

A G E N D A

REVISED

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 31, 2011, 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM
Special Meeting

Locations

MetroCenter, 101—8th Street, Conference Room B, Oakland, CA
Civic Center, 3501 Civic Center Drive, San Rafael, CA
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA
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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. **Adoption of Resolution 05-11 on Accepting a Grant Award for the San Francisco Estuary Partnership from the State Coastal Conservancy****

ACTION. Judy Kelly, Director, San Francisco Estuary Partnership, will report on the grant award for the San Francisco Estuary Partnership from the State Coastal Conservancy for support of the 2011 State of the Estuary Conference and recommend action on Resolution 05-11.

4. **Authorization to Execute Agreements to Implement the California Energy Commission Grant for the EV Corridor Project****

ACTION. Jerry Lahr, Program Manager, ABAG POWER, will report on the grant award to the Association of Bay Area Governments from the

*Committee may act on any item on this agenda. **Attachment included.*

California Energy Commission for the EV Corridor Project, and recommend Committee action.

5. Authorization to Execute Agreements to Implement the BALANCE Foundation's RFG Grant for the EV Streamlining Project**

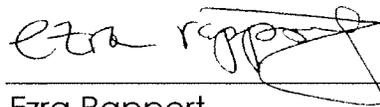
ACTION. Jerry Lahr, Program Manager, ABAG POWER, will report on the grant award to the BALANCE Foundation from the RFG Settlement Fund for the EV Streamlining Project, and recommend Committee action.

6. Authorization to Award Contract for Preparation of the EIR for the Sustainable Communities Strategy/Regional Transportation Plan**

ACTION. Ken Moy, Legal Counsel, will report on the contract to prepare the Environmental Impact Report for the Sustainable Communities Strategy/Regional Transportation Plan, and recommend Committee action regarding the firm Dyett & Bhatia.

7. Public Comment

8. Adjournment



Ezra Rapport
Secretary-Treasurer

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE BOARD**

RESOLUTION NO. 05-11

**AUTHORIZING THE ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS TO
ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA STATE
COASTAL CONSERVANCY FOR SUPPORT OF THE 2011 STATE OF THE
ESTUARY CONFERENCE**

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) is a joint exercise of powers agency formed by the 110 cities, counties, and city and county comprising the San Francisco Bay Area for the purposes of planning, coordination and cooperation on a regional basis; and

WHEREAS, the California State Coastal Conservancy desires to help support the San Francisco Estuary Partnership's 2011 State of the Estuary Conference and has funds available pursuant to Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the California Public Resources Code for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, ABAG through the San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) has the expertise necessary to carry out the purposes of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the State Coastal Conservancy has awarded to ABAG in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) in support of the State of the Estuary conference from March 2011 – December 2011.

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 05-11**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Administrative Committee of the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract agreement with the California State Coastal Conservancy for support of the 2011 State of the Estuary Conference, and to take all other actions reasonably necessary to such execution and delivery.

The foregoing adopted by the Administrative Committee this 31st day of March, 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 Administrative Committee of the Association at a duly called meeting held on the 31st day of March, 2011.

Ezra Rapport
Secretary-Treasurer

Approved as To Legal Form

Kenneth K. Moy
Legal Counsel



March 21, 2011

MEMORANDUM

M E M O

To: ABAG Executive Board

From: Judy Kelly, Executive Director
San Francisco Estuary Partnership

Subject: Request for Ratification and Resolution Approving Contract Agreement with the California State Coastal Conservancy for Support of the 2011 State of the Estuary Conference

The Board is requested to ratify the agreement between ABAG and the State Coastal Conservancy for support of the 2011 State of the Estuary Conference. The San Francisco Estuary Partnership organizes the two-day conference which provides the opportunity for scientists, managers, interest groups and the public to link the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan's (CCMP) implementation to other ecosystem management programs/activities, address challenges, provide education and solicit feedback on Bay-Delta Estuary restoration and protection.

This project implements one of the recommendations in the Public Involvement and Education component of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) for the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary. The San Francisco Estuary Partnership is one of 28 nationally significant estuaries designated under the Clean Water Act. The Conference also provides a forum to hear about new research and monitoring data, political and scientific impacts on environmental policy, and priority ecosystem management issues. The conference includes a poster session. There were 200 posters on display at the 2009 conference. A report will summarize the findings presented at the Conference and will be broadly distributed to local, state and federal decision makers.

