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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

ABAG Executive Board May 19, 2022

KEY HIGHLIGHTS FOR MAY 2022:

The **BayREN Business Plan and Budget** request was filed at the CA Public Utilities Commission in early March. The Plan includes an expansion of the portfolio to include a new workforce program designed for low-income youth that provides training, paid internships and job placements in the clean economy, new public sector programs focused on support for decarbonizing municipal buildings, and a refrigerant replacement program for small food service establishments. The portfolio has a greater emphasis on equity programs. The budget request has increased to approximately \$38 – 45 mil during the Plan years of 2024-2031.

Items to Note

The General Assembly will be held on June 17, with the conference starting at 9 a.m. and the business meeting at 11:00am. A quorum is needed for the business meeting. Registration is available at https://abag2022ga.eventbrite.com

The **2022 Bay Area Summer Academy** received 109 applicants, compared to around 50 last year. MTC, ABAG, the Air District, and BCDC will put on a paid remote learning experience to encourage youth, particularly those from underrepresented backgrounds, to learn about regional governments and consider a career in public service.

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