

ABAG

Programs and Projects

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Association of Bay Area Governments

Planning and Research

Key Projects

People, Places, and Prosperity

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State of the Region

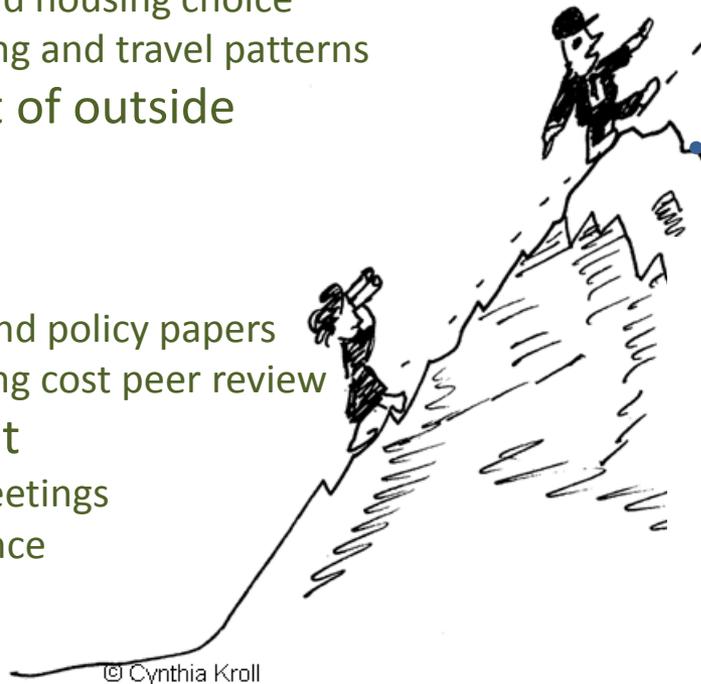
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ABAG's Research Program

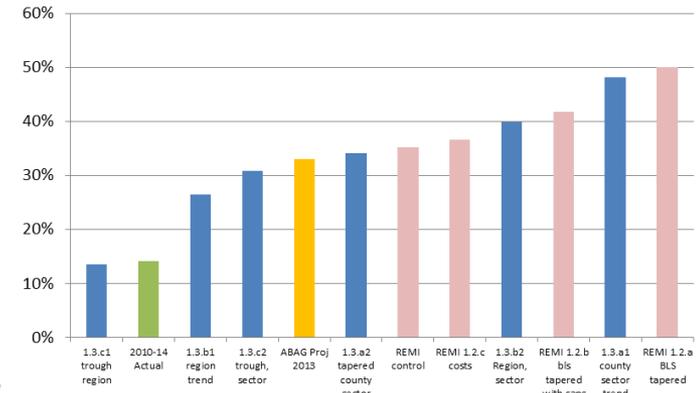
- Resource for detailed data on the region—*State of the Region* report (March 2015)
- Creates a 25 to 30 year regional forecast—*Plan Bay Area* (2013)
- Provides projection data for jurisdiction, PDA and census tract levels—*Projections series (Projections 2013)*
- Detailed analysis of critical trends
 - Senior housing choices
 - Affordable housing and travel patterns—*Transit Oriented Development and Affordable Housing* (September 2015)
 - Changing economic structure
 - Changing demographic structure and household formation
- Directs or advises on research component of other ABAG projects
 - Resilience
 - Housing affordability
- Participate in regional and state advisory councils to review other related analyses (BACEI, California Department of Finance, Housing and Community Development; review of research, forecasts, peer review for affordable housing cost study)
- Meets with the public to explain analysis, responds to public requests for information (meetings and presentations in all 9 counties).