The agreement with the Coastal Conservancy provides \$100,000 in support of the conference and the term of the agreement is from March 2011-December 2011.



MEMORANDUM

ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

Representing City and County Governments of the San Francisco Bay Area

DT: March 24, 2011

TO: ABAG Executive Board

FM: Gerald Lahr, Energy Programs Manager

RE: California Energy Commission (CEC) Grant
- EV Corridor Project

Background. AB118 (Nunez- 2007) directed the California Energy Commission (CEC) to develop and implement the “Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program.”

On March 9, 2011 the CEC approved a \$1.5 million grant to ABAG to install charging stations throughout the region.

EV Corridor Project. ABAG, as part of the Bay Area Electric Vehicle (EV) Corridor Project, plans to establish the greater SF Bay Area as an electric vehicle leader by accelerating the deployment of EV-ready infrastructure and EV-friendly policies and incentives. ABAG will deploy charging infrastructure throughout the Bay Area with an emphasis on 1) addressing the needs of the “garageless” EV driver, especially in densely populated cities, and 2) providing battery-electric vehicle (BEV) drivers with the ability to travel across and within the region without “range anxiety”.

This project will install up to 423 charge points for the region including 19 DC Fast Chargers, 176 Level 1 and 228 Level 2 charge points. The charging installations will service neighborhood electric vehicles, legacy EVs that take 110 volt connections, and new EVs that require 240 volt connectors. The DC fast charges, installed in centrally located, high use locations, will be able to serve up to eight vehicles at a time.

ABAG will contract with Clean Fuel Connection, Inc. (CFCI) to manage local charger installation processes on behalf of local jurisdictions and organizations that wish to participate.

The CEC will provide \$1,493,165 in Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Program funds, and participating agencies will provide match funding of \$2,745,843.

Project Management Partners

- ABAG – project lead and fiscal agent
- EV Communities Alliance – EV Corridor Project coordination and grant program management
- CFCI – provide turnkey EV charging installation on behalf of Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, Marin and Monterey Bay partners
- Ecology Action – EV Corridor coordination in the Monterey region

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Project Milestones. ABAG plans to initiate the project on April 15, 2011 with a final report expected by June 15, 2012. ABAG will begin installation of the charge points in Summer 2011.

Action: Authorize ABAG to execute all necessary agreements to implement and carry out the purposes of any funds awarded as a result of the CEC Grant.

cc: Ezra Rapport, Executive Director

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DT: March 24, 2011

TO: ABAG Executive Board

FM: Gerald Lahr, Energy Programs Manager

RE: Balance Foundation RFG Grant
- EV Streamlining Project

Project History. The RFG Settlement Fund, a court-administered fund set up to manage a \$5M court penalty against the Unocal corporation, issued an RFP in early 2011 to solicit proposals for projects that would promote clean transportation alternatives and reduce greenhouse gases. The Association of Bay Area Governments and the Balance Foundation were approached by the EV Communities Alliance to partner on the development of a grant to develop Fast Charge infrastructure connecting the Bay Area and Los Angeles along the I-5 corridor, to promote EV charger installation streamlining in Bay Area and Southern California jurisdictions, and to develop and disseminate guidelines for EV infrastructure deployment by local and regional agencies. ABAG was identified as providing overall project oversight, EV Communities Alliance was identified as project manager, and, due to eligibility rules, the Balance Foundation was the formal applicant and fiscal agent.

Following an initial review by the court-appointed administrator, ABAG was informed that RFG would not support the Fast Charge project, but ABAG was encouraged to supplement the budget for installation streamlining and EV-friendly policy guidelines in order to assist more jurisdictions to implement these project elements. A new project budget and scope were developed with final funding set at \$615,800.

On November 29, 2010 the court approved the Balance Foundation award, and on January 20, 2011 the Balance Foundation Board approved acceptance of the grant. The administration of the grant was subsequently assigned to ABAG.

