

Association of Bay Area Governments

Housing Methodology Committee

September 18, 2020

Agenda Item 5.a.

Recommending a Proposed RHNA Methodology

Subject: Recommending a Proposed RHNA Methodology

Background: The Housing Methodology Committee's (HMC) objective is to recommend to the Executive Board an allocation methodology for dividing up the Bay Area's Regional Housing Need Determination among the region's jurisdictions. This Regional Housing Needs Allocation (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 five statutory objectives of RHNA¹ and be consistent with the forecasted development pattern from Plan Bay Area 2050.²

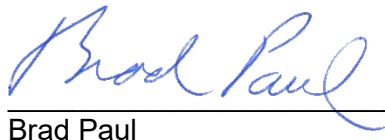
At the August 13th HMC meeting, the HMC came to consensus to move forward with using **2050 Households from the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint** as the baseline allocation and the **Bottom-Up** income allocation approach as the foundation for the RHNA methodology. At the September 4th meeting, the HMC came to consensus about four methodology options and a potential "equity adjustment" to consider for the proposed methodology.

Issues: At the September 18th meeting, the HMC will discuss the remaining methodology options and vote on a recommendation for the proposed RHNA methodology.

Recommended Action: The ABAG Housing Methodology Committee is requested to recommend a proposed RHNA methodology.

Attachment: Memo Recommending a Proposed RHNA Methodology
Appendix 1 – Allocations by Income
Appendix 2 – Total Allocations
Appendix 3 – Maps of Methodology Options
Appendix 4 – Data Table
Appendix 5 – Equity Adjustment Impact
Appendix 6 – Performance Metrics

Reviewed:


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¹ [Government Code Section 65584\(d\).](#)

² [Government Code Section 65584.04\(m\)\(1\).](#)