

## 2018 Accomplishments

*A Legislation – Reviewed and assessed all of the introduced legislation and worked with the County to determine which legislation fit in the County’s Platform. Below is legislation that the County was successful in:*

- *AB 1775 (Muratsuchi)/ SB 834 (Jackson)* Successfully supported AB 1775 and SB 834, which prohibits the State Lands Commission (SLC) or a local trustee from entering into any new lease authorizing new construction of oil-and-gas-related infrastructure upon tidelands and submerged lands within state waters associated with Pacific Outer Continental Shelf (POCS).
- *AB 3248 (Committee on Judiciary)* Successfully included the Santa Barbara County Department of Child Support Services’ recommended clarifying amendments to AB 3248. The bill establishes parentage and enforcing child support orders by providing better access to the local departments of child support services.
- *SB 588 (Hertzberg)* Successfully opposed SB 588, which did not move out of the Assembly and would have substantially revised the existing state rigs-to-reefs program that allows for the partial removal of oil and gas platforms in state or federal waters.
- *SB 827 (Wiener)* The County successfully opposed SB 827 which would have required the County to grant housing development projects, in key transit corridors, a “bonus” by exempting the project from certain local development requirements such as density, maximum floor area, parking requirements and height restrictions. The bill died in the Senate policy committee.
- *SB 901 (Dodd)* Successfully worked with CSAC and the author’s office to remove any language in the bill that would make a change to inverse condemnation in the bill, and supported the legislation in its final form.
- *SB 914 (Dodd)* Successfully supported SB 914, which expands the tools counties have to plan and deliver infrastructure projects by extending construction manager at-risk (CMAR) authority to other types of infrastructure projects beyond buildings.
- *SB 1090 (Monning)* Successfully supported SB 1090, which requires the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to approve collection of ratepayer funds for previously denied elements of a Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) application related to the retirement of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant.
- *SB 1459 (Cannella)* Successfully supported SB 1459, which establishes a provisional cannabis license that may be issued at the sole discretion of a licensing authority, as specified, until January 1, 2020.

*B State Budget – Analyzed the state budget to ensure maximum funding for the County.*

- *Property Tax Backfill –* The January Budget included only \$23.7 million in backfill to northern counties for lost property taxes resulting from the October 2017 fires, and did not include Southern California because the Thomas Fire began in December of 2017, with massive flooding and mudslides in the County which began in January 2018. We worked closely with the Governor’s Office and the Department of Finance to include the property tax backfill for the County in the May Revision, which contained property tax backfill for Santa Barbara County and other Southern California Counties that were affected by the Thomas Fire. Specifically, we secured \$2.62 million that was added for FY 17-18 and \$5.64 million in property tax backfill for FY 18-19 for the Santa Barbara County.
- *Debris Removal Cost Share Waiver –* The May Revision included \$29.1 million General Fund to waive the local match for only Northern California counties’ costs of debris removal but did not include Southern California counties. The County was successful in receiving the waiver for debris removal that equates to \$3.2 million for the County in the final budget. The total for Southern California was \$5.5 million, which was based on CalOES’ latest estimates.
- *Elimination of the 340B Program: Rejected -* The Governor’s January 2018-19 budget proposal eliminated the use of the 340B Drug Pricing Program in Medi-Cal. The elimination of the program would have directly affected the County because it could reduce revenues in the County’s Public Health Department by \$5 million to \$6 million, effective July 1, 2019. We were successful in the rejection of 340B Program when both houses of the Legislature rejected the Governor’s proposal to discontinue the state’s administration of the federal Medicaid 340B Discount Drug Pricing program.

*C Delegation – Worked directly with the County’s Legislators on legislation that would directly affect the County, including:*

- *AB 1965 (Limon)* Successfully supported AB 1965 by Assemblymember Limon, which creates a local assistance grant program to improve fire prevention in California and ensure that fire prevention activities happen year-round.
- *SB 212 (Jackson)* Successfully supported SB 212, which requires entities that sell drugs or sharps in the state to individually, or with other entities, develop and implement a statewide home-generated drug stewardship plan.
- *SB 821 (Jackson)* Successfully supported SB 821, which allows a county to enter into an agreement to access the contact information of resident accountholders through the records of a public utility or other agencies, for a property address for the sole purpose of enrolling county residents in a county operated public emergency warning system.
- *SB 917 (Jackson)* Supported SB 917, which provides that if loss or damage results from a combination of perils, one of which is a landslide, mudslide, mudflow, or debris flow, an insurer shall provide coverage if an insured peril is the efficient proximate cause of the loss or damage and coverage would otherwise be provided for the insured peril.

*D Other*

- *California Climate Investments Organics Grant Program (Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund) –* Successful in securing \$4,000,000 in grant funds awards to the Santa Barbara County Public Works Department to develop an Anaerobic Digestion Facility at the County-owned and operated Tajiguas Landfill.