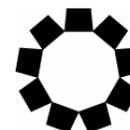


ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

Representing City and County Governments of the San Francisco Bay Area



ABAG

Date: November 9, 2016
To: ABAG Executive Board
From: Duane Bay
Assistant Planning Director
Subject: **Request Approving the Accepting Grant Funds from USGS**

Executive Summary

The United States Geological Services (USGS) Earthquake Hazards Program (EHP) issues annual assistance to support research in earthquake hazards, the physics of earthquakes, earthquake occurrence, and earthquake safety policy. This activity is authorized by the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977 (Public Law 95-124, 42 U.S.C. 7701 et. seq.), as amended by Public Laws 101-614, 105-47, 106-503, and 108-360.

The USGS awarded ABAG an EHP grant (G16AP00172) in the amount of \$45,353 to revise the "Bay Area Vulnerable Housing Field Guide", which was written in May 2015. The guide will consolidate existing housing vulnerability assessments resources and advice to make them more accessible and informative to both residents and community leaders in the Bay Area. The work builds significantly upon a number of previous USGS EHP grants to ABAG. The proposed work will generate products that are of immediate use to city and county staff, and are very visible and tangible representations of the technical assistance and policy development work done by ABAG that is otherwise relatively invisible. The products include innovative web and social media for information dissemination.

The period of performance is September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017. There are no required matching funds.

Recommended Action

The ABAG Executive Board is requested to adopt Resolution No. 16-16 authorizing acceptance of a grant from USGS Earthquake Hazards Program to produce a new "Vulnerable Housing Field Guide" for the Bay Area.

Attachment

Resolution 16-16