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ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING NO. 349
Thursday, May 18, 2006, 7:00 PM
METROCENTER AUDITORIUM
101—8th Street (at Oak Street)
Oakland, California

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Cortese will report on the recent Spring General Assembly and Other Matters.

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Action: Unless there is a request by a Board member to take up an item on the consent calendar separately, the calendar will be acted upon in one motion.

A. Approval of Executive Board Summary Minutes**

Meeting No. 348 held on March 16, 2006.

B. Grant Applications**

With Board consent, ABAG will transmit the attached list of federal grant applications to the State Clearinghouse. These applications were circulated in ABAG's "Intergovernmental Review Newsletter" since the last Executive Board meeting.

C. Appointments to Committees

Regional Planning Committee

Vice Mayor Daniel Furtado, City of Campbell (Replaces former Councilmember Julia Miller, City of Sunnyvale)

Bay Area Economic Forum

Please Note: The Board may act on any item on this agenda. **Attachment included.



D. Authorization to Submit Grant Proposal to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)**

Authorization is requested to submit a Toll Bridge Reserve funding application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and, if successful, to enter into an agreement with MTC in the amount of \$140,000 for administration of the San Francisco Bay Trail Project. ABAG would provide up to \$60,000 in matching funds. ABAG has received grant funding from MTC through this program each year since 1994.

E. Resolution No. 04-06 Delegating Authority to MTC to Conduct Public Hearing on Proposed Bay Area Transportation Air Quality Conformity Protocol and Interagency Consultation Procedures**

The conformity protocol and interagency consultation procedures are being updated to reflect changes resulting from the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users, consultation best practices, and current agencies roles and responsibilities. As co-lead agencies involved in preparing the federal air quality plan (SIP), the BAAQMD and ABAG are delegating authority to MTC to hold a public hearing on the revised conformity protocol and interagency consultation procedures. MTC will release the protocol and procedures for public review on May 12, 2006. The public hearing will be held at MTC's June 9, 2006 Planning Committee meeting. The protocol and procedures will be approved by the Planning Committee on July 14 and adopted by the Commission on July 26, 2006, and will be submitted to ABAG's Executive Board for adoption on July 20, 2006.

F. Authorization to Enter into a Sub-Contract with the San Francisco Estuary Institute for planning and technical assistance to the State Coastal Commission and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**

Authorization is requested to enter into a sub-contract with the San Francisco Estuary Institute through a subvention agreement with the State of California Water Resources Control Board for a period of 14 months. ABAG will provide planning and technical assistance for \$87,000 as part of a Phase I effort to examine local government solutions for non-point sources of pollution in key California watersheds. No ABAG matching funds are required.

G. ABAG Annual Support to Bay Area Economic Forum

Authorization is requested for the FY 06-07 ABAG support to the BAEF in the amount for \$50,000. The BAEF is a partnership of ABAG and the Bay Area Council. Formed in 1988 as a public-private partnership of business, government, university, labor and community leaders BAEF analyzes and implements programs to strengthen the region's competitive economy and quality of life.

H. Authorization to Submit a Proposal and if Successful, Enter Into Grant Agreement with State Water Resources Control Board to Implement TMDLs in San Francisco Bay Region**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a grant proposal, and if successful, enter into a grant agreement with the State Water Board on behalf of ABAG/San Francisco Estuary Project and its partners to implement specific high-priority water quality improvement actions identified in Bay Area Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for sediment, PCBs, and pesticides. The agreement will not exceed \$2,650,000 with a start date of December 2006 and end date of August 2010. ABAG will provide a \$25,000 in-kind services match.

I. Authorization to Amend Contract With Alameda County and Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (County) to Provide Technical Support for Permit Processing**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to amend the agreement with Alameda County by increasing the amount by an additional \$85,000 to a total amount not to exceed \$265,000 and extending the contract period to June 30, 2007. No ABAG match is required. The project assists with implementation of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) for the San Francisco Estuary.

J. Authorization to Submit Proposal and if Successful, Enter Into Grant Agreement with State Water Resources Control Board to Carry Out Restoration Demonstration Project at Blacklock Tidal Marsh (Suisun Marsh)**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a grant proposal, and if successful, enter into a grant agreement with the State Water Board on behalf of ABAG/San Francisco Estuary Project (SFEP) and its partners to assess lessons learned for application in design and planning of future restoration projects in Suisun Marsh. The agreement will not exceed \$620,000, with a start date of December 2006 and end date of March 2010. ABAG will provide a \$5,000 in-kind services match.

K. Authorization to Amend Cooperative Agreement with US Environmental Protection Agency and Enter Into Agreement with San Francisco Estuary Institute**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to amend the cooperative agreement with EPA on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Project to provide technical, public involvement and administrative support in implementing the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP). The agreement will be increased by \$407,600 to \$824,566 and the time period is extended to December 31, 2007.

