

# A G E N D A

**ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING NO. 353**  
**Thursday, January 18, 2007, 7:00 PM**  
**METROCENTER AUDITORIUM**  
**101—8<sup>th</sup> Street (at Oak Street)**  
**Oakland, California**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT\*\***

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**ACTION:** Unless there is a request by a Board member to take up an item on the consent calendar separately, the calendar will be acted upon in one motion.

**A. Approval of Executive Board Summary Minutes\*\***

No. 352, November 16, 2006.

**B. Grant Applications\*\***

With Board consent, ABAG will transmit the attached list of federal grant applications to the State Clearinghouse. These applications were circulated in ABAG's "Intergovernmental Review Newsletter" since the last Executive Board meeting.

**C. Appointment to Committees**

President Dave Cortese will request the Board's approval of committee appointments to:

**Administrative Committee** (4 Appointments)\*

**Regional Planning Committee** (1 Appointment)\*

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\* Nominees pending. Names to be provided prior to Executive Board meeting.

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**Finance and Personnel Committee** (2 Appointments)\*

**Legislation and Governmental Organization Committee** (3 Appointments)\*

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission** (1 Appointment)\*

**D. Approval of Resolution No. 01-07 Entering Into Grant Agreement with State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) for TMDL Implementation \*\***

Approval of Resolution No. 01-07 is requested authorizing the Executive Director or designee to enter into a grant agreement with the State Water Board on behalf of ABAG/ San Francisco Estuary Project (SFEP) and its partners to implement specific high-priority water quality improvement actions identified in Bay Area Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for sediment, PCBs, and pesticides. The agreement will not exceed \$2,680,000, with a start date of January 15, 2007 and end date of March 1, 2010. ABAG will provide a \$25,000 in-kind services match.

**E. Ratification of Contract with Joan Patton, Consultant \*\***

Under terms of the ABAG/San Francisco Estuary Project agreement with the US Environmental Protection Agency, ABAG/SFEP issued a Request for Proposals to provide communication/ marketing services for Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) implementation. Ratification of the contract with the responsive consultant, Joan Patton, is requested. The contract will not exceed \$35,000 and the contract term is January 1 to December 31, 2007.

**F. Ratification of Contract Amendment with San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) \*\***

Ratification of a contract extension with SFEI from January 1, 2007, to January 31, 2007, to provide technical assistance for Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) implementation work funded by a US Environmental Protection Agency grant. This is a time extension only; the contract amount of \$58,000 remains the same.

**G. Ratification of Contract with San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) \*\***

Under terms of the ABAG/SFEP agreement with the State Coastal Conservancy, ABAG/SFEP issued a Request for Qualifications to provide technical writing/editing services for the San Francisco Bay Subtidal Habitat Goals Project. Ratification of the contract with one of the responsive consultants, SFEI, is requested. The contract will not exceed \$33,200 and the contract term is November 20, 2006 to November 19, 2007.

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**H. Ratification of Contract with Eleanor Ely, Consultant \*\***

Under terms of the ABAG/SFEP agreement with the State Coastal Conservancy, ABAG/SFEP issued a Request for Qualifications to provide technical writing/editing services for the San Francisco Bay Subtidal Habitat Goals Project. Ratification of the contract with one of the responsive consultants, Eleanor Ely, independent consultant, is requested. The contract will not exceed \$41,800 and the contract term is December 1, 2006, to November 30, 2007.

**I. Ratification of Amendment to an Agreement with the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) \*\***

Ratification of a contract amendment with BACWA by extending the contract end date from December 31, 2006, to May 31, 2007, and increasing the amount from \$95,000 to \$102,639, is requested. The funds will be used by ABAG/SFEP to assist the Regional Water Quality Control Board by providing additional staff resources that can focus on the development of TMDLs within the San Francisco Bay Region

**J. Authorization to Submit Grant Proposal to United States Department of Agriculture to Develop IPM Contracting Toolkit \*\***

Authorization is requested to submit a grant proposal entitled *Best Practices for Local* Department of Agriculture, and if funded, for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract to serve as the Lead Agency/Fiscal Sponsor, and participate in other capacities to be defined.

**K. Authorization to Submit Proposal to California Department of Pesticide Regulation for Funding to Develop Guidance for and Conduct Outreach to Public and Private Sector IPM Customers \*\***

Authorization is requested to submit a proposal to the California Department of Pesticide Regulation for \$66,500 to develop guidance materials and conduct outreach to public agency and private sector facilities managers on how to fulfill customer responsibilities to ensure the success of Integrated Pest Management services, and if funded, for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract to serve as the Lead Agency/Fiscal Sponsor, and participate in other capacities to be defined.

**L. Ratification of Subcontract with Wetlands and Water Resources, Inc. to Develop Strategy for Resolving Methyl Mercury and Low Dissolved Oxygen Events in Suisun Marsh \*\***

Ratification of a subcontract with Wetlands and Water Resources, Inc. to lead a team of scientific partners and manage and coordinate the research effort to determine best management practices for reducing Mercury methylation and low dissolved Oxygen in Suisun Marsh to improve water quality in managed wetlands in accordance with a grant from the State Water Resources Control Board is requested. The subcontract amount is \$323,970 and the subcontract period is from December 2006 through March 2009

**M. Re Authorization to Enter into a Subcontract with U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to Develop Strategy for Resolving Methyl Mercury and Low Dissolved Oxygen Events in Suisun Marsh \*\***

Authorization for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a subcontract with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) to provide slough hydrodynamics, water and soil grab sampling and analysis, developing statistical models, and report development that will assist with improving water quality in Suisun Marsh in accordance with a grant from the State Water Resources Control Board. The subcontract amount is \$95,000 and the subcontract period is from December 2006 through March 2009.

