

ABAG Executive Board Meeting No. 343
Thursday, May 19, 2005, 7:00 P.M.
METROCENTER AUDITORIUM
101 8th St. (at Oak St.)
Oakland, CA

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
President Haggerty 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****
No. 342 March 17, 2005
 - 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. Authorization to Submit a Grant Proposal to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)****
Authorization is requested to submit a Toll Bridge Reserve funding application to the MTC 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 each of the past several years.
 - D. Authorization to Enter Into Database Administration (DBA) Contract with V-Soft****
Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract with V-Soft, the lowest responsive bidder in an open competitive selection process conducted in February this year, to provide ABAG with Oracle DBA services.

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** Attachment included.

- E. Authorization to Extend Agreement with Michael Arnold, Legislative Representative****
Authorization is requested to extend the agreement between ABAG and Michael J. Arnold, as ABAG's State Legislative Representative in Sacramento, for an amount not to exceed \$60,000 through June 30, 2006.
- F. Endorsement and Establishment of Voluntary Contributions Program to Assist in Support and Development of ABAG-CALFED Task Force/Bay Area Water Forum****
Staff requests Executive Board endorsement in concept and approval of the establishment of a Voluntary Contributions Program to assist in the support and development of the ABAG-CALFED Task Force/Bay Area Water Forum. Members and participants of the ABAG-CALFED Task Force/Bay Area Water Forum agreed to the establishment of such a Voluntary Contributions Program at its regularly scheduled meeting of April 25th. It was agreed that a sliding scale would be developed to encourage contributions from local governments, agencies, organizations, corporations and non-governmental entities. ABAG staff has prepared a draft Finance Plan to evaluate a range of voluntary contributions scenarios. Initial pledges of support have been made to the program from several participants.
- G. Authorization to Enter into Cooperative Agreement with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to Provide Support for Implementing Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP)****
Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into an interagency agreement with EPA to provide technical, public involvement, and administrative support for CCMP implementation. The agreement will not exceed \$410,000 and the agreement period will be December 1, 2005 – December 31, 2006. ABAG will provide a match of in-kind services in the amount of \$18,000 and the State Water Resources Control Board will provide additional matching funds in the amount of \$410,000 through ABAG/SFEP/SWRCB grants for the Brake Pad Partnership and Urban Pesticide TMDL.
- H. Authorization to Submit Grant Proposal to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for Stream and Wetlands Protection Policy Development****
Authorization is requested to submit a proposal, and if accepted, for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a cooperative agreement with EPA to develop and adopt a stream and Wetlands Protection Policy for the San Francisco Bay and North Coast Regional Water Boards. The agreement will not exceed \$160,000 and the project period is July 2005-December 2007. ABAG will provide a \$32,985 match through an ACL (fine) and the Regional Water Boards will provide a \$58,300 in-kind service match.
- I. Authorization to Amend Cooperative Agreement with U.S. Geological Survey****
Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to amend the USGS agreement by increasing the amount by an additional \$700,000 to provide support to the California Bay-Delta Authority Science Program. The cooperative agreement total will increase from \$1,009,422 to \$1,709,422. The agreement ends December 31, 2005.
- J. Authorization to Amend Contract with Alameda County and Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District****
Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to amend the contract by increasing the total amount from \$100,000 to \$180,000 and extending the contract until June 30, 2006. The funds will cover staff costs to provide technical support for permit processing for the additional year.
- K. Authorization to Enter into Subcontract with Levine Fricke Rincon (LFR)****
Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a subcontract with LFR to provide technical and scientific support services for a \$1,360,000 grant received from the State Water Resources Control Board to develop wetland design and management

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options to control mercury in the San Francisco Bay. The subcontract will not exceed \$800,000 over the project period 2005-2009.

- L. Authorization to Amend Contract with the California Coastal Conservancy****
Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to amend the contract by increasing the total amount from \$50,000 to \$90,000 and extending the contract period until June 30, 2006. The funds will cover staff costs to provide additional support for the *Spartina* Signage Project.

7. HOUSING NEEDS DETERMINATION PROCESS DISCUSSION**

Information/ACTION: Janet Mc Bride, ABAG Planning Director will brief the Board on the status of the Housing Needs Determination Process (RHND) and recent and pending regional and state actions concerning the RHND process.

8. REPORT ON THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES (ICLEI) – CITIES FOR CLIMATE PROTECTION U.S.

Information: Melissa Royael Capria, Senior Project Officer, ICLEI – Cities for Climate Protection U.S. will present an overview of ICLEI's Cities for Climate Protection Campaign. ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability was founded in 1990 by local governments at the United Nations Headquarters in New York as the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI). ICLEI is a democratically governed membership association of cities, towns, counties, metropolitan governments, and local government associations. Cities for Climate Protection (CCP) is ICLEI's flagship campaign. The campaign is designed to motivate and empower local governments worldwide to take action on climate change. CCP is a performance-oriented campaign that offers a framework for local governments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and improve livability within their municipalities.

9. STATE BUDGET UPDATE & MAY REVISE

Information: A representative of the State Department of Finance has been invited to discuss the impact of the Governor's May Budget Revision on local Government.

10. REPORT ON SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Information: Staff will lead a discussion on the Spring General Assembly, "Casinos on the Bay Area Landscape."

11. LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE (L&GO) REPORT**

ACTION: L&GO Chair Rose Jacobs Gibson will report on Committee activities and ask Board approval of Committee recommendations on pending legislation.

12. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT**

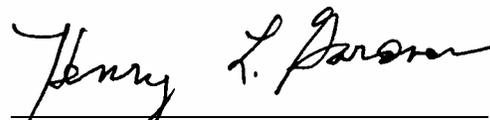
ACTION: Committee Chair Pete McHugh will report on activities of the Committee and will ask Board approval of Committee recommendations.

A. CLOSED SESSION:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9: One (1) Case

13. ADJOURNMENT


Henry L. Gardner, Secretary-Treasurer

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