

Association of Bay Area Governments

Executive Board

July 18, 2019

Agenda Item 6.e.

San Francisco Estuary Partnership

Subject: Authorizations related to the Association of Bay Area Governments' (ABAG) Integrated Regional Water Management Disadvantaged Community and Tribal Involvement Program (IRWM DACTIP) Grant

Background: On May 16, 2019, the Executive Board authorized the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), or her designee, to enter into contracts up to \$200,000 each with 8-13 community partners, to conduct outreach and to develop the project needs assessment related to the IRWM DACTIP grant. This item provides detailed information about those community partners and requests approval for entering into a contract with the California Indian Environmental Alliance (CIEA) for up to \$1,000,000.

ABAG is being awarded \$3,020,000 in grant funding from the California Department of Water Resources' IRWM Disadvantaged Community Involvement Program funded by California Proposition 1. As described in more detail in the May Executive Board agenda materials, the previous grantee was issued a stop work order and previously initiated projects will restart once ABAG has completed contracting to serve as the new grantee. This work will fund local community partners to work with disadvantaged, underrepresented, and tribal communities throughout the Bay Area to conduct needs assessments to identify water-related needs and solutions. The goal of this work is to identify projects in these communities that could be proposed in future rounds of funding and to integrate these communities into the IRWM program funding and management process. This work included significant outreach to local community groups and was to be followed with technical development of projects for proposals as early as 2020.

To complete this work with disadvantaged communities, ABAG will contract with the local project partners listed below. An initial authorization was issued at the May Executive Board meeting. As full details were not yet available at that time, this item presents the remainder of the required information for entering into subcontracts. ABAG reviewed the list of initially contracted organizations selected by the previous grantee, Environmental Justice Coalition for Water, and confirmed which were willing and able to continue work. The agreement term will pick up where the stop work order left off i.e., April 25, 2019 through December 31,

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2020. Subcontracts with these local community partners and their not-to-exceed budgets are as follows:

- Marin County Community Development Commission—\$15,000;
- Friends of Sausal Creek—\$25,000;
- Nuestra Casa—\$35,000;
- Greenaction—\$35,000;
- The Watershed Project—\$30,000;
- Shore Up Marin—\$40,000;
- Institute for Sustainable Policy Studies and Action—\$40,000;
- Contra Costa Resource Conservation District—\$55,000;
- Sonoma Ecology Center on behalf of Daily Acts—\$70,000.

The May authorization request included subcontracts up to \$200,000.

An additional authorization is requested for a subcontract with the California Indian Environmental Alliance (CIEA) for \$1,000,000 to conduct needs assessments with Bay Area tribes and tribal organizations. CIEA has worked with tribes and tribal organizations throughout California to conduct needs assessments for the IRWM program and is prepared to bring such expertise to this project.

Issues:

None

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Recommended Action: The Executive Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, or her designee, on behalf of the Association of Bay Area Governments and the San Francisco Estuary Partnership, to enter into subcontracts to conduct outreach and to develop project needs assessment, between April 25, 2019 and December 31, 2020, with the following organizations for up to the listed amounts:

- Marin County Community Development Commission—up to \$15,000;
- Friends of Sausal Creek—up to \$25,000;
- Nuestra Casa—up to \$35,000;
- Greenaction—up to \$35,000;
- The Watershed Project—up to \$30,000;
- Shore Up Marin—up to \$40,000;
- Institute for Sustainable Policy Studies and Action—up to \$40,000;
- Contra Costa Resource Conservation District—up to \$55,000;
- Sonoma Ecology Center on behalf of Daily Acts—up to \$70,000;
- California Indian Environmental Alliance—up to \$1,000,000.

Attachments: Summary Approval

Reviewed:



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