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November-December
2017 Updates

San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Closes First Call for Proposals



The first Request for Proposals (RFP) for the new San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority grant program, created through the voter-approved Measure AA on the June 2016 ballot, closed on November 15, 2017. The grants will fund shoreline projects that will protect and restore the Bay.

The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority is a regional agency with a Governing Board made up of local elected officials. Its purpose is to raise and allocate local resources for the restoration, enhancement, protection, and enjoyment of wetlands and wildlife habitat in San Francisco Bay and along its shoreline, as well as with associated flood management and public access infrastructure.

The Restoration Authority was created by the California Legislature in 2008 to find solutions to the need for new, local funding, due to reduced funding from other sources. After the Authority voted to place Measure AA, the San Francisco Bay Clean Water, Pollution Prevention and Habitat Restoration Measure, on the June 7th, 2016 ballot, residents of the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area voted with a 70 percent majority to pass it. This measure is a \$12 parcel tax, which will raise approximately \$25 million annually, or \$500 million over 20 years.

The RFP for year two grants will be released in Fall 2018. Sign up [here](#) to be kept informed.

More information about the Restoration Authority is available [here](#).

Working Towards the Bay Area Regional Economic Development District

Staff are presenting a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to each County Board of Supervisors and requesting endorsement of the CEDS Vision, Goals and Objectives.

San Francisco and Contra Costa counties have already endorsed the Strategy and meetings are scheduled with Alameda, San Mateo, and Santa Clara county supervisors in December. This work is part of the effort to create a Bay Area Regional Economic Development District (EDD) as designated by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (U.S. EDA).

More information about the draft Bay Area Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Document is available at <https://abag.ca.gov/planning/economic.html>. For additional information about the EDD process, contact Cynthia Kroll, ckroll@bayareametro.gov, or Johnny Jaramillo, jjaramillo@bayareametro.gov.

Draft Regional Resilience Report Now Available for Public Comment



The Bay Area is facing the impacts of climate change and other hazards today, and will face more extreme events in the future.

A new report, *Raising the Bar on Resilience* (November 2017 draft) is a call to action by the Bay Area Regional

Collaborative (BARC) and its member agencies - the Association of Bay Area Governments, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, Bay Conservation and Development Commission and Metropolitan Transportation Commission. The document proposes a comprehensive regional planning process and a new integrated Regional Resilience Plan to prepare the Bay Area for the challenges ahead related to flooding, rising sea levels, climate change impacts, seismic events and other hazards.

This report offers six steps to take towards regional resilience and four case studies (San Rafael, East Palo Alto, Oakland, Hayward). BARC is accepting public comments on the draft report until January 15, 2018.

The report is available [here](#). Send comments to barcadmin@bayareametro.gov.

New Public Art Grant for San Francisco Bay Trail in Redwood City

The City of Redwood City announced the award of a \$25,000 National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) grant to support a new public art installation called the Pirate Ship, located on the San Francisco Bay Trail. The grant award

will support community engagement activities and design planning for the public art installation.

The Pirate Ship was created by artists Ilya and Emilia Kabakov and will be designed as a fully functioning art sculpture and a permanent feature offering an imaginative play space and library space next to the Redwood Shores library branch. The art installation will serve the community at large



Pirate Ship Rendering

by encouraging fantasy, conversation, social interaction, and play. As part of the public art process, the artists will work directly with park designers and the community to fully integrate the structure into the site location.

The NEA grant will be used to support the oversight, youth art competition and the development of the Pirate Ship shade sails. The grant award will be used to support a local effort with school children in Redwood City to illustrate and publish a short story, which will feature local children's drawings.

The Pirate Ship is the first permanent art work of Migrations, a local collaboration between the Bay Trail, Association of Bay Area Governments, City of Redwood City, Redwood City Civic Cultural Commission and Fung Collaboratives. Migrations is a public art initiative to support art along the Bay Trail. The City of Redwood City was the first local government agency to support Migrations within San Mateo County.



Pirate Ship Detail

With the assistance of the NEA grant and following extensive community engagement through design meetings, the Pirate Ship installation is planned to open in 2019.

For more information, visit the San Francisco Bay Trail's website <http://baytrail.org/> or the City of Redwood City's website at www.redwoodcity.org.

Ken Moy's Retirement Recognized

ABAG President Julie Pierce presents Ken Moy with a Resolution recognizing his many contributions as ABAG's Legal Counsel during his 37 years of service at the November 16th Executive Board meeting.

Ken's last day will be January 5, 2018.



Almost Under One Roof - Construction Update

Early next year, the MetroCenter's fifth floor will become the new home of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership and MTC's Information Technology group, both of whom will share the floor with existing tenant Degenkolb Engineers and, eventually, the Bay Conservation and Development Commission. Moving Estuary team members into the fifth floor brings all ABAG-MTC staff under one roof.



Fifth Floor Lobby



Workspaces Here Soon

The fifth floor project reached a major milestone last week when it passed the initial fire and life safety inspection and received a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy. This means furniture will start arriving on Monday, December 11th, and be installed shortly thereafter.

Meeting Calendar December and January

PLAN Special Executive Committee Teleconference

12/6 @ 3:30 p.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Mount Sutro Conference Room (7206), San Francisco

Finance Authority Executive Committee

12/12 @ 10 a.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Farallon Room (8206), San Francisco

Regional Planning Committee

12/6 @ 12 noon, Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Board Room, San Francisco

CASA Technical Committee

12/13 @ 11 a.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Yerba Buena, 1st Floor, San Francisco

ABAG POWER Executive Committee

12/13 @ 11a.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Tamalpais (7102), San Francisco

San Francisco Bay Trail Steering Committee

12/14 @ 9 a.m. Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Tamalpais (7102), San Francisco

Finance Authority Executive Committee

1/3 @ 10:30 a.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Tomales Room (8302), San Francisco

Joint ABAG-MTC Legislation Committee

1/12 @ 10 a.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Board Room, San Francisco

CASA Technical Committee

1/17 @ 11 a.m., Joseph P Bort MetroCenter, 101 Eighth Street, Oakland

ABAG Finance Committee

1/18 @ 5 p.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Board Room, San Francisco

ABAG Executive Board

1/18 @ 7 p.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Board Room, San Francisco

Bay Area Regional Collaborative Governing Board

1/19 @ 10 a.m., Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Board Room, San Francisco

CASA Steering Committee

1/24 @ 12 noon, Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, Yerba Buena, 1st Floor, San Francisco

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More information is available on ABAG's website.

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