

AMBAG

Board of Directors Agenda

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Meeting Via GoToWebinar

DATE: August 11, 2021

TIME: 6:00 PM

Please register for the AMBAG Board of Directors meeting at

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9169876814754207757>

The AMBAG Board of Directors The meeting will be conducted via GoToWebinar in light of Governor Newsom’s State of Emergency declaration regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and in accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 and the shelter in place directive. The AMBAG Board of Directors will participate in the meeting from individual remote locations. We apologize in advance for any technical difficulties.

Members of the public will need to attend the meeting remotely via GoToWebinar.

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If you have any questions, please contact Ana Flores, Senior Executive Assistant at aflores@ambag.org or at 831-883-3750.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
 2. ROLL CALL
 3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
(A maximum of three minutes on any subject not on the agenda)

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Executive/Finance Committee**
Recommended Action: INFORMATION
• **President McShane**

Receive oral report.

- B. Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS) Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting**
Recommended Action: DIRECT
• **President McShane**

The next SAC meeting is scheduled on August 20, 2021.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Recommended Action: INFORMATION**
• **Maura Twomey, Executive Director**

Receive oral report.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- Recommended Action: APPROVE**

Note: Actions listed for each item represents staff recommendation. The Board of Directors may, at its discretion, take any action on the items listed in the consent agenda.

- A. Draft Minutes of the June 9, 2021 AMBAG Board of Directors Meeting**
• **Ana Flores, Senior Executive Assistant**

Approve the draft minutes of the June 9, 2021 AMBAG Board of Directors meeting. (Page 5)

- B. AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter**
• **Miranda Taylor, Planner**

Accept the clearinghouse monthly newsletter. (Page 11)

- C. AMBAG Sustainability Program Update**
• **Amaury Berteaud, Special Projects Manager**

Accept the AMBAG Sustainability Program update. (Page 21)

D. Draft Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2021-22 Monterey Bay Region Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget

- Bhupendra Patel, Ph.D., Director of Modeling

Approve Draft Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2021-22 OWP and Budget. (Page 25)

E. Formal Amendment No. 3 to the Monterey Bay Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP): FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24

- Sasha Tepedelenova, Associate Planner

Approve Formal Amendment No. 3 to the Monterey Bay Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP): FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24. (Page 27)

F. 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Update

- Heather Adamson, Director of Planning

Accept the update on the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS). (Page 35)

G. Financial Update Report

- Errol Osteraa, Director of Finance & Administration

Accept the financial update report which provides an update on AMBAG's current financial position and accompanying financial statements. (Page 39)

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

9. PLANNING

A. 2021 Title VI Plan

Recommended Action: APPROVE

- Miranda Taylor, Planner

The Board of Directors is asked to approve the 2021 Title VI Plan. (Page 45)

B. 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation Methodology

Recommended Action: INFORMATION

- Heather Adamson, Director of Planning

The Board of Directors is asked to discuss potential methodology options for the 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation. (Page 49)

10. ADJOURNMENT

REFERENCE ITEMS:

- A. 2021 Calendar of Meetings (Page 67)
- B. Acronym Guide (Page 69)

NEXT MEETING:

The 2021 AMBAG Board of Directors meeting locations are subject to change and may be held remotely in light of Governor Newsom's State of Emergency declaration regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and in accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 and the shelter in place directives.

Date: September 8, 2021

Location: GoToWebinar

Executive/Finance Committee Meeting: 5:00 PM

Board of Directors Meeting: 6:00 PM

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DRAFT
MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
ASSOCIATION OF MONTEREY BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

June 9, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, President, Steve McShane presiding, convened at 6:01 p.m. Wednesday, June 9, 2021 via GoToWebinar.