ABAG's Research Program

- Regional forecast
- Detailed projections for jurisdictions, tracts
- Analytics for other programs (resilience, housing)
- In-house research
 - Demographics and housing choice
 - Affordable housing and travel patterns
- Regional oversight of outside analysis
 - DOF forecasts
 - HCD forecasts
 - BACEI research and policy papers
 - Affordable housing cost peer review
- Public engagement
 - Speeches and meetings
 - Technical assistance

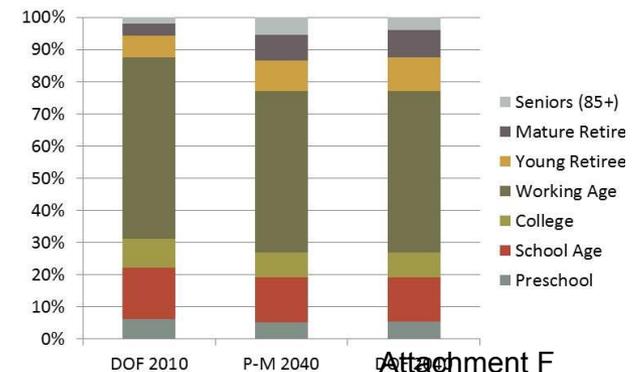


• Regional Forecast, *Projections*



Changing demographics and household formation

Age Distribution of Population 2010 and 2040



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The San Francisco Bay Trail

9 Counties, 47 Cities, 7 toll bridges, 500 Miles

Completion of a 500-mile continuous hiking and bicycling trail around the shoreline of San Francisco Bay for recreation and active transportation. Staff collaborate with local governments, provide technical assistance, promote the project to the public, advocate for gap completion, and administer planning and construction grant contracts with shoreline land managers. Over 340 miles are complete.

- Secured \$1 million block grant from State Coastal Conservancy adding to \$6 million ongoing grant program
- Adopted Bay Trail Strategic Plan (2013 – 2018)
- Launched four audio tours on new Bay Trail mobile phone application
- Released new Bay Trail map set of 25 boxed cards and the 2nd edition of the *San Francisco Bay Shoreline Guide*
- Coming in late 2015: New Bay Trail website; updated Bay Trail maps; detailed Bay Trail Design Guidelines



In the past five years, 30 new miles of Bay Trail have been completed in 8 counties.

Nearly 50% of those miles include 20 construction projects funded in part by Bay Trail grants.

San Francisco Bay Area Water Trail

Completion of a growing network of launching and landing sites in nine counties around San Francisco Bay for non-motorized small boats. Water Trail staff work with local jurisdictions and site owners to designate over 100 existing and planned sites for recreation on the Bay.



