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To: ABAG Administrative Committee

From: Brad Paul, ABAG Deputy Executive Director

Subject: Website Redesign and Update on ABAG General Assembly Delegate Meetings

At last year's Administrative Committee retreat, staff was asked to find new ways to engage our ABAG General Assembly delegates. Following adoption of Plan Bay Area in July, we began planning meetings that would allow senior staff and Executive Board members to talk with delegates from each county in depth about their biggest concerns and how ABAG could be more helpful. Meetings for ABAG delegates in Santa Clara County, San Mateo County, and Alameda County were conducted in November, January, and February. In March, ABAG will meet with Solano County delegates on Friday, March 14, and with Sonoma County delegates on Friday, March 28th. Meetings are now being scheduled for the remaining four counties.

At each of these meetings, the main topic for discussion has been the evolving role of delegates, Plan Bay Area implementation, PDA and PCA implementation challenges and

issues, a description of other ABAG Programs and Services of interest to each of the counties/cities, as well as a discussion of how ABAG can support each of the cities and counties in their efforts regarding the growth and development of Priority Development Areas.

A summary of delegate meetings and attendees follows:

**Santa Clara County, January 9th, Santa Clara County Building,
San Jose**

Attendees

County of Santa Clara Supervisor Cindy Chavez, ABAG
Executive Board Host
City of Santa Clara Mayor Jamie L. Matthews
City of Los Altos Mayor Jarrett Fishpaw
City of Sunnyvale Councilmember Jim Davis
City of Saratoga Councilmember Chuck Page
City of Morgan Hill Councilmember Gordon Siebert
City of Palo Alto Councilmember Greg Schmid
City of Gilroy Councilmember Peter Arellano
Town of Los Altos Hills Councilmember Gary Waldeck
City of Mountain View Councilmember Ronit Bryant
City of Milpitas Councilmember Carmen Montano
Felix Reliford, Principal Housing Planner, City of Milpitas
Brad Paul, ABAG Deputy Executive Director
Leah Zippert, ABAG Communications Officer

**San Mateo County, November 5th, San Mateo County Government
Center, Redwood City**

Attendees:

San Mateo County Supervisor David Pine, ABAG Executive Board Host

San Mateo County Supervisor Warren Slocum

City of South San Francisco Mayor Pedro Gonzalez

Redwood City Mayor Barbara Pierce

Town of Atherton Mayor Elizabeth Lewis

Town of Hillsborough Councilmember Shawn Christianson

Brisbane Councilmember Cliff Lentz

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Gillian Adams, ABAG Regional Planner

Halimah Anderson, ABAG Communications Officer

**Alameda County, February 20th, Alameda County
Administration Building, Oakland**

Attendees:

Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty, ABAG Executive Board Host

City of Pleasanton Councilmember Jerry Pentin

City of Alameda Vice Mayor Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft

City of Berkeley Councilmember Susan Wengraf

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Mark Shorett, ABAG Regional Planner

Kathleen Cha, ABAG Senior Communications Officer

A summary of some of common themes and key comments from these delegate meetings will be presented at the Administrative Committee Retreat.

