San Luis Obispo LAFCO

Interagency Relationships, MOAs, and Understanding each other better

Memorandum of Agreement 56425 (b)

- CKH calls for a City-County to meet:
  - Discuss proposed new boundaries of SOI
  - Explore methods to reach agreement on development standards and zoning
- Adopted MOA’s in 6 of 7 Cities
- Purpose:
  - Agreement on the SOI boundary
  - Recognizes need to coordinate and communicate
  - Uses both City and County General Plans
  - Requires interagency coordination
  - Formalizes referral process
MOA Process

**Step 1: Information Meeting**
Scoping out issues - LAFCO Staff

**Step 2: Draft MOA**
LAFCO Staff prepares Draft MOA

**Step 3: Meet and Discuss**
SOI Boundary – MOA Terms

**Step 4: Revise MOA**
Meet, Confer, Revise

**Step 5: City/County Approval**

Process: Tips and Helps

- Set an agenda for each meeting
- Be persistent and patient
- Seek First to Understand...
- Get over yourself and out of the way
- Build trust - look for areas of agreement
- Honor sovereignty of each jurisdiction
- Go as far as the jurisdictions are willing to go
City of Pismo Beach - County
Draft MOA

- Clarifies intentions of the City and County
- MOA has terms that address Phasing
- Water supply is addressed
- Project impacts can only be mitigated using other jurisdictions services
- Fair distribution of mitigation/impact fees
- Calls for use of guiding principles for development
City of San Luis Obispo - County MOA

- Clarifies that City and County can process land use applications separately
- Does not impede or slow down existing process
- Project impacts can only be mitigated using other jurisdictions services with written documentation
- Fair distribution of mitigation/impact fees
- Calls for a meeting between Emergency Response agencies to discuss impacts and fiscal issues
- Prior city review of projects submitted to County-written documentation that City will not consider annexing the project
- Calls for coordination of Ag and open space policies
City of Atascadero - County MOA

- Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the City and County has been approved
- Approved by the City June 24th and County on August 12th
- Agrees to Sphere Boundary, Specific Plan preparation for Eagle Ranch area
- LAFCO required to give agreement “great weight” to the MOA
City of Morro Bay-County MOA

- Issues addressed through the MOA:
  - Expanded referral area: over 23,000+ acres
  - Chevron-Texaco Properties: Joint Action Plan
  - Highway 41 corridor area: clarify process, City and County agree that prime AG shall be preserved
  - Public Facility lots owned by City included in SOI
  - Permitting of dredging of the area near the State Parks Marina: City and County Roles
  - Smart Growth principals be applied to projects
1981 Sphere of Influence

- 21,800 acres
- Based on watershed boundaries
- Includes agricultural lands/prime ag lands
- All zoned agriculture
- Unlikely the City would serve this large of an area