2. ROLL CALL

<u>AMBAG Board of Directors</u>			
PRESENT:			
Agency	Representative	Agency	Representative
Capitola	Kristen Petersen	County of Monterey	Mary Adams
Carmel-by-the-Sea	Karen Ferlito	County of Santa Cruz	Greg Caput
Gonzales	Scott Funk	County of Santa Cruz	Manu Koenig
Greenfield	Lance Walker	County of San Benito	Bea Gonzales
Hollister	Rick Perez	County of San Benito	Bob Tiffany
King City	Carlos Victoria		
Monterey	Ed Smith	<u>Ex-Officio Members:</u>	
Pacific Grove	Jenny McAdams	3CE	JR Killigrew
Salinas	Steve McShane	MBARD	Richard Stedman
San Juan Bautista	John Freeman	MPAD	Michael La Pier
Sand City	Mary Ann Carbone	SBtCOG	Veronica Lezama
Santa Cruz	Justin Cummings		
Scotts Valley	Jack Dilles		
Seaside	Jon Wizard		
Soledad	Carla Strobridge		
Watsonville	Eduardo Montesino		
ABSENT:			
Del Rey Oaks	Kim Shirley	Caltrans, District 5	Scott Eades
Marina	Lisa Berkley	MST	Lisa Rheinheimer
County of Monterey	John Phillips	SCCRTC	Guy Preston
		SC METRO	Alex Clifford
		TAMC	Debbie Hale

Others Present: Dawn Hayes, Superintendent, MBNMS; William Sabo; Beth Jarosz, PRB Consultant; Heather Adamson, Director of Planning; Bhupendra Patel, Director of Modeling; Paul Hierling, Senior Planner; Miranda Taylor, Planner; Will Condon, Planner; Gina Schmidt, GIS Coordinator; Amaury Berteaud, Special Projects Manager; Diane Eidam; Maura Twomey, Executive Director; and Ana Flores, Senior Executive Assistant.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no oral or written communications from the public.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no oral or written communications from the Board.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive/Finance Committee

President McShane reported that the Executive/Finance Committee approved the consent agenda that included 1) the minutes of the May 12, 2021 meeting; 2) list of warrants as of March 31, 2021; and 3) accounts receivable as of March 31, 2021. The Executive/Finance Committee also received 1) financial update report from Maura Twomey, Executive Director; 2) a report on the draft 2021 Title VI Plan; and 3) a report on the 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation schedule and process.

B. Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS) Advisory Council (SAC)

President McShane stated that Director Jenny McAdams will be attending the June 18, 2021 SAC meeting. The SAC will be discussing a recommendation to the Administration regarding the terms for alternates on the SAC. There will be a presentation on climate change and adaptation in the Sanctuary and a presentation on whale ship strikes.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The AMBAG office will be open as of July 6, 2021 with appropriate safety protocols continuing as necessary for staff. As teleworking has proven effective at accomplishing our work over the past year, employees will be allowed to telework as appropriate for their position and workload. Also, we are planning to transition to in person Board meetings consistent with State and local health mandates and Brown Act requirements, potentially in August or September 2021. AMBAG is committed to providing a safe meeting environment for our Directors, employees, and public. AMBAG will make the necessary accommodations within the construct of the statute and State and local health directives.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Draft Minutes of the May 12, 2021 AMBAG Board of Directors Meeting

The draft minutes of the May 12, 2021 AMBAG Board of Directors meeting were approved.

B. AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter

The AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter was accepted.

C. AMBAG Sustainability Program Update

The AMBAG Sustainability Program Update was accepted.

D. Extension of Legal Services Contract

The legal services contract extension was approved.

E. Memorandum of Understanding between the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, the High Sierra Energy Foundation, the Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA), the San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization, the County of San Luis Obispo, the Sierra Business Council, and the County of Ventura for the development of the Rural Regional Energy Network

The Memorandum of Understanding between the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, the High Sierra Energy Foundation, the Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA), the San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization, the County of San Luis Obispo, the Sierra Business Council, and the County of Ventura for the development of the Rural Regional Energy Network was approved.

F. Financial Update Report

The financial update report was accepted.

Motion made by Director Smith seconded by Director Caput to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

None.

10. ADMINISTRATION

A. Draft 2021 Title VI Plan

Miranda Taylor, Planner, gave a presentation of the draft 2021 Title VI Plan. The draft 2021 Title VI Plan is 1) a Federal and State planning requirement; 2) AMBAG is required to prepare and adopt a Title VI Plan every three years; 3) this is AMBAG's third Title VI Plan for the Monterey Bay region and includes a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan; and 4) covers a three-year period from 2021-2024. Ms. Taylor added that the Title VI notice, Title VI Compliant Procedures and Title VI compliant forms are in English, Spanish, Tagalog, Chinese, Vietnamese and Korean. AMBAG staff will present the draft plan to various committees and working groups in the region and will be brought back to the AMBAG Board for approval at their August 11, 2021 Board of Directors meeting. Brief discussion followed.