**N. Authorization to Enter into Subcontract with Moss Landing Marine Laboratory (MLML) to Develop Strategy for Resolving Methyl Mercury and Low Dissolved Oxygen Events in Suisun Marsh \*\***

Authorization for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a subcontract with the Moss Landing Marine Laboratory to develop best management practices, and statistical models and provide water and soil grab sampling analysis that will assist with improving water quality in Suisun Marsh in accordance with a grant from the State Water Resources Control Board. The subcontract amount is \$150,000 and the subcontract period is from December 2006 through March 2009.

**O. Authorization to Enter into Subcontract with Suisun Resource Conservation District (SRCD) to Develop Strategy for Resolving Methyl Mercury and Low Dissolved Oxygen Events in Suisun Marsh \*\***

Authorization for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a subcontract with the Suisun Resource Conservation District (SRCD) to provide CEQA documentation, landowner agreements, developing management practices, deploying hydrodynamic monitoring equipment that will assist with improving water quality in Suisun Marsh in accordance with a grant from the State Water Resources Control Board. The subcontract amount is \$ 75,000 and the subcontract period is from December 2006 through March 2009.

**P. Authorization to Enter into Subcontract with University of California, Davis, Department of Wildlife, Fish & Conservation Biology, to Develop Strategy for Resolving Methyl Mercury and Low Dissolved Oxygen Events in Suisun Marsh \*\***

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to enter into a subcontract with the U.C. Davis Department of Wildlife, Fish & Conservation Biology to conduct fish and invertebrate sampling and report development to assist with improving water quality in Suisun Marsh in accordance with a grant from the State Water Resources Control Board. The subcontract amount is \$ 73,030 and the subcontract period is from December 2006 through March 2009.

**Q. Ratification of Amendment to a Contract with San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) \*\***

Ratification is requested to extend a contract with SFEI from January 1, 2007, to December 31, 2007, to provide technical assistance for the Wetlands Tracker Expansion project; the work is funded by a US EPA grant. This is a time extension only; the contract amount of \$79,750 remains the same.

**R. Authorization to Amend Contracts with the California Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW) and the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation (SMBRF) \*\***

Authorization is requested for Executive Director or designee to amend the DBW contract by increasing the not to exceed amount to \$1,223,192.10, an increase of \$150,000.00. The time period of the contract will remain the same, with the contract ending on December 31, 2007. Terms included a pass-through contract to the SMBRF, the Estuary Project's counterpart. The San Francisco Estuary Project/ABAG will use \$60,000 to work with the boating community in the San Francisco Bay Delta Estuary. A pass-through contract for \$90,000 will go to the SMBRF to work with the boating community in Santa Monica Bay. The Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to amend the agreement with the SMBRF by increasing the amount not to exceed from \$132,000 to \$222,000 for carrying out the boater education program.

**S. Authorization to Solicit co-sponsorship funding for the Urban Pesticide Pollution Prevention (UP3) Project \*\***

ABAG/the San Francisco Estuary Project requests authorization to solicit funds from municipalities in support of the UP3 Project's pesticide Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) implementation. Funding would provide municipalities with technical assistance and organizational support services to prevent water pollution from pesticides. Funds collected would cover services not covered by State Water Resources Control Board grant funding. Funds would be deposited in a central account managed by ABAG and agencies would sign a Letter of Agreement. Funds collected may be greater than \$20,000, but are not expected to exceed \$100,000.

**T. Approval of 2004/2005 Hazardous Waste Data Analysis, Rankings, and Recommendations Contained in *Report Hazardous Waste Generation and Treatment Trends/San Francisco Bay Area/2004 and 2005 Manifest Data* \*\***

The Hazardous Waste Management Facility Allocation Committee (Committee) requests Executive Board approval of the 2004/2005 data analysis of regional hazardous waste generation vs. management capacity and related recommendations, which the Committee unanimously approved on November 17, 2006.

**U. Authorization to Enter Into Contract with Bobbi Sloan, Consultant \*\***

Under terms of the ABAG/SFEP agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, ABAG/SFEP issued a Request for Qualifications to provide graphic design and layout services for SFEP publications. The Board is

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requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract with one of the responsive consultants, Bobbi Sloan. The contract will not exceed \$17,000 and the contract term is January 1 to December 31, 2007.

**7. REGIONAL HOUSING NEED ALLOCATION PROPOSED METHODOLOGY – PUBLIC HEARING**

**Information/ACTION:** On November 18, 2006, ABAG released for public comment a Proposed RHNA Methodology for allocating the State mandated Regional Housing Need among local jurisdictions in the region. The Executive Board will conduct a public hearing on the Proposed RHNA Methodology. The public hearing concludes the public comment period.

**8. REGIONAL HOUSING NEED ALLOCATION – FINAL RHNA METHODOLOGY \*\***

**Information/ACTION:** Staff will report on the comments received on the Proposed RHNA Methodology, staff responses to comments, alternative methodologies and the recommendations of the Housing Methodology Committee. Staff will recommend changes to the Proposed RHNA Methodology for Executive Board approval.

**9. LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE (L&GO) REPORT \*\***

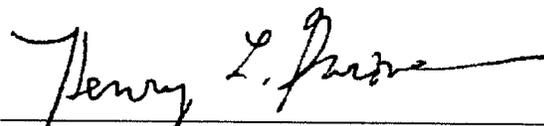
**Information/ACTION:** Chair will report on Committee activities.

**10. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL (F&P) COMMITTEE REPORT \*\***

**ACTION:** Chair Pete McHugh will report on Committee activities, including the following:

- A. Proposed Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Year 2007-08
- B. Proposed Increase in Executive Board/Committee Per Diem
- C. Executive Director Performance Appraisal Process

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

  
Henry L. Gardner, Secretary-Treasurer