

**Association of Bay Area Governments
Notice of Public Hearing**

Bay Area local governments and residents are invited by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to comment on the 6th Cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) process. Under this process, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) identifies the total number of homes for which each region in California must plan in order to meet the housing needs of people at all income levels over an eight-year period. ABAG is responsible for developing a methodology to allocate a portion of this housing need to every local government in the Bay Area. In turn, each local government must update its Housing Element to demonstrate the sites, policies, and strategies necessary to meet the community's housing needs. More information about the RHNA process and RHNA subregions can be found on ABAG's website at: <https://abag.ca.gov/our-work/housing/rhna-regional-housing-needs-allocation>.

ABAG is soliciting comments on the following two components of the 6th Cycle RHNA process:

- 1) **Proposed RHNA Methodology:** The RHNA methodology is a formula that calculates the number of housing units assigned to each city and county, and the formula also distributes each jurisdiction's housing unit allocation among four affordability levels. The RHNA allocation must meet the statutory objectives of RHNA and be consistent with the forecasted development pattern from Plan Bay Area 2050.
- 2) **Draft Subregional Shares of Regional Housing Need:** As part of the RHNA process, local jurisdictions have the opportunity to form a subregion to conduct an allocation process that parallels, but is separate from, the regional process. ABAG is responsible for determining each subregion's share of housing need, and each subregion is then required to complete all of the statutory steps in the RHNA process to develop an allocation of housing units that meets the same statutory requirements as the regional allocation process, including consistency with Plan Bay Area 2050. Subregions have formed in Napa County (includes City of American Canyon, City of Napa, Town of Yountville, and the County of Napa) and in Solano County (includes all jurisdictions).

A public hearing to receive public testimony on these documents will be held during an upcoming meeting of the ABAG Regional Planning Committee. The public hearing is scheduled for:

Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. (Remotely)
Bay Area Metro Center
Board Room, 1st Floor
375 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA 94105

In light of Governor Newsom's State of Emergency declaration regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and in accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020 and the Guidance for Gatherings issued by the California Department of Public Health, the meeting will be conducted via webcast, teleconference, and Zoom for all participants. Detailed instructions on participating via Zoom are available at: <https://abag.ca.gov/meetings-events/meetings/how-provide-public-comment-board-meeting-zoom%C2%A0>. The meeting Zoom link and accessibility instructions will be posted to: <https://abag.ca.gov/meetings-events/public-hearing> no less than 72 hours prior to the hearing.

The proposed RHNA Methodology and Subregional Shares will be open for public comment beginning October 25, 2020. The proposed 6th Cycle RHNA Methodology and Subregional Shares materials will be posted on ABAG's website at: <https://abag.ca.gov/meetings-events/public-hearing>.

Written comments will be accepted until **12:00 noon, Friday, November 24, 2020** and may be submitted to the Association of Bay Area Governments and Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (ABAG-MTC) Public Information Office via e-mail to RHNA@bayareametro.gov or via USPS at 375 Beale St, Suite 800, San Francisco, CA 94105. Please include "*Proposed RHNA Methodology and Subregional Shares*" in the subject line. Oral testimony will be received until the close of the public hearing on November 12, 2020.

At the regularly scheduled November 12, 2020 meeting, the ABAG Regional Planning Committee will consider public comments on the proposed RHNA Methodology and Subregional Shares, which then will be referred to the ABAG Executive Board for final action. The ABAG Executive Board is slated to take action on the proposed items at the December 17, 2020 meeting.

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