

Achievement Award Nomination Form

NOMINEE - Person or Agency Being Nominated

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

NOMINATION CATEGORY (check one – see category criteria on attached sheet)

- ☐ Outstanding CALAFCO Volunteer
- ☐ Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member
- ☐ Outstanding Commissioner^S
- ☐ Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Mike Gotch Excellence in Public Service (choose one category below)

- ☐ *Protection of agricultural and open space lands and prevention of sprawl*
- ☐ *Innovation, collaboration, outreach and effective support of the evolution and viability of local agencies, promotion of efficient and effective delivery of municipal services*
- ☐ Legislator of the Year (must be approved by the full CALAFCO Board)
- ☐ Lifetime Achievement Award

NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Name: _____

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In no more than 250 words, summarize why this recipient is the most deserving of this award.

NOMINATION SUMMARY

Please indicate the reasons why this person or agency deserves to be recognized (this section must be no more than 1,000 words or 2 pages maximum. Attach 2nd page, if needed.)

The Commissioners also modeled leadership through collaboration and innovation. They worked closely with staff, fire agencies, and the community to ensure reorganization processes were inclusive, fair, and solutions oriented. By encouraging participation and dialogue, they created opportunities for stakeholders to be heard and for local concerns to be addressed. Their ability to balance statutory requirements with sensitivity to local context demonstrates the kind of leadership this award seeks to recognize.

Most importantly, the Commission's leadership produced clear, measurable results. The reorganizations they supported did not merely alter boundaries on paper—they delivered tangible improvements in fire protection services for residents of Plumas County. The elimination of districts unable to sustain themselves allowed resources to be consolidated, service gaps to be closed, and efficiencies to be realized. Communities today are better served and safer because the Commissioners collectively chose to act.

While each Commissioner made individual contributions, it was their collective dedication that made these successes possible. Each member of the Plumas LAFCO Commission remained engaged throughout long and sometimes difficult processes. Their persistence ensured that service reorganizations were not abandoned mid-course but carried through to successful adoption and implementation. This unity of purpose, combined with their willingness to dedicate time beyond normal duties, reflects extraordinary service to their county and sets an example for other LAFCOs statewide.

The nomination criteria require proven leadership, consistent independent judgment, collaborative and innovative solutions, and effective outcomes. The Plumas Commission meets and exceeds all of these requirements. Their leadership extended beyond the minimum statutory duties, directly addressing service deficiencies and delivering improvements that will have lasting positive impacts. Their work has reinforced public trust in LAFCO's role as a problem-solver and demonstrated how Commissioners, acting in the public's interest, can deliver solutions to some of the most difficult challenges in local governance.

In summary, the Plumas LAFCO Commission exemplifies extraordinary service through its collective leadership, innovative problem-solving, and commitment to the greater good. By initiating and supporting three major fire service reorganizations—two of which resulted in the dissolution of non-functioning districts—the Commissioners demonstrated the courage to make difficult decisions, the dedication to remain engaged through long and complex processes, and the foresight to prioritize long-term community benefit over short-term ease. The result is stronger, more reliable fire protection services for the people of Plumas County.

For these reasons, the Plumas LAFCO Commission is deserving of recognition as **Outstanding Commissioners**. Their example illustrates the impact that committed, collaborative leadership can achieve and serves as a model for LAFCOs across California.