

AGENDA

ABAG Executive Board Meeting No. 308
Thursday, September 16, 1999 7:30 p.m.
METROCENTER AUDITORIUM
101-8th St (at Oak St.)
Oakland, CA

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
4. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT****
5. **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. 307, July 15, 1999
 - 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 National Fish and Wildlife Foundation**
Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a proposal to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Project's Delta In-Channel Island Workgroup to fund the construction phase of the demonstration project to restore and enhance Delta Channel Island habitat. If approved, the Executive Director or designee will enter into an agreement with NFWF for an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to be expended over a two-year period (December 1, 1999-November 30, 2001). ABAG will provide a 2.5 percent or \$2,500 match. The grant assists with implementing the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.

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** Attachment included.

D. Authorization to Enter into an Interagency Agreement with the California Department of Transportation

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into an interagency agreement with Caltrans for a research project on how to reduce pollutants in freeway runoff. ABAG will provide technical support for this project. If approved, the Executive Director will enter into an agreement for an amount not to exceed \$125,000 to be expended over a two-year period (October 1, 1999-September 30, 2001). No matching funds are required by ABAG. The agreement assists with implementing the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.

E. Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the Santa Clara Valley Water District

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract with the Santa Clara Valley Water District for ABAG to provide technical support for reviewing, commenting and processing water quality permits and certifications. The contract will not exceed \$125,000 over a 21-month period. No matching funds are required by ABAG. The contract will assist with implementing the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.

F. Authorization is Requested to Increase the Amount of the Contract with California Department of Boating and Waterways

At its May 1999 meeting, the Executive Board authorized the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the California Department of Boating and Waterways to implement a public involvement and education program on pollution prevention for boaters. Authorization is now requested for the Executive Director or designee to increase the agreement from \$200,000 to \$250,000. The term of the agreement will not change (July 1, 1999-June 30, 2001). The additional funds are needed to implement the program. No increase in the ABAG match is requested.

G. Authorization is Requested to Enter Into an Agreement with the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG)

Authorization is requested for ABAG Research and Analysis staff to provide technical assistance in planning and data collection. ABAG will be compensated for staff time and expenses consistent with our cooperative agreement. ABAG staff will assist in analysis of commuting and land use patterns in the AMBAG area. Staff will also help to develop Geographic Information System products and tools to perform planning scenarios, as identified by AMBAG, and in cooperation with an advisory committee. Scope of work will not exceed \$60,000.

H. Authorization is Requested for ABAG to Accept \$2.5 Million from the Coastal Conservancy for the Bay Trail**

Authorization is requested to accept \$2.5 million from the California Coastal Conservancy to administer a competitive grant program to extend the Bay Trail. Resolution 16-99 specifies respective roles for the California Coastal Conservancy, ABAG and the San Francisco Bay Trail Project.

I. ABAG Officer Election Calendar**

ABAG's bylaws provide for the election of the President and Vice President of the Association every two years. An election of officers occurs in 1999. The Board is asked to endorse a schedule and procedure including a canvassing committee for officer selection.

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J. Authorization to Communicate Support of Attorney General's Request for Appropriation to Investigate the Oil Industry **

California Attorney General Bill Lockyer has asked the Legislature for \$2.5 million to hire temporary staff to investigate allegations of anti-competitive practices in the pricing of gasoline by major oil companies as well as the effects of mergers. Authorization is requested to send a letter to the Legislature and the Governor supporting SB 1131(Burton) and Lockyer's efforts.

K. Correspondence from Felicia Marcus, U.S. EPA**

L. Authorization to Submit Grant Request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on Behalf of the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit an application on behalf of the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development to the U.S. EPA for a Sustainable Development Challenge Grant. In partnership with local and regional agencies and Bay Area Alliance members, ABAG would guide development of a smart growth study toward using land more efficiently, better balancing jobs and housing locations, addressing equity concerns, mitigating the adverse impacts of growth, and addressing other sustainability objectives. The grant may be up to \$250,000 with a required local match. Duration of the grant would be two years.

6. PRINCIPLES OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Information: Carl Anthony, CEO of Bay Area Urban Habitat, will brief the Board on the Environmental Justice Policy recently adopted by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD). These principles are consistent with the concepts and initiatives advocated by the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development.

7. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS

Information: Rusty Selix, Executive Director of the California Association of Councils of Governments will provide a State legislative update and review of the FY99 State budget.

8. CALFED BAY-DELTA PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND UPDATE**

Information/ACTION: The CALFED Bay-Delta Program is a collaboration among state and federal agencies and other public and special interests formed to address and resolve environmental and water management problems associated with the Bay-Delta system. Marin County Supervisor Steve Kinsey and Marcia Brockbank, Manager of the San Francisco Estuary Project, will brief the Board on this issue. The Executive Board will consider adopting Resolution 15-99 supporting the recommendations of the Regional Planning Committee.

9. REPORT ON THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION'S "BLUEPRINT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY"

Information: San Jose Councilmember Charlotte Powers, ABAG representative to MTC, will report to the Board on recent MTC activities including the "Blue Print for the 21st Century."

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10. PROGRAM UPDATES

- A. Information:** Elena Schmid, ABAG Power Pool Manager will provide an update on recent Power Program activities**
- B. Information:** Gary Binger, ABAG Deputy Executive Director/Planning Director will update the Board on recent activities of the Inter-Regional Partnership**

11. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

ACTION: Committee Chair Owen Regalia will report on activities of the Committee including:

- A. 1999 Diversity and Business Opportunity Report****
Approve results of ABAG's 1999 Diversity and Business Opportunity Report.
- B. Recommendation on Request from City of Oakland re Formation of Task Force on Elimination of Dioxin from the Environment****

12. ADJOURNMENT

Eugene Y. Leong, Secretary-Treasurer

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