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**ABAG Executive Board Meeting No. 331**

**Thursday, May 15, 2003, 7:30 p.m.**

**METROCENTER AUDITORIUM**

**101 8th St (at Oak St.)**

**Oakland, CA**

**call:**

**For additional information, please  
Ellie Cobbs (510) 464-7913**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Regalia will report on the recent Spring General Assembly and Status of ABAG/MTC Merger Discussions.

**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\*\***

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**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. Committee Appointments**

**President Regalia requests the Boards approval of the following Committee appointments:**

**Regional Planning Committee:**

- Supervisor Peter McHugh, Representing Santa Clara County
- Juliet Ellis, Executive Director, Urban Habitat Program, Representing Social Equity Interests

**Regional Agency Coordinating Committee (RACC)**

- Councilmember Millie Greenberg, Town of Danville

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\*\* Attachment included.

**D. Authorization to Submit Proposal to the National Science Foundation**

Authorization is requested to submit a proposal to the National Science Foundation as subcontractor to George Washington University (GWU)-"Sustainable Risk Management of Multi-Modal Port Infrastructure." The ABAG portion of the proposed two-year project is \$60,000. This effort will be to provide the Bay Area earthquake portion of a general risk assessment of cargo facilities at the Port of Oakland and ferry facilities at the Port of San Francisco. The entire GWU project also includes terrorism risk and covers the Port of New Orleans.

**E. Authorization to Amend a Contract with the Port of Oakland**

In May 2000, the Board authorized the Executive Director to enter into a contract with the Port of Oakland for ABAG and the San Francisco Estuary Project to provide technical support pertaining to permits and activities that are related to dredging projects. The Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to amend the contract by extending it for one year until June 30, 2004, and to increase the not to exceed amount from \$230,505 to \$330,505. No matching funds are required by ABAG. The contract assists with implementing the CCMP.

**F. Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Officer or designee to enter into a contract with the State Water Resources Control Board on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Project to provide technical and administrative oversight for small (under \$20,000) Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) that are approved through the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Regional Board) Mandatory Minimum Penalties. This contract will provide oversight similar to that already provided under a separate ABAG contract for SEPs that are approved through Administrative Civil Liabilities. This oversight will include compiling and maintaining a list of potential projects, assisting dischargers in selecting appropriate projects, monitoring selected projects, and expanding the public's awareness of the Regional Board's role in promoting environmental improvement projects. This contract will not exceed \$96,500 over a three-year period (2003-2006).

**G. Authorization to Amend a Cooperative Agreement with the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

In May 2002 the Board authorized the Executive Director to enter into a cooperative agreement with EPA on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Project to provide technical, public involvement, and administrative support in implementing the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan. The Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to amend the contract by extending it for one year until December 31, 2004, and to increase the not to exceed amount from \$410,000 to \$825,000. ABAG will provide a match of in-kind services in the amount of \$18,000. The CALFED Bay-Delta Program will provide an additional match in the amount of \$410,000.

**H. Authorization to Submit Grant Proposal to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)**

Authorization is requested to submit a Toll Bridge Reserve funding application to the MTC and if successful, to enter into an agreement with MTC in an amount up to \$186,000 for administration of the San Francisco Bay Trail Project. ABAG would provide up to \$79,700 in matching funds and in-kind services. ABAG has received grant funding from MTC each of the past several years.

**I. Resolution to Enter into a Contract with the State of California for Copper Brake Pad Partnership\*\***

As a result of a grant proposal to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Project and the Copper Brake Pad Partnership, \$700,000 has

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been awarded. SWRCB requires a resolution authorizing the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract with the State. An ABAG in-kind match of \$20,000 over a three-year period (2003-05) will be provided.

**J. Authorization to Submit a Proposal to the Regional Water Quality Control Board for Administration of Water Quality Planning Funds for the Preparation of Hydro Modification Plans by Local Governmental Agencies**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a proposal and, if awarded, to enter into an agreement with the Regional Water Quality Control Board for ABAG to administer funds for the preparation, by local governmental agencies, of Hydro Modification Plans (HMP). HMPs are a new requirement of jurisdictions, intended to determine the impact on streams and creeks of modifications, both increases and decreases, of storm water runoff. ABAG would administer a grant from the consolidated Propositions 13 and 50 and Clean Water Act 319 program funding process on a single and multi-jurisdictional basis to governmental agencies, which propose to prepare the required plans. The contract would not exceed \$500,000 over an expected two-year period. No matching funds are required.