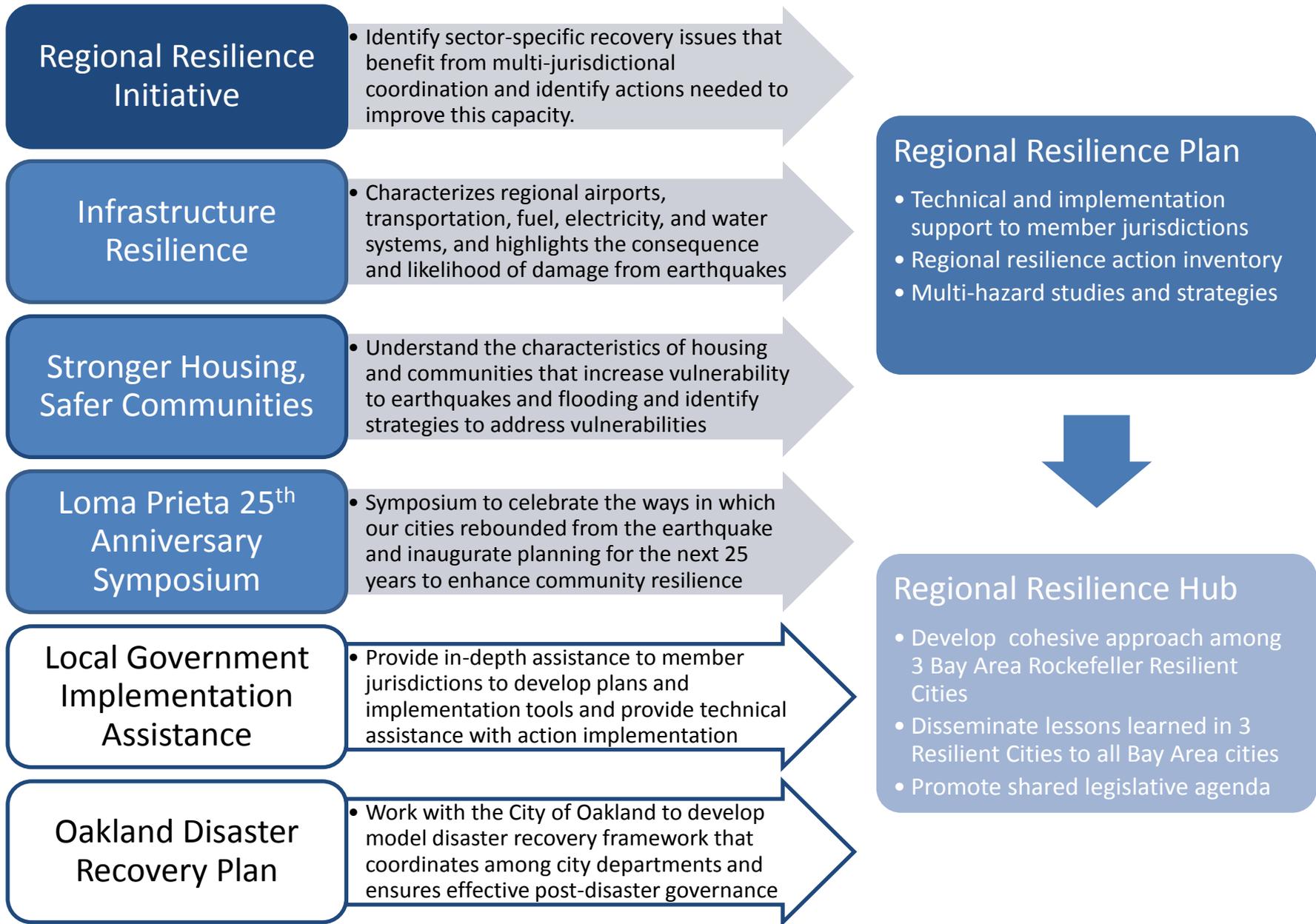
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TRAIL

- Secured \$1.75 million block grant from State Coastal Conservancy for Water Trail administration and competitive grants to site managers
- Launched the new Water Trail website, created a project logo, designed the Water Trail brochure and fabricated Water Trail signs
- Established a Water Trail Advisory Committee
- Designated 11 sites as part of the regional Water Trail system
- In the works: continue designation of sites; develop system for tracking site use; identify opportunities for multi-day trips



The Water Trail is a collaboration between ABAG, the State Coastal Conservancy, BCDC and the California Division of Boating and Waterways

- Resilience is *the capacity of communities to survive, adapt, and thrive in the face of stress and shocks, and even transform when conditions require it.*
- ABAG's Resilience Program
 - Contributes to the region's capacity to leverage climate and disaster resilience initiatives by partnering with member cities and counties and integrating efforts with long-range regional planning
 - Develops and disseminates scientific information in understandable and accessible ways to facilitate good policy and planning decisions
 - Provides model policies and programs for local governments to implement mitigation and recovery plans
 - Improves seismic resilience of housing through improved retrofits, better enforcement of codes, training and education, and identifying financial incentives





Bay Area Green Business Program

a technical subcommittee of the Hazardous Waste Management Facilities Allocation Committee



What We Do...

- regularly convene local coordinators to identify solutions to regional program issues, revise policy guidelines, introduce new program resources, share best practices, facilitate peer exchange
- provide administrative support and legal council

Major Program Accomplishments

- ✓ Founding member of statewide California Green Business Program
- ✓ Regional membership of over 2200 businesses; adding approx 150 new businesses each year
- ✓ Acquired \$250,000 in program funding from PG&E
- ✓ Supported successful effort formalizing the statewide program as a 501 c 3 non-profit corporation

The Bay Area Hazardous Waste Management Facility Allocation Committee

Since 1990 the HazWaste Committee has monitored and implemented a regional approach for siting hazardous waste treatment facilities.