Motion made by Director Freeman, seconded by Director Adams to approve the release of the Draft 2021 Title VI Plan for a 30-day public review period. Motion passed unanimously.

B. 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation Schedule and Process

Heather Adamson, Director of Planning gave a report on the 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) schedule and process. Ms. Adamson reported that with the passage of SB 375, RHNA is updated every eight years or every two MTP/SCS cycles. The RHNA process consists of 1) The RHNA determination and assessment. AMBAG consults with the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the Department of Finance (DOF) regarding the total regional housing need. AMBAG is scheduled to receive a 2023-2031 regional housing need

needs determination from HCD in August 2021; 2) RHNA Distribution/Allocation. AMBAG is responsible for developing a method to allocate the housing need amongst all of the jurisdictions within the COG region and the 2023-2031 RHNA methodology and plan are developed. HCD will then review the plan; and 3) RHNA Planning. The local jurisdictions must update their housing elements as necessary to accommodate the regional housing allocations. The RHNA schedule consists of 1) Spring/Summer 2021: AMBAG early consultation with HCD on 6th Cycle RHNA; 2) Spring/Summer 2021: discussions with PDF on methodology options and factors; 3) July 2, 2021: Jurisdictions receive RHNA survey on local planning factors; 4) August 16, 2021: RHNA survey due from jurisdictions; 5) August 2021: Regional Housing Needs Determination expected from HCD; 6) September 2021: HCD presents at AMBAG Board meeting; 7) Summer – Winter 2021: RHNA methodology options discussed by AMBAG Board; 8) November 2021: selection of proposed methodology by AMBAG Board; 9) November 2021 – January 2022: HCD reviews draft methodology; 10) January/February 2022: approval of final RHNA methodology by AMBAG Board; 11) January/February 2022: release draft RHNA plan with RHNA allocations by jurisdiction for public comment; 12) May 2022: AMBAG releases final MTP/SCS accommodating RHNA; 13) June 2022: Adoption of final RHNA plan and allocations by AMBAG Board; and 14) December 2023: Jurisdiction's 6th Cycle Housing Elements are due to HCD.

What's new with the 6th Cycle RHNA 1) SB 828, AB 1771 and AB 686 led to increased RHNA allocations and additional issues that must be addressed, such as, 1) vacancy rates; 2) overcrowding; 3) higher than average housing cost burdens than comparable regions; 4) prohibits the use of previous underproduction of housing or stable population growth to reduce RHNA goals; and 5) requires RHNA methodologies to promote fair housing and reduce income and racial segregation when allocating housing. The five RHNA objectives are 1) increase housing supply and mix of housing types; 2) promote infill, equity, and environment; 3) ensure jobs housing balance and fit; 4) promote regional income parity; and 5) affirmatively further fair housing. The twelve RHNA factors are 1) jobs and housing relationship; 2) infrastructure availability of land, preserved land; 3) maximizing transit and transportation infrastructure; 4) directing growth toward incorporated areas; 5) loss of assisted housing units; 6) loss of units during emergency; 7) high housing cost burdens; 8) rate of overcrowding; 9) farmworkers housing needs; 10) housing needs of college students; 11) SB 375 GHG reduction targets; and 12) other factors. AMBAG staff will continue to 1) collect input and begin assessing data for associated allocation methods; 2) consult with the Planning Directors and Board of Directors on RHNA methodology development; 3) jurisdiction survey will be sent out in early July with responses due in mid-August; and 4) HCD scheduled to issue RHNA determination to AMBAG in August.

Director Cummings asked what are the consequences of not building the units required by RHNA?

Heather Adamson stated that most jurisdictions in the state don't build their RHNA units, its only required they plan for the units in their housing elements. Another issue HCD is pushing back on jurisdictions double counting units built in the 5th cycle for their 6th cycle.

Director Wizard asked if the RHNA data in #4 (Policies directing growth toward incorporated areas) based on recent ACS data?

Heather Adamson stated that it's based on latest data possible, we have the latest data from our Regional Growth Forecast approved in November 2020.

Director Wizard asked for the relationship between jobs and housing, does it consider regional jobs housing balances?

Heather Adamson stated, yes. In the last RHNA we looked at subregional areas. Another thing jurisdictions are considering is transit access for the methodology which would fulfill these criteria.

