

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**

RESOLUTION NO. 20-09

ENDORISING PLANNING PROCESS OF LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), the region's Council of Governments, was formed as a joint powers agency by the 101 cities and nine counties of the Bay Area to address, among others, social, environmental and economic issues that transcend local borders; and

WHEREAS, ABAG is a local government as defined by 44 CFR sec. 201.2; and

WHEREAS, ABAG is the local government coordinating the update to the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan as required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and

WHEREAS, the mission of ABAG is to facilitate and strengthen cooperation and coordination among local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Planning Committee is a standing committee of ABAG charged with advising the Executive Board of ABAG on regional planning issues, including natural hazards mitigation and recovery, and

WHEREAS, the local governments of the Bay Area seek to maintain and enhance a disaster-resistant region by reducing the potential loss of life, property damage, and environmental degradation from natural disasters, while accelerating economic recovery from those disasters; and

WHEREAS, ABAG has been at the forefront of disaster mitigation and recovery efforts in the Bay Area for the last 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the planning process for the update to the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan was designed to encourage genuine, collaborative planning where local governments, special districts, residents and ABAG work together to identify regional hazards, mitigation strategies and mitigation priorities, and the ensure that through collaboration those identified needs are incorporated into a comprehensive regional plan, as well as local adopted plans and policies; and

WHEREAS, ABAG has led a successful planning process that included numerous public workshops over the last two years with ABAG's Regional Planning Committee, Hazard and Lifelines Committee, Hazards and Outreach Committee, local government staff, partnering agencies, and the public.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regional Planning Committee of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) hereby endorses the planning process and true collaborative effort for the Update to the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The foregoing adopted by the Regional Planning Committee this 2nd day of December, 2009.

Mark Green
Committee Chair

Certification of Regional Planning Committee Approval

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Regional Planning Committee of the Association of Bay Area Governments at a duly called meeting held on the 2nd day of December, 2009.

Kenneth Kirkey
Planning Director

Approved as To Legal Form

Kenneth K. Moy
Legal Counsel