Achievements

- New website with resources on Green Chemistry, Green Purchasing, Producer Responsibility, and legislation - <http://abaq.ca.gov/hazwaste>
- Kick-off of an ongoing Sustainable Processing of Electronics and Universal Waste study. Legislators, recyclers and counties elected officials are working together to investigate the feasibility of siting an E-waste Recycling Facility in the Bay Area

Next Steps

- Partnership with the Governor Office of Business Development and CA Dept of Toxic Substance Control
- Outreach webpage to inform and provide updates on the E-waste Recycling Facility project highlighting the constraints and opportunities for siting a facility in the region



The San Francisco Estuary Partnership

- Collaborative/non-regulatory/Federal-state-local funded
- Created, manages *Conservation & Management Plan* to restore the Estuary - \$85 M in grants/contracts last 5 yrs
- 12 staff; 40 + projects *Highlights:*

Trash Capture:

\$5M to 66 cities

San Pablo Stormwater Project:

\$5M to 7 East Bay cities

South Bay Mercury Remediation:

\$1.8 M to clean Guadalupe River



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Natural Gas Aggregation Program



Purpose: Supply natural gas to local government facilities

- 19TH Year of Operation (since 1996)
- 38 participant members (local agencies)
 - 783 Accounts

Program Goals:

- Cost Savings
- Price Stability
- Services to Communities
- Environmental Responsibility & Sustainability

BayREN

(Bay Area Regional Energy Network)

Purpose: Implement effective energy efficiency programs that benefit from regional cooperation among Bay Area local governments.



- Made up of public agencies representing all nine Bay Area counties
- Draws on the expertise and experience of local agencies and their staff
- One of only two regional energy networks in California
- Current Programs:
 - Single Family Residential
 - Multifamily Residential
 - Codes & Standards
 - Commercial PACE promotion
 - Pay As You Save (PAYS)

Economic Stimulus & Energy Savings Residential Programs



\$3.5 million

Estimated contractor wages
generated



\$9.8 million

Paid incentives



4,666

metric tons of CO2 conserved -
same emissions created by 982 passenger cars
and 5,011,815 pounds of burned coal

CivicSpark – Regional Partner



What is CivicSpark?

- A Governor's Initiative AmeriCorps program
- Dedicated to building capacity for local governments to address climate change
- 2014-15 was the inaugural year
- *CivicSpark* places teams in nine regions
 - 48 CivicSpark Members
 - 9 Regional Coordinators
 - 9 Regional Partners
 - Statewide leadership staff



Financial Services Programs Overview

The Agency's Financial Services has to date provided more than \$9 Billion in capital financing on behalf of its membership. The department's programs enable a broad range of public agencies and private organizations to be brought together to maximize resources, and open up the municipal bond market and other financing opportunities, providing better access to capital at low interest rates.

◆ Programs Activity

- More than \$9 Billion issued
- More than 200 jurisdictions served

ABAG Finance Authority for Nonprofit Corporations

◆ Health Care and Social Services

◆ Education

◆ Housing:

- Multi-family: More than 12,000 units in nearly 100 communities

ABAG PLAN Corporation

- 28 Bay Area Cities and Towns are covered by the ABAG Pooled Liability Assurance Network (PLAN) for:
 - ✓ General Liability
 - ✓ Property Insurance
 - ✓ Claims Management
 - ✓ Risk Management
 - ✓ Bond Coverage
- The pooled risk sharing agreement offers members significant premium savings.



- Members have access to
 - ✓ Grants for pedestrian safety, urban forest management, and ADA compliance.
 - ✓ Over the past five fiscal years (2010 - 2015), ABAG PLAN allocated \$7.9 million in grant funding to its members.
 - ✓ During this period, over \$5 million dollars was expended for Risk Management, Loss Control, and Safety needs.
 - ✓ PLAN helps effectively manage risk through implementation of best practices and loss control safety programs.

For more information about ABAG PLAN, visit the website at <http://abag.ca.gov/services/insurance.html>.



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