

ABAG Executive Board Meeting No. 333
Thursday, September 18, 2003 7:30 p.m.
METROCENTER AUDITORIUM
101-8th Street (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. 332, July 17, 2003

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. Appointment to Committees

President Regalia requests the Board's approval of the following Committee appointment:

Regional Planning Committee

- Moderator of the Bay Area Congestion Management Agency Directors Association or his/her Designee

D. Authorization to Amend Agreement No. 02-103 with California State Coastal Conservancy

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to amend the agreement between the Association of Bay Area Governments and the California State Coastal Conservancy to extend the term of the agreement to June 30, 2006.

E. Authorization to Amend Consultant Contract for Services with Peter Melhus

In November 1999 the Executive Board approved a contract with Peter Melhus to serve as Executive Director of the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Communities (formerly Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development). The Bay Area Alliance Steering Committee recently voted to extend the term of the Executive Director through December 31, 2003, and has asked ABAG to amend the contract, subject to availability of funds. The extension will result

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in additional compensation of \$19,500 over a six-month term. Mr. Melhus' compensation is paid from foundation grants received by Bay Area Alliance Steering Committee members.

F. Authorization to Submit Proposals to Provide Energy Efficiency Assistance to Entities within PG&E's Service Territory

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee, on behalf of ABAG or ABAG POWER to apply for funding with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), PG&E, or other energy agency, or act as a subcontractor to proposals, to assist local governments, businesses, and/or residences in reducing their energy use. It is the intent of ABAG, in partnership with Energy Service Companies and/or local communities, to request funding to assist entities within the PG&E service territory. If successful, ABAG will enter into the necessary contracts to receive the funding and implement the approved energy efficiency services. No ABAG match is required.

G. Resolution No. 06-03 Authorizing Submittal and Support Proposal Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Bay Area Pre-Disaster Natural Hazards Mitigation Planning Project**

Authorization is requested to support and submit a proposal to FEMA, through the State Office of Emergency Services, for a San Francisco Bay Area Pre-Disaster Natural Hazards Mitigation Planning Project. If funded, authorization is requested for the Executive Director or his designee to enter into contracts with OES and FEMA. The project focuses on compiling a comprehensive community-specific risk assessment with emphasis on flooding, earthquakes, winter storms, and wild land fires. This risk assessment will be used to create a regional mitigation plan that can be adopted by both ABAG and any city or county choosing to do so to fulfill the requirements of FEMA for such a plan. Four hundred-fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) will be requested from FEMA plus a \$150,000 ABAG match for this 24-month project.

H. Authorization to Submit Proposal to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

Authorization is requested for the Executive Officer or designee to submit a proposal, and if awarded, enter into a contract with the State Water Resources Control Board on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Project, LFR, Levine-Fricke, University of California, SF Bay Regional Water Board, Applied Marine Sciences and other partners named in the proposal. The project will develop pilot testing for wetland design and management options to control Mercury in San Francisco Bay. ABAG/SFEP will administer the contract in an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000 and provide an in-kind match of \$15,000. The project period is February 2004 – March 2008. The project will assist with implementation of the CCMP for the San Francisco Estuary.

I. Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract with the SWRCB and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Project/ABAG to provide outreach, education and stakeholder involvement in the Total Maximum Daily Load process. The contract will not exceed \$100,000 and the contract period is June 15, 2003, through March 1, 2005. No ABAG match is required. The project will assist with implementation of the CCMP for the San Francisco Estuary.

J. Authorization to Amend Agreement with the California Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW)

In September 2002, the Executive Board authorized the Executive Director or designee to amend an agreement with the DBW for the San Francisco Estuary Project/ABAG to provide support for a Boater Education Program and a statewide media campaign for recreational boaters. Terms include a pass-through contract to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration

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Program, the Estuary Project's counterpart. The Board is requested to approve amending the agreement by increasing the not to exceed amount from \$690,000 to \$790,000 and extending the term of agreement from December 31, 2003, to December 21, 2005. SFEP/ABAG and the Santa Monica Bay Program will assist the DBW, Regional Water Quality Control Boards 2 and 4 and the State Water Quality Control Board with a public hearing process on the need for improved vessel sewage waste programs. Tasks will include gathering data and making recommendations to the Boards. The contract assists with the implementation of the CCMP for the San Francisco Estuary.

