What is BARC? A Brief Overview

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Mission Statement

(from proposed 2025 Organizational Plan) BARC is a consortium of regional and state agencies working together to identify and prioritize critical regional issues, catalyze regional action, and raise up a cohesive voice to enable advocacy and the delivery of resources to the Bay Area. BARC Authorizing Legislation • Original Legislation- SB 849 in 2004 mandates a "Joint Policy Committee" of board members from ABAG, Air District and MTC to coordinate policy and planning.

 Amended Legislation- AB 2094 in 2008 added BCDC board members to the Joint Policy Committee and expanded policy and planning coordination to include climate change and sea level rise A Collaboration of Public Entities Its governance is managed by agreements between the regional public entities* named in the authorizing legislation. The state legislation did not authorize how BARC is to be governed:

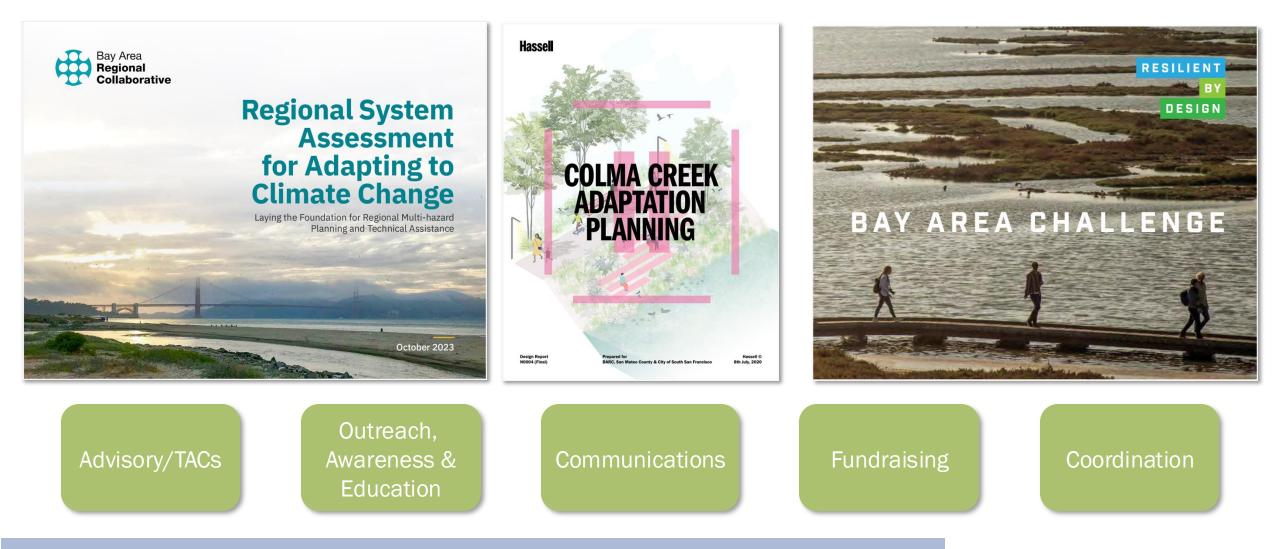
- 2015 Organizational Plan- Sets forth purpose, guiding principles and governing process for BARC
- 2019 Employment MOU- Makes MTC the employer of record for BARC employees.
- Annual Funding MOU- BARC employees have the same CaIPERS defined benefit plan as other MTC employees.
- Flood and Sea Level Rise MOU BARC is given specific roles and tasks in an agreement between ABAG, BCDC, Air District, Caltrans District 4, State Coastal Conservancy, MTC and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board.

*In 2019 the Governing Board unanimously invited non-voting members: The State Coastal Conservancy, The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board. Caltrans D4 has long participated since BARC inception.

BARC has a Governing Board of Elected Officials

- BARC's Governing Board includes representatives from the commissions and boards of the BARC member agencies.
- Executive leaders from non-voting (adjunct) members participate in Board meetings.
- Each Member Agencies' Board or commission shall elect four representatives to serve one or more annual terms, which begin on February 1 of each year.
- The Member agencies collaborate to ensure that there is at least one Governing Board member for each of the nine Bay Area Counties.
- BARC Governing Board serves as the venue in which cross-cutting regional issues, activities and priorities are shared, vetted, and discussed

BARC Initiatives, Projects, and Work



BARC Resilience Accomplishments