Director Carbone asked if some state funds help convert hotels to housing. The City of Salinas has six hotels near the airport that have been converted. Will that help the City of Salinas? It helps the homeless and farmworkers.

Heather Adamson stated that we consider student and farmworker housing in the process but not normally homelessness. This would normally apply to counting towards achieving a jurisdictions housing element.

Director McAdams asked if vacancy rates include second home ownership and what data is being used for these other criteria?

Heather Adamson replied yes.

Beth Jarosz stated that data has to come from ACS to meet the goals and objectives. For other data such as AFFH, six other regions have used an opportunity map data set from HCD for the criteria. Employment can use a variety of data sources to inform that part of the methodology, and AMBAG has some very good data they've spent a lot of time groundtruthing.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Steve McShane, President

Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

DRAFT AMBAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ATTENDANCE & VOTING RECORD
BOARD MEETING DATE: June 9, 2021

Attendance (X= Present; AB= Absent) Voting (Y= Yes; N=No; A=Abstain)				
MEMBER	AMBAG REP	Attendance	Item# 8	Item# 10.A
Capitola	Kristen Petersen	X	Y	Y
Carmel-by-the-Sea	Karen Ferlito	X	Y	Y
Del Rey Oaks	Kim Shirley	AB	N/A	N/A
Gonzales	Scott Funk	X	Y	Y
Greenfield	Lance Walker	X	Y	Y
Hollister	Rick Perez	X	Y	Y
King City	Carlos Victoria	X	Y	Y
Marina	Lisa Berkley	AB	N/A	N/A
Monterey	Ed Smith	X	Y	Y
Pacific Grove	Jenny McAdams	X	Y	Y
Salinas	Steve McShane	X	Y	Y
San Juan Bautista	John Freeman	X	Y	Y
Sand City	Mary Ann Carbone	X	Y	Y
Santa Cruz	Renee Golder	X	Y	Y
Scotts Valley	Jack Dilles	X	Y	Y
Seaside	Jon Wizard	X	Y	Y
Soledad	Carla Strobridge	X	Y	Y
Watsonville	Eduardo Montesino	X	Y	Y
County-Monterey	Mary Adams	X	Y	Y
County-Monterey	John Phillips	AB	N/A	N/A
County-Santa Cruz	Manu Koenig	X	Y	Y
County-Santa Cruz	Greg Caput	X	Y	Y
County-San Benito	Bob Tiffany	X	Y	Y
County-San Benito	Bea Gonzales	X	Y	Y

(* = Board Member(s) arrived late or left early, therefore, did not vote on the item. Please refer the minutes)



MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Miranda Taylor, Planner

SUBJECT: AMBAG Regional Clearinghouse Monthly Newsletter

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors accept the June-July 2021 Clearinghouse monthly newsletter.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Since March 12, 1984, under adopted State Clearinghouse Procedures, the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) was designated the regional agency responsible for clearinghouse operations in Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties. These procedures implement Presidential Executive Order 12372 as interpreted by the "State of California Procedures for Intergovernmental Review of Federal Financial Assistance and Direct Development Activities." They also implement the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 as interpreted by CEQA Guidelines.

The purpose of the Clearinghouse is to provide all interested parties within the Counties of Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz notification of projects for federal financial assistance, direct federal development activities, local plans and development projects and state plans that are proposed within the region. These areawide procedures are intended to be coordinated with procedures adopted by the State of California.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no direct financial impact. Staff time for monitoring clearinghouse activities is incorporated into the current AMBAG Overall Work Program and budget.

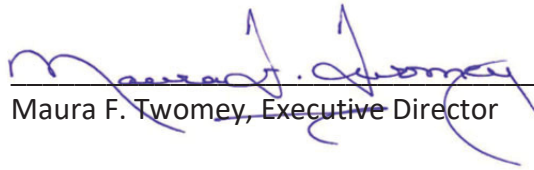
COORDINATION:

Notices for the Clearinghouse are sent by lead agencies to AMBAG. Interested parties are sent email notifications twice a month with the newsletter attached.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Monthly Newsletter - Clearinghouse items June 1– July 31, 2021.

