



# County of Santa Cruz

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### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Dear Local Agency Formation Commission of Santa Cruz County,

On July 16<sup>th</sup>, Environmental Health staff members Troy Boone and Nathan Salazar hosted a Small Water System's Forum meeting featuring newly appointed LAFCO Executive Director, Joe Serrano. The meeting was well attended and quite a success! The Small Water System's Forum meets to serve the regulatory, technical, managerial, and community needs of local small water systems.

The meeting opened up with introductions and announcements, including information about the upcoming Mid-County Groundwater Agency's open house, regulatory updates, and looming deadlines. This initiated an in-depth group discussion, including the summary of one member's experience serving on the Mid-County GA's Advisory Committee.

Afterward, Joe Serrano gave his very informative, dynamic, and engaging presentation about Santa Cruz LAFCO – especially how it relates to small water systems. For a view of the presentation please see: [https://prezi.com/ckjd0qrpalt/lafco-101-presentation/?utm\\_campaign=share&utm\\_medium=copy](https://prezi.com/ckjd0qrpalt/lafco-101-presentation/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy).

Joe's presentation furthered the evening's discussion by covering such topics as LAFCO's mission and services, purview, processes, regulatory matters, and the importance of being up to date with regards to AB 54 and AB 240. In summary, Joe's presentation and Q&A session was one of the most memorable to date.

We greatly appreciate Mr. Serrano sharing his enthusiasm and knowledge with the group.

Sincerely

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