

**Association of Bay Area Governments
Housing Committee**

January 7, 2021

Agenda Item 8.a.

Regional Early Action Planning Grants

Subject: Allocation of \$4.2 million in Regional Early Action Planning funds to Subregional Planning Collaboratives

Overview: The State is providing \$23.9 million in Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grants to ABAG to collaborate with local Bay Area jurisdictions on planning efforts that have a broad regional impact on housing. This funding complements almost \$50 million in funding from the state directly to local Bay Area jurisdictions in the form of SB 2 Grants and Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) Grants to support housing planning.

ABAG has received an initial REAP grant disbursement of \$5.9 million, more than half of which has been budgeted for supplemental allocations to local jurisdictions, including \$480,000 in initial support for largely county-based Subregional Planning Collaboratives. ABAG must apply for the approximately \$18 million balance of the grant award before January 31, 2021.

In November, the ABAG Executive Board approved assignment of \$4.2 million of the balance of the grant award to supplement the \$480,000 in initial support for Subregional Planning Collaboratives. The Executive Board further directed staff to return with recommended allocations of the \$4.2 million for each county. Staff's recommendations are outlined in Attachment A.

Additionally, staff will present an update on the recent release of a simplified joint call for Letters of Interest for approximately \$12 million in local REAP and PDA Planning Grants.

Issues: None

Recommended Action: The ABAG Housing Committee is requested to recommend ABAG Executive Board approval of the allocation of \$4.2 million in Subregional Early Action Planning funds to Regional Planning Collaboratives.

Attachments: A. Memo Subregional Planning Collaborative Allocations
B. Presentation

Reviewed:



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