LAFCO by Montara Water and Sanitary District for a Special District Regular Member seat on our LAFCO. Currently, I serve as the special districts alternate for our LAFCO Commission and have the privilege of serving on two independent special district boards--the Montara Water & Sanitary District Board and the San Mateo County Harbor Board.

I have been an advocate for special districts for 30 years, including having San Mateo County special districts be included on our LAFCO board. With 21 independent special districts, we must have an independent voice on our LAFCO commission. I will bring that independent voice.

I also serve on the state board of the California Special Districts Association where my advocacy work includes keeping our local resources and funding in our local communities. As a CSDA board member, I have also worked with the California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions (CALAFCO) to help special district board members learn about and understand the importance of LAFCO to special districts.

I am asking for your support to be an independent voice on our LAFCO commission as a special district representative.

Please feel free to reach out to me at (650) 346-5255 or at [kathryn@mwsd.net](mailto:kathryn@mwsd.net).

**BALLOT – Issued April 29, 2026**

**For Selection of Regular Special District Member  
To San Mateo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) For Term Ending May 2030**

**Independent Special District Selection Committee**

Candidates: **Kati Martin, San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District**  
(Nominated by Ron Collins, President, San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District)

**Katheryn Slater-Carter, Montara Water and Sanitary District**  
(Nominated by Scott Boyd, President, Montara Water and Sanitary District)

**FILL IN THE FOLLOWING TABLE. VOTE FOR ONE ONLY**

Candidate Name:	Vote Cast by: (Name of Voter and Name of District)

I am either the President of the Board listed below **OR** my Board appointed me as alternate to vote on the Independent Special District Selection Committee.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Special District: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return by: June 1, 2026**

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