**K. Authorization to Renew Database Administration (DBA) Contract with V-Soft**

At the May 2002 meeting, the Board approved the first annual contract amendment with V-Soft, Inc. to provide database administration services on an as needed basis to support all Oracle databases at ABAG, including Accounting, Mailing Labels and Claims Processing systems. V-Soft began providing the contracted services in May 2001 and has been compensated since May 1, 2002, at the contracted rate of \$83.17 per hour with a maximum 12-month total of not-to-exceed \$172,994. Based on the valued services V-soft delivered over the past year, staff is recommending extending the V-Soft contract for another 12 months with an adjustment to the hourly billing rate and the 12-month maximum total equal to the average Bay Area CPI change over the past 12 months. This consulting service contract with V-Soft is included in the current fiscal year overhead budget and will continue to be part of the overhead budget in FY 03-04.

**L. Authorization to Submit a Proposal to US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) for a 2003/04 Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic (PBT) Challenge Grant to Continue Implementation of Bay Area Dioxins Project Pollution Prevention Efforts**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a proposal and, if awarded, to enter into an agreement with the US EPA for ABAG to administer funds for the Bay Area Dioxins Projects Task Force. The anticipated tasks include assisting local governments expand their environmentally preferable purchasing policies for paper, conducting public outreach efforts, and doing dioxins pollution prevention research/providing information updates. ABAG will continue working the LWS and TDC Environmental Consulting. The contract would not exceed \$35,000 over an expected one-year period. A five- percent match is required. Local governments that participate in the Task Force will provide this match.

**M. Authorization to Submit a Proposal to US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) for a 2003/04 Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic (PBT) Challenge Grant to Coordinate/Assist with On-Going Regional Medical Waste Reduction Efforts**

Authorization is requested for the Executive Director or designee to submit a proposal and, if awarded, to enter into an agreement US EPA for ABAG to administer funds for the Bay Area Dioxins Projects Task Force. The anticipated tasks include staffing and facilitating the Health Care Pollution Prevention Work Group, printing medical waste reduction materials, providing technical assistance to localities, offering training and workshops that promote medical waste reduction and pollution prevention. ABAG will continue working the LWS and TDC Environmental Consulting. The contract would not exceed \$42,000 over an expected one-year period. A five- percent match is required. Local governments that participate in the Task Force will provide this match.

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**N. Authorization to Submit Proposal for "Analysis of Quaternary Mapping for Improved Liquefaction and Ground Shaking Hazard Mapping - San Francisco Bay Area"**

Authorization is requested to submit a proposal to the U.S. Geological Survey for funding, and if accepted, for the Executive Director or designee to enter into an agreement to expand and extend ABAG's efforts at mapping and analyzing liquefaction hazards for the San Francisco Bay Area. Although areas mapped as underlain by deposits with very high liquefaction susceptibility were clearly responsible for disproportionate damage to roads and pipelines in the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake, very little data, as well as conflicting information, are available for those units mapped as having high and moderate liquefaction susceptibility. The focus of this project is to gain a greater understanding about these units. The proposed project will start in Fall or Winter of 2003 and end 12 months later with a total budget of \$74,400 including an ABAG match of \$12,000 and \$12,000 of subcontract work.

**O. Authorization to Enter into Contract with the West Contra Costa County Wastewater District**

Authorization is requested to enter into a contract with the West Contra Costa County Wastewater District to receive and administer up to \$97,500 for Bay Trail construction in central Richmond. The funds are the result of a water quality violation fine, under the administrative oversight of the Regional Water Quality Control Board.

**P. Authorization to Enter into Contract with the California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS)**

Authorization to enter into a contract with the California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS) for a three hundred thousand dollar (\$300,000) Community Based Transportation Planning Grant for the Smart Growth Strategy/Regional Livability Footprint Project.

**7. STATE BUDGET UPDATE & MAY REVISE**

**Information:** Howard Roth, Chief Economist, California State Department of Finance will brief the Board on the May Revise and the state's fiscal outlook.

**8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO STATE FISCAL CRISIS**

**Information:** Steve Szalay, Executive Director, California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and Chris McKenzie, Executive Director of the League of California Cities will brief the Board on the local government activities and responses to state budget crisis and local government impact.

**9. REQUEST FROM ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE RE SUPPORT FOR ESTABLISHING ALTERNATE COMMISSION MEMBER POSITION TO METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC) GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE\*\***

The Alameda County Mayors' Conference has requested that agencies with appointments to MTC take a vote of its members to determine if it supports establishing an alternate position to the MTC. A representative from the Mayors' Conference will be present to support this request.

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

**ACTION:** L&GO Chair Rose Jacobs Gibson will report on Committee activities and ask Board approval of Committee recommendations on pending legislation.

**11. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT**

**ACTION:** Committee Chair Steve Rabinowitsh will report on activities of the Committee and will ask Board approval of Committee recommendations.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

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Eugene Y. Leong, Secretary-Treasurer

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