

## MEMO

**Submitted by: Judy Kelly**  
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**Subject: Authorization to Enter into Agreement with US Environmental Protection Agency  
(EPA)**

**Date: March 2, 2012**

### **Executive Summary**

The San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) is one of 28 programs mandated under Section 320: National Estuary Program (NEP) of the Clean Water Act. The US Congress appropriates funds each year for the NEP to be distributed through EPA. Each program is required to apply annually for the NEP funds. The funds are allocated equally to the 28 programs, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2012 each program will receive \$ 598,800.

SFEP provides a project match of 1:1. ABAG will provide \$15,000 in-kind services and the State Water Resources Control Board will provide \$550,000 in in-kind match for office space, computers, telephones, printing, mailing and other overhead expenses for 17 Estuary Partnership staff. The remaining match amount of \$33,800 comes from local agency and state contracts for CCMP implementation.

### **Recommended Action**

The Executive Board is requested to approve the SFEP application for funds under the National Estuary Program and authorize the Executive Director or designee to enter into a new cooperative agreement with EPA on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership to provide technical, public involvement and administrative support in implementing the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP). The agreement term will be through September 30, 2013.

### **Next Steps**

When grant is received, the Executive Director or designee is authorized to sign the cooperative agreement.

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