L. Authorization to Submit Proposal and if Successful, Enter Into Grant Agreement With State Water Resources Control Board to Restore Fish Habitat in LaHonda/San Gregorio Creeks Watershed**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a grant proposal, and if successful, enter into a grant agreement with the State Water Board on behalf of ABAG/San Francisco Estuary Project (SFEP) and its partners to restore migration access and spawning/rearing habitat for steelhead trout and coho salmon in LaHonda and San Gregorio Creeks watershed. The agreement will not exceed \$600,000, with a start date of September 2006 and end date of March 2010. ABAG will provide a \$5,000 in-kind services match.

M. Authorization to Enter Into Contract With Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD) to Provide Technical Support for Permit Processing**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a new two-year contract with the option to extend it annually with ABAG Executive Board and SCVWD Board approvals. The total contract amount will not exceed \$265,000 over the next two years (May 1, 2006-April 30, 2008). No ABAG match is required. The work assists with implementation of the CCMP for the San Francisco Estuary.

N. Authorization to Submit Proposal and if Successful, Enter Into Grant Agreement With State Water Resources Control Board to Develop Strategy to Resolve Methyl-Mercury and Low Dissolved Oxygen Events in Suisun Marsh**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a grant proposal and if successful, enter into a grant agreement with the State Water Board on behalf of ABAG/San Francisco Estuary Project (SFEP) and its partners to test and demonstrate solutions to the severely low dissolved oxygen (DO) conditions and the methyl-mercury production that is facilitated by low DO in Suisun Marsh. The agreement will not exceed \$795,000, with a start date of September 2006 and end date of June 2009. ABAG will provide a \$5,000 in-kind services match.

O. Authorization to Submit a Proposal and if Successful, Enter into Grant Agreement With State Water Resources Control Board to Assist At-Risk Species by Improving Water Quality and Habitat in San Pablo Bay**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a grant proposal and if successful, enter into a grant agreement with the State Water Board on behalf of ABAG/San Francisco Estuary Project (SFEP) and its partners to improve water quality/circulation and habitat in San Pablo Bay tidal marshes. The agreement will not exceed \$ 1,200,000 with a start date of December 2006 and end date of March 2010. ABAG will provide a \$10,000 in-kind services match.

P. Authorization to Enter Into Agreement With California Coastal Conservancy to Provide Administrative and Technical Support for San Francisco Bay Subtidal Habitat Goals Project**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into an agreement on behalf of ABAG/SFEP Authorization to Amend a Contract with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) with the Coastal Conservancy to perform necessary technical and administrative support for the completion of the Subtidal Habitat Goals Project. The agreement will not exceed \$125,000 and the term of the agreement will be June 2006 to April 2008. No ABAG match is required. The work assists with implementation of the CCMP for the San Francisco Estuary.

Q. Authorization to Amend Contract With State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board)**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to amend the current agreement by increasing the total amount from \$365,000 to \$590,000. Of the additional \$225,000, \$185,000 will fund ABAG/SFEP staff to carry out contract tasks. The remaining \$40,000 will be used for a pass through agreement to the Marin County Department of Public Works, Division of Land Use and Water Resources to fulfill work (Task 6.TMDL Implementation Alternatives) under the ABAG/SFEP/State Water Board Agreement. The contract end date remains the same, June 15, 2007. No ABAG match is required.

7. GREAT CALIFORNIA DELTA TRAIL SYSTEM

Information: Senator Tom Torlakson will address the Executive Board on SB 1556, legislation he introduced that would create a Delta Trail similar to the Bay Trail, which is administered by ABAG. This bill would require the Delta Protection Commission to establish a continuous recreation corridor, including a bicycle and hiking trail, around the perimeter of the Delta.

8. STATE BUDGET UPDATE AND MAY REVISE

Information: Mark Hill, Program Budget Manager, State Department of Finance will present an overview of the Governor's May Budget Revision and its impact on local Government.

9. REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION PROCESS DISCUSSION**

Information/Action: Paul Fassinger, Research Director, will brief the Board on the status of the Housing Needs Allocation Process (RHNA) and request approval for establishment of a technical advisory committee.

10. LEGISLATION & GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Information/Action: Committee Chair Shelia Young, Mayor, City of San Leandro, will report on Committee activities and ask Board approval of Committee recommendations on pending legislation.

11. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT**

Information/Action: Committee Chair Pete McHugh, Supervisor, Santa Clara County, will report on Committee activities and ask Board approval of Committee recommendations.

12. ADJOURNMENT


Henry L. Gardner, Secretary-Treasurer