



POLICY TITLE: Legislative Advocacy Policy

POLICY NUMBER: 1055

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to guide the Cambria Community Services District (CCSD) Board of Directors and staff in considering legislative or regulatory proposals that are likely to have an impact on the District and to allow for a timely, coordinated response to provide clear direction to District staff with regard to monitoring legislative activity that may impact the District.

Although the expenditure of public funds for the purpose of supporting or opposing a ballot measure or candidate is prohibited, the District is allowed to expend public funds to advocate for or against proposed legislation or regulatory actions which may affect the District.

1055.1 Policy Principles

- Identification of legislative issues related to the District may be based on the following:
 - The District’s Strategic Plan
 - The District’s Long Term Financial Plan/Budget
 - Legislative activity deemed of importance to California Districts as identified through the California Special District Association (CSDA) website and social media/member services emails
 - Legislative activity which would impact the authority, services, and/or powers of the District
 - Other issues that may impact the District
- This policy provides the CCSD General Manager, their designee, or other District representatives the flexibility to bring legislative issues related to the District to the Board’s attention for direction in addressing those issues.

1055.2 Legislative Advocacy Procedures

- When legislative activity has been identified that has the potential to affect the CCSD, the information shall be reported to the General Manager, the Board President, and the Board Vice President, who will evaluate the impact that said activity may have on the CCSD and decide whether further action is needed. District Counsel may be consulted in this decision.
- If further action is determined to be necessary, the legislative activity will be agendaized for the next regularly scheduled Board meeting for discussion and direction by the Board.
- The Board may assign an ad hoc committee to research the pros and cons of the pending legislation for further consideration by and possible direction from the Board.