K. Authorization to Amend a Contract with Lisa Owens-Viani

Under terms of the San Francisco Estuary Project/ABAG agreement with the US Environmental Protection Agency, SFEP/ABAG issued a Request for Proposals to provide writing and editing support for SFEP publications. The Board authorized the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract with the responsive consultant, Lisa Owens-Viani. The Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to amend the contract by increasing the not to exceed amount from \$35,000 to \$70,000 and extend the contract to December 31, 2004). The increased funding provides six additional issues of the newsletter, *ESTUARY*, the 2003 State of the Estuary Report and the 2003 CCMP Environmental Report Card. The contract assists with the implementation of the CCMP for the San Francisco Estuary.

L. Authorization to Amend a Contract with Joan Patton

Under terms of the San Francisco Estuary Project/ABAG agreements with the US Environmental Protection Agency, Dept. of Boating and Waterways, and CALFED/Dept. of Water Resources, SFEP/ABAG issued a Request for Proposals to provide education and outreach for recreational boaters and science conference organizing support. The Board authorized the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract with the responsive consultant Joan Patton. The Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to amend the contract by increasing the not to exceed amount from \$59,000 to \$105,000 and extend the contract to December 31, 2004. The increased funding provides support for the 2003 State of the Estuary conference, the October 2004 CALFED Science Conference and SFEP's Boater Education Program. The contract assists with the implementation of the CCMP for the San Francisco Estuary.

M. Authorization to Enter into Agreements with Members of the Brake Pad Partnership

In August 2003, the State Water Resources Control Board awarded a grant of \$700,000 to ABAG/San Francisco Estuary Project to administer the contract for the Brake Pad Partnership. Under terms of the contract, ABAG/SFEP will enter into agreements with Sustainable Conservation (\$150,000); the San Francisco Estuary Institute (\$50,000); Alameda County Clean Water Program (\$30,000); Systech Engineering, Inc. (\$50,000); and URS Corp. (\$85,000); to provide technical, modeling and expert support for the BPP. The Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to enter into agreements with the above named entities for not to exceed amounts from August 2003 to February 2006. The project will assist with the implementation of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan for the San Francisco Estuary.

N. Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI)

In June 2003, EPA awarded a grant of \$250,000 to ABAG/San Francisco Estuary Project for Phase II of the San Francisco Bay Area Wetlands Regional Monitoring Program (WRMP). Under terms of the agreement, ABAG/SFEP will enter into a contract with SFEI to provide technical support for the WRMP. The Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to enter into an agreement with SFEI in an amount not to exceed \$227,500 over a one-year period, July 2003 – June 2004. The project will assist with the implementation of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan for the San Francisco Estuary.

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O. Authorization to Submit Proposals to Provide Administrative, Planning, and Communications Assistance to the ABAG CALFED Task Force for Regional Water Education, Planning, and Management

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee on behalf of ABAG to apply for funding with the California Coastal Conservancy, California Bay Delta Authority Resources Agency and the California Department of Water Resources to assist a large stakeholder group process initiated by ABAG and CALFED in 2000. Funding of up to \$950,000 for continuation of this project would include stakeholder project administration, research, planning, mapping, inter-agency communications and local government, water district and community outreach and education. If successful, ABAG will enter into the necessary contracts to receive the funding and implement the approved project scopes of work. Local match is not expected.

P. ABAG Officer Election Calendar**

ABAG bylaws provide for the election of President and Vice President of the Association every two years. An election of officers occurs in 2003. The Board is asked to endorse a schedule and procedure including a canvassing committee for officer selection.

6. 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 FY 03-04 State budget.

7. METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC) UPDATE

Information: Petaluma Councilmember Pam Torliatt, ABAG Representative to MTC will present an annual report on the status of MTC activities.

8. INSECTICIDE MARKET TRENDS AND POTENTIAL WATER QUALITY IMPLICATIONS**

Information/ACTION: Kelly Moran, Ph.D., TDC Environmental, a consultant to the SF Estuary Project, will brief the Board on insecticide market trends and water quality implications. The Board will also be requested to adopt Resolution No. 05 -03 urging local governments to adopt the principles of Integrated Pest Management.

9. BAY TRAIL UPDATE**

Information/ACTION: Janet McBride, Bay Trail Project Manager, will brief the Board on recent Bay Trail activities, show excerpts from recent media coverage and request Board approval of Resolution No. 04-03 supporting early and full integration of public Access and Trails.

10. LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

ACTION: Chair Rose Jacobs Gibson will report on Committee activities.

11. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

ACTION: Chair Steve Rabinowitsh will report on Committee activities.

A. 2003 Diversity and Business Opportunity Report**

Accept ABAG's 2003 Diversity and Business Opportunity Report.

12. ADJOURNMENT



Eugene Y. Leong, Secretary-Treasurer

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