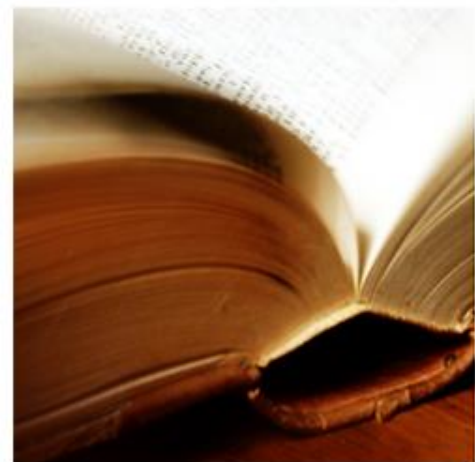


2020 Legislative Platform


COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS


December 17, 2019



Federal Accomplishments & Updates

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- Enactment of budget agreement in August that ensured continuity of operations and prevented a ten-percent across the board cut in Federal funding.
 - \$4.7 million for Santa Monica Debris Basin through support for County Public Works Agency advocacy at the Natural Resources Conservation Service.
 - Payments in Lieu of Taxes funding to the County of \$1.9 million.
 - HUD funding to the County of \$1.2 million from the Community Development Block Grant program, \$1.17 million from the HOME Investment Program, and \$2 million in Continuum of Care awards for ongoing projects in the County serving the homeless.
 - Legislation enacted to continue funding for Federally Qualified Health Centers, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, and other safety net programs while Congress finishes up longer-term authorizations at the end of this year.
 - House passage and Senate Committee approval of H.R. 317, the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians Land Affirmation Act, to implement the County's agreement regarding Camp 4, which is also currently pending in National Defense Authorization Act of 2020.

State Accomplishments & Updates

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- *AB 85 Formula* –worked with the Department of Finance and the Administration to withdraw their proposal to change the AB 85 diversion ratio to 75/25 for Article 13 counties.
 - *SETNA Trailer Bill* – We successfully supported SB 96 to improve the State’s outdated 9-1-1.
 - *Housing and Homelessness* – On January 15th, the Governor announced a series of proposals to provide a solution for housing affordability. The proposals included signing an executive order to build affordable housing on excess state lands, \$1.75 billion in new housing. The Governor formed the Homeless and Supportive Housing Advisory Task Force to observe best practices first-hand and receive input from governments and constituents statewide to propose solutions to address the homelessness epidemic.
 - *340B Program* – The Governor’s Executive Order N-01-19 will have a major impact on the five health care centers and three homeless shelter clinics operated by the Public Health Department.
 - *AB 585 (Limon)* - Successfully supported AB 585. The bill also requires present and future oil and gas leases or permit holders to be liable for specified obligations. The bill was signed into law.
 - *AB 1057 (Limon)* - Successfully supported AB 1057, which renames the Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal and authorizes the Oil and Gas Supervisor to require an operator to provide an additional amount of security in an amount not to exceed the reasonable costs of plugging and abandoning all of the operator’s wells or \$30 million. The bill was signed by the Governor.
 - *SB 160 (Jackson)* - Successfully supported SB 160, which requires a county to integrate cultural competence into its emergency plan, upon the next update to its emergency plan, and requires counties to provide a forum for community engagement in geographically diverse locations in order to engage with culturally diverse communities. The bill was signed by the Governor.
 - *SB 551 (Jackson)* - Successfully supported SB 551, which phases in a requirement that oil and gas well operators provide estimates of the cost to plug and abandon wells and decommission attendant oil and gas production facilities. The bill was signed by the Governor.
 - *Emergency Response* - The Governor signed a total of 22 bills to enhance wildfire mitigation, preparedness and response efforts
 - *SB 144 (Mitchell)* – Successfully opposed SB 144 along with CSAC. The bill would eliminate numerous criminal justice fees. The bill is now a two-year bill.

Legislative Platform Development Process

June LPC

- Reviewed timeline

July LPC

- Reviewed Legislative Principles & identify any needed planks

September LPC

- Reviewed all submitted planks

October LPC

- Reviewed Draft 2020 Legislative Platform

November BoS

- Review & comment on DRAFT 2020 Legislative Platform

December BoS

- Possible adoption of 2020 Legislative Platform

2020 Legislative Platform

- **No substantive changes to 2020 Legislative Principles or Platform Planks; Changes were mostly updating information**
- **No additional changes made since the Board reviewed the Draft 2020 Platform last month**

Resolution to Re-establish LPC

- **Approval of the Resolution will re-establish the Legislative Program Committee as a standing Sub-committee of the Board of Supervisors**
- **Membership will remain two supervisors**
- **The purpose of the committee will remain unchanged**
- **Staff support will continue**

Recommended Actions

- **Receive an update from the legislative advocates**
- **Adopt the County's 2020 Legislative Platform**
- **Adopt the Resolution Reestablishing the Legislative Program Committee as a standing subcommittee of the Board**
- **Find that the proposed actions do not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of CEQA**