APPROVED BY:



Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

Attachment 1

AMBAG REGIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE

The AMBAG Board of Directors will review these items on 8/11/2021

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

20210601 – Carr Restoration and Park Development
City of Salinas Thomas Wiles (831) 758-7206
Notice of Intent (NOI) / Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
General Plan Amendment 2020-001, Rezone 2020-001, and Site Plan Review 2020-006 The Big Sur Land Trust is proposing to establish and construct a new park and recreational facility located on 73 acres at 618 Sherwood Drive in the Agricultural – Flood Overlay (A-F) Zoning District in the City of Salinas, County of Monterey. The proposed project consists of three (3) separate applications: 1. General Plan Amendment 2020-001 (GPA 2020-001); Request to amend the General Plan Land Use and Circulation Policy Map by modifying the Bernal Street and Kern Street future extensions; 2. Rezone 2020-001 (RZ 2020-001); Request to rezone six (6) parcels consisting of 73 acres from “Agricultural – Flood Overlay (A-F)” to “Parks – Flood Overlay (P – F)” ; and 3. Site Plan Review 2020-006 (SPR 2020-006); Request to construct a new park and recreational facility.
Project is located in Monterey County Parcel: 003212016000
Public hearing information: https://zoom.us/j/97531137025 / July 7, 2021 at 3:30 PM
Public review period ends: Monday, June 28, 2021

20210702– Rancho Canada Village Subdivision
Monterey County Housing and C Mary Israel (831) 755-5183
Revised Environmental Impact Report (RIR)
he proposed project would develop an approximately 76-acre area within a portion of the former West Course at Rancho Cañada Golf Club. The project Site1 consists of a mix of residential and recreational uses, including an approximately 25-acre, 130-unit residential neighborhood, a 1.5-acre community park, 11 acres of common areas and approximately 40 acres of permanent open space within the site. The purpose of this errata is to make two clarifications to Mitigation Measure BIO-18, to be incorporated into the Second Final Environmental Impact Report for the Rancho Cañada Village Project. Subsequent to the publication of the Second Final EIR on April 16, 2021, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District submitted a comment letter requesting refinement of Mitigation Measure BIO-18 and text in the EIR chapters (June 11, 2021 letter attached hereto). Then, MPWMD conferred with the applicant and provided a second letter expressing that most of the concerns were allayed but the district still requested minor revisions to Mitigation Measure BIO-18 to indicate that

MPWMD will not be involved in actions to rescue steelhead if stranded. (June 30, 2021 letter attached hereto). The first revision reflects this clarification. The second revision is to clarify that applicant must provide proof of arrangements and does not necessarily need to provide proof of a permit if the arrangements are made with a permitted organization.
The project is located in Monterey County Parcel: n/a
Public Hearing Information: n/a
Public review period ends: n/a

20210607 – Santa Cruz Water Rights Project
City of Santa Cruz Sarah Easley Perez (831) 420-5327
Notice of Availability Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)
The Proposed Project would improve flexibility in operation of the City’s water system while enhancing stream flows for local anadromous fisheries. The Proposed Project includes components that are considered in the EIR at a “project” level (project components) and components that are considered at a “programmatic” level (programmatic components). The primary project and programmatic components include: (1) water rights modifications related to place of use, method of diversion, points of diversion and rediversion, underground storage and purpose of use, extension of time, and stream bypass requirements for fish habitats (referred to as Agreed Flows); (2) water supply augmentation components, including new aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) facilities at unidentified locations, Beltz ASR facilities at the existing Beltz well facilities, and water transfers and exchanges and intertie improvements; and (3) surface water diversion improvements, including the Felton Diversion fish passage improvements and the Tait Diversion and Coast Pump Station improvements.
The project is located in Santa Cruz County Parcel: n/a
Public Hearing Information: Online / July 14, 2021 @ 5:00 PM
Public review period ends: Monday, July 26, 2021

20210602– Encore Condominium Project
City of Scotts Valley Kim Carlos Tschantz, Contract (831) 662-8369
Notice of Intent (NOI) Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
Proposal to construct a 16-unit condominium project {16 individual residential ownerships) with one common parcel for vehicle access, parking and open space on two adjoining vacant parcels that encompass 1.56 acres. All residential units would be within a single three-story building. Grading of 2,137 cubic yards would be required to construct the project. Required project entitlements include Tentative Subdivision Map, Use Permit and Design Review approvals. The project also requires approval of a Habitat Conservation Plan by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to address the loss of Mt. Hermon June Beetle habitat. This insect is

listed as an endangered species by the federal Endangered Species Act.
The project is located in Santa Cruz County Parcel: 02273201
Public Hearing Information: Online TBD
Public review period ends: Monday, June 21, 2021

