

MEMO

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Subject: Bay Area-Wide Trash Capture Demonstration Project

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Executive Summary

The Association of Bay Area Governments (San Francisco Estuary Project) has received a forgivable loan from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for \$5 million in stimulus funding to manage and implement a region-wide demonstration project intended to provide all Bay Area cities that wish to participate with trash capture devices that will retrofit existing storm drain infrastructure. The application was authorized by the Executive Board in Resolution 04-09 adopted on March 19, 2009.

This “Estuary Enhancement Project” implements elements of the San Francisco Estuary’s Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (actions PO-1.8 and AR-9.2), provides incentives for early compliance with the Water Board’s Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit, is consistent with the 2007 Resolution of the California Ocean Protection Council on Reducing and Preventing Marine Debris and the related Implementation Strategy, and will create jobs in the private sector (for device fabricators and installers).

The project has enthusiastic support of the Water Board, the Bay Area Stormwater Management Agencies Association, and numerous local municipalities.

It will be managed by SFEP staff.. ABAG/SFEP will do the purchasing of trash capture devices in order to obtain economies of scale and simplify administration of project funds. The project duration is three years.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the Board approve the attached revised resolution language prescribed by the State Revolving Fund, administered by the Division of Financial Assistance at the State Water Resources Control Board and direct the Executive Director to sign and transmit it to the Division of Financial Assistance.

Attachment: Draft Resolution