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Subject: Authorization to Enter into Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for San Pablo Avenue Green Stormwater Spine Project

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## **Executive Summary**

The San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) wishes to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS) to secure \$1.8 million in construction funding for the San Pablo Avenue Green Stormwater Spine Project (Project). The Project will create a series of demonstration green stormwater treatment facilities in the public right-of-way along San Pablo Avenue in seven cities within Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. The project assists in the implementation of the Comprehensive Conservation Management Plan for the San Francisco Estuary, while contributing to greener infill development and more sustainable, livable communities.

In November 2010, the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) accepted a CALTRANS proposal to collaborate with the SFEP to implement a series of stormwater treatment projects in seven cities along San Pablo Avenue in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. Under this arrangement, the Water Board will relieve CALTRANS of its remaining stormwater treatment mitigation obligations associated with the post-construction operations of the new eastern span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, if the Project results in at least seven acres of impervious area treated.

## **Recommended Action**

Adopt Resolution 17-12 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee to enter into the Cooperative Agreement with CALTRANS on behalf of ABAG/SFEP.

## **Next Steps**

Upon authorization, SFEP and ABAG Legal Counsel will circulate the agreement for execution by the Executive Director or his designee.