



President's Report

ABAG Executive Board

Thursday, February 20, 2020

I was invited by MTC Chair Haggerty to attend the Metropolitan Transportation Commission workshop on January 30, 2020.

- The Commission received a report on “MTC-ABAG Governance: Update and Discussion” which generated robust discussion among the Commissioners and raised issues that will be shared with the Executive Board.
- Staff will give the same presentation later on this agenda and the Executive Board will have an opportunity for discussion.

The ABAG Executive Board met jointly with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a workshop on January 31, 2020.

The ABAG Executive Board and the Commission received the following reports:

- Plan Bay Area 2050
 - Staff provided background information bridging the Horizon scenario planning work with the recent evaluation of Plan Bay Area strategies.
 - Commissioners and Executive Board members provided direction on the strategies to pursue for the Plan Bay Area Blueprint.
 - A significant focus of the discussion was on the growth framework and housing strategies given their significant policy ramifications in terms of meeting the region's greenhouse gas emission and affordability goals, as well as intersectionality with the current Sixth Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) methodology discussions.
- Implementation of AB1487, San Francisco Bay Area Regional Housing Finance Act
 - Staff provided an overview of the Bay Area Regional Housing Finance Act and reviewed key considerations related to placement of a measure on the November 2020 ballot.
 - The Nonprofit Housing Association of Northern California (NPH) presented polling results.
 - Board members discussed considerations related to placing a regional housing measure on the ballot in 2020, including what information is needed before making a final decision and the outreach approach with local jurisdictions and stakeholders that could inform such a decision.
 - The discussion also considered parallel conversations related to a regional transportation revenue.

This concludes the report.

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