

## COMPLIANCE WITH POLITICAL EXPENDITURE AND CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

(This form must be completed and submitted with original signatures as part of the LAFCO Application)

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 56700.1 and 57009, effective January 1, 2008, expenditures for political purposes related to a proposal for a change of organization or reorganization, contributions in support of or in opposition to any proposal, and expenditures and contributions for political purposes related to proceedings at the conducting authority (protest) stage of the LAFCO process are subject to reporting and disclosure to the same extent as required for local initiative measures under the Political Reform Act, Government Code Section 81000 et seq., and the regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission implementing that law.

- 1. Any person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly makes an expenditure, independent expenditure or contribution for political purposes, of \$1,000 or more, in the aggregate, in support of, or in opposition to, a change of organization or reorganization submitted to the Commission, is subject to the requirements of the law.
- 2. Any person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly makes an expenditure, independent expenditure, or contribution for political purposes, of \$1,000 or more, in the aggregate, which is related to conducting authority (protest) proceedings for a change of organization or reorganization or in support of or in opposition to those proceedings, is subject to the requirements of the law.
- A public agency which submits a proposal to Sonoma LAFCO, as an applicant, is not subject to this requirement unless that agency makes expenditures or contributions, as those terms are defined in Government Code sections 82015 and 82025 and 2 Cal. Code Regs. Sections 18215 and 18225; if the agency qualifies as a committee under Government Code section 82013, it shall file campaign statements required by Chapter 4 of the Political Reform Act.
- 3. Appropriate forms that meet the requirements of the law and instructions for completing these forms are available from the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC), 428 J Street, Suite 800, Sacramento, CA 95814 or 1-866-ASK-FPPC or www.fppc.ca.gov.
- 4. Completed forms must be filed with the Sonoma LAFCO Executive Officer, meeting deadlines established by the requirements of the FPPC in implementing the Government Code.
- 5. This policy does not impose on the persons subject to it disclosure regulations regarding the names of campaign committees, sources of mass mailings, and source of automated telephone calls under Government Code Sections 84501 et seq. and the regulations of the FPPC implementing those sections.



## Definitions:

"Contribution" shall have the same definition as provided in Government Code §82015, as amended.

"Expenditure" shall have the same definition as provided in Government Code § 82025, as amended.

"**Independent expenditure**" shall have the same definition as provided in Government Code §82031, as amended, except that the term "measure," as used in § 82031 shall be replaced with the term "proposal for change of organization or reorganization."

"**Political purposes**" shall mean for the purpose(s) of: (i) influencing public opinion; (ii) lobbying public officials; (iii) influencing legislative or administrative action as defined in Government Code § 82032; and/or (v) complying with legal requirements and LAFCO rules for the processing of a proposal including, but not limited to and by way of example only, preparation of a comprehensive fiscal analysis for an incorporation (GC § 56800) or documents necessary to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code § 21000 et seq., such as a mitigated negative declaration of environmental impact report.

"**Real Party of Interest**" shall mean a person entitled under the substantive law to enforce the right sued upon and who generally, but not necessarily, benefits from the action's final outcome

## Certification:

By signing below, the applicant, whether individual or corporation, certifies that he or she will abide by the stated disclosure requirements. The applicant further agrees that, should Sonoma LAFCO be required to enforce these requirements against him or her [if an agency is the formal applicant, against the real party/parties in interest], the applicant will reimburse Sonoma LAFCO for all staff costs, legal fees, and litigation expenses incurred in that enforcement process.

Note: (1) A public agency that is an applicant is not required to complete this form; (2) Agent(s) for applicant must sign form; (3) Real Party/Parties in Interest, if different from applicant, must sign form. <u>Use additional sheets, if necessary.</u>

Print Name of Applicant	Applicant Signature	Date
Print Name of Agent, if applicable	Agent Signature	Date
Print Name of Real Party in Interest (if different from Applicant)	Real Party in Interest Signature	Date