

Public Works Officers Department Appointments

Internal Policy Committees

The League has eight policy committees that review legislation and other policy issues. This policy-making process allows the issues facing California cities to be debated and the organization's policy directions to be established. Close to 400 city officials serve on the League's policy committees and add their collective expertise, wisdom and opinions to the policy debate that is the foundation of League policy. The recommendations from the policy committee are forwarded to the League board of directors. The committees meet four times each year, typically in January, March, June and at the annual conference.

The Public Works Officers Department has one appointee to each policy committee. In addition, the Department can submit a letter of support for additional committee members that are appointed by the League's President (Presidential Appointments).

Participation on a policy committee meets one requirement toward being a Department Executive Committee Member.

Deadline: Applications are accepted during the months of September and October of each year.

Policy Committee Descriptions:

Administrative Services: This committee is concerned with election law and administration, insurance and tort reform, open meeting law (the Brown Act), the Public Records Act, the Political Reform Act and other conflict of interest laws, and regulation of smoking and tobacco products.

Community Services: This committee is concerned with issues related to childcare, parks and recreation, libraries, cultural arts and community and human services programs.

Employee Relations: This committee is concerned with the many facets of human resource management, including employee and labor relations, retirement, and workers' compensation issues.

Environmental Quality: This committee is concerned with all aspects of air and water quality, integrated waste management, hazardous materials, coastal issues, noise pollution, and CEQA. In addition, the committee is concerned with the issues related to energy and utilities.

Housing, Community and Economic Development: This committee is concerned with building regulations and code enforcement, community and economic development, urban renewal, housing, planning, zoning, incorporation, annexation and redevelopment.

Public Safety: This committee is concerned with law enforcement, fire and life safety policies including emergency communications, and emergency services including ambulance and disaster preparedness, Indian gaming, and nuisance abatement.

Revenue and Taxation: This committee is concerned with finance administration, taxation reform, revenue needs and revenue sources at the federal, state and local levels.

Transportation, Communication and Public Works: This committee is concerned with issues of transportation funding, construction, public works, telecommunications, and other related areas.

External Committees

California Bicycle Advisory Committee

Formed by Caltrans in 1992, the California Bicycle Advisory Committee (CBAC) is composed of members who represent various California agencies and organizations. The committee provides guidance to Caltrans on bicycle issues. CBAC also reviews and comments on any proposed adoption or experimentation approval related to bicycle issues prior to consideration by the California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTCDC). THE CBAC Chair, or designee, is an ex-officio nonvoting member of the CTCDC while bicycle issues are being discussed. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every other month starting with February. The Bicycle Facilities Unit provides staff support to the committee. For further information, contact the Bicycle Facilities Unit.

The League has one appointment to the committee.

California Traffic Control Devices Committee

This committee is the vehicle by which the Department fulfills its obligation to consult with local agencies and the public, before adopting rules and regulations prescribing uniform standards and specifications for all official traffic control devices used in California. The New Traffic Control Devices Branch, under the Office of Signs, Markings, and External Support, provides the administrative support for the California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTCDC). The committee meets three times a year, and holds three workshops a year.

The League has two delegate (one northern, one southern) and two alternate (one northern, one southern) appointments to the committee.

California Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment

This committee oversees the development and dissemination of the Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment Report. The committee generally meets four times a year, but may meet more or less often as needed.

The League has four appointments to the committee (two northern, two southern).

California Transportation Infrastructure Funding System (CTIFS) External Partners Committee

The purpose of the California Transportation Infrastructure Funding System (CTIFS) Project is to acquire and implement products and/or services which will improve the accuracy, efficiency and transparency of programming, funding, and implementation processes for State and Local transportation projects. CTIFS will provide the Caltrans' Local Assistance, Programming, and Budgets Divisions with the ability to electronically program, authorize, and implement various state and locally administered transportation projects. CTIFS will also provide the capability for projects to be managed during the Programming, Funding, and Final Vouchering processes. In addition, CTIFS will provide Division of Local Assistance with project management tools for

local agency transportation projects. CTIFS will be accessible by internal and external stakeholders.

The League has three appointments to the committee (one northern, one southern, and one rural).

California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission

CUCCAC is a state commission created under the Act (PCC 22010). It consists of fourteen (14) members: thirteen (13) members are appointed by the State Controller and one is a designated member of the Contractors' State License Board. Seven members represent the public sector (counties, cities, school districts, and special districts). Seven members represent the private sector (public works contractors and unions). The Commission members receive no salary, but are eligible for reimbursement of their direct expenses related to the Commission. The Commission is responsible for administration of the Act. The State Controller provides limited staff and other support to the Commission (PCC 22015(a)).

The League has one appointment to the committee.

City/County/State/Federal Cooperative Committee (Transportation Co-op)

Purpose:

1. Main purpose is related to transportation issues: funding, procedural and legislative.
2. Enhance the working relationship between cities, counties, Caltrans and FHWA. This extends to improving communication with the RTPAs. Collaboration is a key method.
3. Improve the application of technology to spread information to cities and counties.

The League has six appointments to the committee (three northern and three southern).

Contractors' State License Board

The Contractors State License Board protects consumers by regulating the construction industry through policies that promote the health, safety and general welfare of the public in matters relating to construction.

This appointment is made by the Governor. However, the League makes recommendations to the Governor when there is a vacancy.

HBP (Federal Bridge Program) Advisory Committee

The Highway Bridge Program (HBP) is authorized by the federal Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA21). The purpose of the Program is to replace or rehabilitate *public highway* bridges over waterways, other topographical barriers, other highways, or railroads when the State and the Federal Highway Administration determine that a bridge is significantly important and is unsafe because of structural deficiencies, physical deterioration, or functional obsolescence. Reimbursable scopes of work include replacement, rehabilitation, painting, scour countermeasure, bridge approach barrier and railing replacement, low water crossing

replacement, and ferry service replacement. Future meetings in 2012 will be held on 6/14, 8/16 and 12/13. All the meetings are from 9:30am to 3:00pm at Sacramento City Hall building, or at Caltrans HQ building if room is not available at City Hall.

The League has two delegate (one northern, one southern) and two alternate (one northern, one southern) appointments to the committee.

Operator Certification and Training Advisory Committee

The Operator Certification and Training Advisory Committee advises the State Water Resources Control Board on issues regarding the certification and training of wastewater facility operators.

The League has one appointment to the committee.

Safe Routes to Schools Program Review Committee

Safe Routes to School is an international movement that has taken hold in communities throughout the United States. The concept is to increase the number of children who walk or bicycle to school by funding projects that remove the barriers that currently prevent them from doing so. Those barriers include lack of infrastructure, unsafe infrastructure, lack of programs that promote walking and bicycling through education/encouragement programs aimed at children, parents, and the community. The SRS Committee meets on an as needed basis.

The League has two appointments to the committee.