

MEMO

Submitted by: Judy Kelly
Director, San Francisco Estuary Partnership

Subject: Authorization to Apply for and Accept a Grant from USEPA's San Francisco Bay Area Water Quality Improvement Fund

Date: March 5, 2012

Executive Summary

In this project, SFEP will coordinate with Oro Loma Sanitary District, Bay Area Dischargers Association and other Wastewater Treatment agencies that participate in the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) to respond to a Pre-Proposal for a Grant from USEPA's San Francisco Bay Area Water Quality Improvement Fund.

The total amount of federal funding requested under this grant application is approximately \$1,260,000; SFEP will receive approximately \$110,000 of the total. Oro Loma Sanitary District, the East Bay Dischargers Association, and later on one or more research institutions will provide \$4,360,000 of matching and leveraged funds. The Pre- Application is due to USEPA by March 16, 2012, expected award would be Fall 2012.

Recommended Action

The Board is requested to authorize the application to USEPA by approving a resolution. Should ABAG receive the grant, approval for the Executive Director or designee to sign the agreement is requested. The project assists with implementation of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership's Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.

Item 6.E.

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE BOARD**

RESOLUTION NO. 05-12

**AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO AND EXECUTE AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR
SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT FUND**

WHEREAS, ABAG is the home entity for SFEP which seeks to improve the overall health of the San Francisco Estuary in partnership with public partners;

WHEREAS, ABAG/SFEP is eligible to apply for the San Francisco Bay Area Water Quality Improvement Fund Grant from USEPA;

WHEREAS, the proposed project, Oro Loma Ecotone Project: Restoring and demonstrating historical ecotone functions to provide for San Francisco Bay's future challenges - global sea level rise, nutrient loadings, and contaminants of emerging concern, is a demonstration project to improve resiliency for the Estuary to the effects of climate change;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments hereby authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to submit an application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency to obtain an Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant pursuant to Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (CFDA): 66.126. The Executive Director or designee of the Association of Bay Area Governments is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations, file such application, and execute a grant agreement with United States Environmental Protection Agency.

The foregoing adopted by the Executive Board this 15th day of March, 2012.

Mark Luce
President

Certification of Executive Board Approval

I, the undersigned, the appointed and qualified Secretary-Treasurer of the Association of Bay Area Governments (Association), do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the Association at a duly called meeting held on the 15th day of March, 2012.

Ezra Rapport
Secretary-Treasurer

Approved as To Legal Form

Kenneth K. Moy
Legal Counsel

