



California State Board of Equalization

BOARD WORK GROUP 2025 COUNTY ASSESSOR AND ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD (AAB) ISSUES MEETING

**May Lee State Office Complex Auditorium
651 Bannon Street, Sacramento**

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

AGENDA

10:00 a.m. Board Work Group Meeting Convenes

Call to Order

Roll Call

1. Greetings and Introductory Remarks..... Mr. Vazquez

The purpose of this work group is to gather technical and testimonial data from key leaders, experts, and stakeholders on the administrative issues facing Assessors, Assessment Appeals Board (AABs) and other local agencies in 2025. The ultimate goal is to enable the Board to make findings and issue recommendations as appropriate on issues including determining whether key aspects of the assessment appeals and/or refund processes are causing lengthy delays statewide and attempting to streamline those aspects; addressing technical challenges, including the possible expansion of the use of e-signatures, electronic forms, and submissions for small- and medium-sized counties; and identifying the major administrative burdens on local agencies which are a result of the implementation of Proposition 19.

2. The Assessment Appeals Process: Key Aspects and Administrative Burdens on Local Agencies

Speakers: Jennifer Tran, Deputy Executive Officer,
Assessment Appeals Board, Los Angeles County
Board of Supervisors

[Brenden Vlahakis, Chair](#), Assessment Appeals Subcommittee, California Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Association (CCBSA); and Assistant Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board, Ventura County

Hon. Lawrence E. Stone, Santa Clara County Assessor

Bhavit Madhvani, Deputy County Counsel for Assessment Appeals Board, Santa Clara County

Ann Moore, Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, San Diego County

Brooke Hill, Chief Deputy Assessor, San Diego County Assessor's Office

Hon. John Tuteur, Member, California County Assessor Information Technology Authority (CCAITA), and Napa County Assessor-Recorder-Clerk

[James DePasquale, Chair and President](#), California Alliance of Taxpayer Advocates (CATA)

3. The Property Tax Refund Process: Key Aspects and Administrative Burdens on Local Agencies

Speakers: Bhavit Madhvani, Deputy County Counsel, Assessment Appeals Board, Santa Clara County

Terri Erskin, Chief Appraiser, Assessment and Public Services, Los Angeles County Assessor's Office

Brad Marsh, Co-Managing Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig LLP; and Vice-Chair, CATA

4. Impediments to Incorporating Technology in Small-, Medium-, and Large-Sized Counties

Speakers: Hon. John Tuteur, Member, California County Assessor Information Technology Authority (CCAITA), and Napa County Assessor-Recorder-Clerk

Hon. Howard LaHaie, Humboldt County
Assessor

Paul Waldman, Director, Ryan LLC, and
Member, CATA

5. Proposition 19 Challenges: Administrative Burdens and
Implementation Questions

Base Year Value Transfer Problems

Speakers: Hon. John Tuteur, Member, California County
Assessor Information Technology Authority
(CCAITA), and Napa County Assessor-
Recorder-Clerk

Hon. Howard LaHaie, Humboldt County
Assessor

Cris O'Neill, Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig
LLP, and Member, CATA

Intergenerational Transfer Problems

Speakers: Jarret Stedifor, Assistant Assessor and Linda
Cogburn, Chief Appraiser, Sacramento County
Assessor's Office

Brooke Hill, Chief Deputy Assessor, San Diego
County Assessor's Office

Gary Yamada, Chief Appraiser, Ownership
Division, Los Angeles County Assessor's
Office

Cris O'Neill, Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig
LLP, and Member, CATA

6. Wrap-Up and Next Steps

Summary of testimony and discussion of information received.
Detailed Minutes, Report, and Recommendations to be presented
and discussed at June 18, 2025 Board meeting.

Adjourn Board Work Group