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ABAG

Date: August 30, 2013

To: Executive Board

From: Judy Kelly
Director, San Francisco Estuary Partnership

Subject: **Ratification of Submittal of Grant Proposal to California State Coastal Conservancy Climate Ready Grant Program for Climate Ready-Green Infrastructure Project**

Executive Summary

The San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) has submitted a grant application to the State Coastal Conservancy's Climate Ready Grant Program. This program is intended to support a range of climate change preparation and adaptation planning and implementation actions by local governments and non-governmental organizations. A total of \$1,500,000 is available for awards, with a maximum award amount of \$200,000. Applications were due on August 28, 2013.

SFEP partnered with the San Francisco Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (SFBNERR) and the West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project (WOEIP) to prepare the Climate Ready Green Infrastructure Project proposal. This proposed project requests \$165,190 to staff and expand the Low Impact Development Leadership Group and hold two Bay Area Climate Change and Green Infrastructure conferences. The project will also include related community outreach and engagement in West Oakland and the creation of Green Infrastructure communication pieces that emphasize its climate change adaptation benefits.

If Conservancy staff recommends the proposal for funding to its Board, SFEP will draft a Resolution for Executive Board approval that authorizes the ABAG Executive Director, or his designee, to negotiate and enter into an agreement with the Conservancy. The earliest possible Conservancy Board meeting at which projects will be considered is February 2014.

Recommended Action

The Executive Board is requested to ratify the submittal of a proposal by the San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) in response to the California State Coastal Conservancy's Climate Ready Grant Program for the Climate Ready-Green Infrastructure Project.