

MEMO

TO: ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD

FROM: Judy Kelly, Director, San Francisco Estuary Partnership

DATE: March 7, 2013

RE: Request for Authorization to Ratify an Interagency Agreement with the Sonoma County Water Agency

Executive Summary

ABAG/SFEP has historically provided institutional support for the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board to assist with preliminary permit review for agency implementation of water quality projects within the San Francisco Bay-Delta region. We request ratification from the Executive Board for a new contract to fund a full time staff member to assist the Sonoma County Water Agency. The contract's scope of work calls for a dedicated ABAG staff to assist with processing applications for 401 Water Quality Certifications, Waste Discharge Requirements, programmatic maintenance, and Industrial Stormwater permits, and other Sonoma County Water Agency administered water quality protection activities under their National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Stormwater permit. The agreement is funded for the amount of \$ 336,628 and the agreement period is from March 2013 through June 2015. No ABAG match is required. The project will assist with implementation of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan for the San Francisco Estuary.

Recommended Action

Ratification of the agreement with the Sonoma County Water Agency approving the Executive Director or designee, entering into the interagency agreement with the Sonoma County Water Agency to provide technical staff resources to the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) for permit writing assistance.

Item 6.G.