ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
Representing City and County Governments of the San Francisco Bay Area

ABAG

MEMO

July 8, 2011

To: ABAG Executive Board

From: Judy Kelly, Director
San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP)

Re: Authorization to Enter into a Contract Amendment with the Delta Stewardship Council to Provide Support for the Delta Science Program (DSP).

Executive Summary
ABAG/SFEP has historically provided institutional support for multi-agency planning, environmental and scientific projects, estuarine and scientific public education and outreach for efforts related to SFEP CCMP Implementation. SFEP has provided technical, administrative and communication support to the CalFed Program, the CalFed Science Program, and the Delta Science Program through several mutually beneficial contracts since 2001. The Executive Board approved a new contract with the Delta Stewardship Council to fund experts for the Delta Science Program in July 2009 and an amendment for additional support and funds in July of 2010.

This request authorization to sign a contract amendment and provides a resolution to support this contract amendment which adds additional contract funding of $75,000 raising the overall amount to $ 1,049,258. ABAG/SFEP retain 15% for contract management and accounting; the balance is contracted to expert scientific advisors, peer reviewers, workshop support, etc. as detailed in the contract and resolution.

Recommended Action:
Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract amendment on behalf of ABAG/SFEP with the Delta Stewardship Council to continue providing support for the Delta Science Program. The contract amount will not exceed $1,049,258. A proposed resolution approving this contract/amendment is attached.

Next Steps:
SFEP will provide the Resolution approving this contract to the Science Program for addition to their contract package.

Attachment: Draft resolution

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EXECUTIVE BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 12-11

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO AND ACCEPT CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL FOR SUPPORT OF THE DELTA SCIENCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Delta Stewardship Council budget provides resources to support the Delta Science Program; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)/San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) is prepared to assist the Delta Stewardship Council through a multi-year contract supporting the Delta Science Program in the following tasks:

1. identify, retain and provide scientific experts for panels, boards, peer review, and other scientific efforts;
2. organize and manage technical and administrative support for expert advisors, panels, boards and researchers;
3. organize and document workshops, meetings, the biennial Science Conference and State of the Estuary Conferences;
4. provide communication support for the Science Program, including writing, editing, graphic design, printing and dissemination of scientific information to multiple audiences through the digital journal and technical papers; and
5. provide organizational and logistical support for the Science Program's proposal solicitation process and peer review.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments authorizes the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with the Delta Stewardship Council to add $75,000 to the contract for a total contract amount of $ 1,049,258 in support of the Science Program.

The foregoing adopted by the Executive Board this 21st day of July, 2011.

Mark Green
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 21st day of July, 2011.

Ezra Rapport
Secretary-Treasurer

Approved as To Legal Form

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Legal Counsel