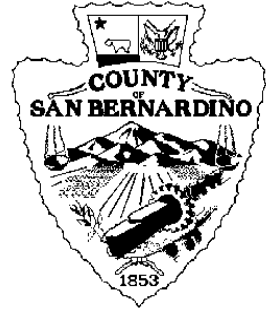


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Supervisor Biane Expands Crest Forest Advisory Council

SAN BERNARDINO – At the urging of San Bernardino County Second District Supervisor Paul Biane, the Board of Supervisors approved adding two members to the five-member Crest Forest Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) on Tuesday.

“The MAC is a local forum where residents can voice their concerns about issues and projects that impact their community,” Biane said. “Additional council members will provide broader community perspectives and sharper insights and will enrich the discussion of community issues.”

In addition to increasing the number of MAC members to seven, the Board of Supervisors also appointed two new members.

The newly appointed MAC members are Joshua Hill of Cedar Pines Park and Derek Leistra of Crestline. Brief bios for both Hill and Leistra are provided at the end of this press release.

The Crest Forest MAC, which was created by the Board of Supervisors in 1976, represents the unincorporated communities of Crestline, Crest Forest, Valley of Enchantment, Cedar Pines Park, and Lake Gregory. The MAC provides the community and the Board of Supervisors with information concerning local needs and desires as well as plans and programs. Advisory Councils are appointed by the Board of Supervisors under the general powers of a Board of Supervisors to appoint necessary advisory bodies.

There is currently one vacancy on the Crest Forest MAC due to the resignation of Pastor William Tell, who recently moved outside the area.

Residents in the area served by the Crest Forest MAC’s who are interested in serving their community as a MAC member can download an application online at www.sbcounty.gov/cob/bcc-application-details.asp. Residents can also call the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at (909) 387-3841 for application information.

The Crest Forest MAC meets on the fourth Thursday of every month except for November and December at the Crestline Sanitation District multi-purpose room. The district office is located at 24516 Lake Dr. in Crestline.

New Crest Forest MAC Member Bios

Joshua Hill

Joshua Hill is currently the principal of alternative programs for Rim of the World Unified School District. His responsibilities include supervision of Mountain High School, Alpine Adult School, and ROWUSD Home and Independent Study. He has lived in Crestline since he was three years old and is a proud product of the mountain communities. He and his wife Crystal, who has lived in Crestline since the summer before her junior year in high school, have four children and chose to make the mountains their home because they recognized it as the best place to raise their children. Josh is actively involved in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and has worked with the Boy Scouts of America in several positions over the past six years. He spends his free time playing with his kids, reading, hiking, playing basketball, and occasionally skateboarding at the Crestline skate park. His interest in serving on the Crest Forest Municipal Advisory Council stems from his desire to give back to his community and help it continue to be a great place to raise a family. He hopes to be able to use his experience as an educator and the father of a young family to provide helpful insight into issues that affect the youth, families, and seasoned mountain residents in the Crestline communities.

Derek Leistra

Derek Leistra is the owner and manager of Lake View Realty in Crestline. After serving 10 years in the United States Navy, Derek returned to college where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing and Management. Upon graduation, he worked in the real estate business before moving into his dream job of baseball management. He was the Vice President and General Manager of the AAA team in Fresno, which is one of the San Francisco Giant's farm teams. When Derek completed 15 years in baseball, he retired and moved to Crestline with his wife, Deborah. The Leistra family has a college-age son. Derek is very active in community service organizations. He is a member of Rotary and serves on the Board of Directors of the California State University San Bernardino Athletic Association. When Derek is not managing his growing business or volunteering his time in his community, he enjoys taking his sailboat out and fishing.

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