Need for the Project: State and local government agencies, metropolitan planning organizations, and auto makers are increasingly concerned that residential EV Charger streamlining efforts are lagging throughout the state, with installation times for the most commonly specified (240 volt “Level 2”) EV Chargers requiring a month or more to complete – due to the necessity to obtain permits, schedule multiple inspections by both utilities and building inspectors, and certify that the work has been done to code. In addition, many local permitting officials are not familiar with EV charger requirements and may not be providing accurate and timely information to would-be EV consumers seeking information on code requirements. A study by Friends of the Earth in the Bay Area documented in detail that lack of information and problematic approval processes in many Bay Area cities and Counties. Experience in jurisdictions that have been working hard to address this problem – such as San

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Francisco – indicate that installation times can be accelerated *if* all key stakeholders – including local inspectors, utilities, auto dealers, and EV charger installers – work together to clarify hand-off procedures and to streamline the component parts of the EV charger “supply chain.”

Project Partners: Project partners include the following:

The EV Communities Alliance (EVCA) operates under 501c3 auspices, with a mission to the shift to electric transportation. Led by founder/Executive Director Richard Schorske, EVCA will act as project coordinator and will lead the installation streamlining effort in the Bay Area in collaboration with the Bay Area Climate Collaborative, and assist in the Southern California streamlining effort. EVCA will assist ABAG in the development of the proposed EV policy White Paper for the COGs and provide the grant evaluation services.

Clean Fuel Connection, Inc (CFCI) is the leading installer of EV infrastructure in California and one of the leading EVSE contractors nationwide. Founded in 1998 by CEO Enid Joffe, Clean Fuel Connection has installed more than 1500 EV chargers, from the original GM EV 1 program to the recent BMW Mini-E pilot program. Clean Fuel Connection will help to develop the EV-friendly public works guidelines and will lead installation streamlining efforts in Southern California.

Bay Area Climate Collaborative (BACC) is a cross-sector nonprofit organization working with the Silicon Valley Leadership Group and multiple cities and counties to coordinate work on the climate challenge in the region. It has developed EV-related fleet projects with MTC and other partners, and is also coordinating green building upgrades in numerous jurisdictions. BACC will partner with LightMoves Consulting—which has developed EV guidelines for the Puget Sound region and Sonoma County – to develop the RFG funded guidelines suitable for all jurisdictions in California.

Action: Authorize ABAG to execute all necessary agreements to implement and carry out the purposes of any funds awarded as a result of the RFG Settlement Grant issued to the Balance Foundation.

cc: Ezra Rapport, Executive Director

ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

Representing City and County Governments of the San Francisco Bay Area



ABAG

To: Administrative Committee
Fr: Kenneth Moy 
Dt: March 30, 2011
Re: EIR for RTP/SCS – Selection of Consultant

M E M O

Summary: ABAG and MTC staff received and reviewed a proposal from the firm of Dyett & Bhatia to prepare the environmental impact report (EIR) for the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The firm is qualified, the proposal is responsive and the cost is within budget. MTC will bear the entire cost for the preparation of the EIR.

Requested Action: Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee to execute a contract with Dyett & Bhatia for the preparation of the EIR for the RTP/SCS, and any other actions reasonably necessary to do so.

Background: ABAG and MTC are jointly responsible for the preparation of the SCS, a component of the RTP. The RTP/SCS is a 'project' under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). ABAG and MTC are jointly responsible as co-lead agencies for the preparation of an EIR examining the RTP/SCS as required under CEQA. MTC has agreed to bear the entire cost of the EIR.

On February 11, 2011, ABAG and MTC jointly issued a request for proposals for a consultant to assist the agencies in the preparation of the EIR. We received only one proposal which was submitted by the firm of Dyett & Bhatia headquartered in San Francisco. The firm has prepared nearly all of the EIRs for the Bay Area's RTP since 1994 as well as EIRs for the general plans of several Bay Area cities. The firm also provides land use, transportations and resource management consulting services to public entities.

The proposal was reviewed by a panel consisting of the one staff person from each of the two agencies, a staff representative from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), and one staff representative from each of the following groups: congestion management agencies and local jurisdictions. The review panel concluded that Dyett & Bhatia is well qualified to perform the work and that the proposal was responsive. The proposed cost is Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000) which is within the preliminary budget prepared by MTC.

Upon authorization from the Administrative Committee and MTC's Administrative Committee, ABAG and MTC will jointly enter into a contract with Dyett and Bhatia to perform the work.