20210603 – SMITH RICHARD C & SUSAN BOONE SMITH TRS (ECO-SITE)
County of Monterey Mary Israel (831) 755-5183
Notice of Preparation (NOP) Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
Use Permit to allow a new wireless communication facility consisting of a 65 foot tall mono-Oak with at-ground equipment shelter and fence enclosure. The property is located at 8515 Coker Road, Salinas (Assessor's Parcel Number 125-102-001-000), North County Area Plan.
The project is located in Monterey County Parcel: 12510200100
Public Hearing Information: Online TBD
Public review period ends: Tuesday, July 6, 2021

202100606 – Medical Office Building Project
Santa Cruz County Stephanie Hansen (831) 454-3112
Notice of Availability Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)
New 4-story medical office building measuring approximately 60 feet in height to finished roof and approximately 74 feet to top of mechanical screens on the rooftop, including approximately 160,000 gross sq. ft. of medical office use for specialty outpatient services, including a range of medical services, an urgent care facility, a cafe, and administrative office spaces. Includes construction of a 4-story parking garage with 5 levels of parking with 730 new vehicle parking spaces, including approximately 47 charging stations for electric vehicles and bike lockers. Includes street frontage, traffic, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements.
The project is located in Santa Cruz County Parcel: 02902147
Public Hearing Information: TBD
Public review period ends: Monday, August 9, 2021

20210608– Downtown Vitalization Specific Plan
City of Marina Fred Aegerter (831) 884-1281
Notice of Preparation (NOP) Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
The Marina Downtown Vitalization Specific Plan focuses on the Downtown area of the City of Marina, establishing a development framework for land use, circulation, utilities and services, resource protection, design, and implementation through: 1) A cogent vision for the future; 2) Clearly articulated land uses and development regulations; and 3) Appropriate design standards and guidelines. The Specific Plan builds on the goals and objectives from the City of Marina General Plan, as well as the standards and regulations from the City of Marina Municipal Code. However, amendments to the General Plan land use designations would be required to ensure consistency with those introduced within the Downtown Vitalization Specific Plan. It is required that all subsequent projects including commercial developments and redevelopments, subdivisions, public works projects, and zoning regulations be consistent with the Specific Plan. The proposed project also incorporates recommendations from the City’s Downtown Vision Plan, Downtown Design Guidelines, and Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan.
The project is located in Monterey County Parcel: Multiple
Public Hearing Information: TBD
Public review period ends: Monday, July 19, 2021

20210701– Freeman Stadium Facilities Renovation Project at California State University Monterey Bay
California State University Board Marcel Forte (831) 582-4796
Notice of Intent (NOI) Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
The MBFC is proposing to renovate, utilize, and maintain the existing Freeman Stadium and Field House at CSUMB as a USL and NCAA facility under a 14-year facilities agreement with the University. The proposed project would support CSUMB's educational efforts, including the overall success and well-being of CSUMB's student athletes. In addition, the partnership would support the mutual goal of the MBFC and campus to partner with communities across the greater Central Coast region in providing education, access, and opportunities for underserved youth through campus, clinics, scholarships, and academic and wellness programming. The proposed project would involve the renovation of the existing Freeman Stadium and Field House at CSUMB to meet USL and NCAA requirements. Renovations to the existing facilities would require the demolition and disturbance of 2,000 square feet of the Field House interior and include proposed improvements to the existing athletic track and field, stadium seating, east-end goal area, northeast entryway, and parking areas. Renovations would be ADA-compliant and designed to a minimum of LEED Silver equivalent.
The project is located in Monterey County Parcel: 031101044000
Public Hearing Information: TBD
Public review period ends: Monday, August 9, 2021

20210703– Smith Mary Barton Tr
County of Monterey, Housing an Joseph Sidor (831) 755-5262
Notice of Intent (NOI) Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
Proposed Combined Development Permit consisting of a Coastal Administrative Permit and a Design Approval to construct a 1,368 square foot single-family dwelling inclusive of an attached garage, and a 3 73 square foot attached storage area; a Coastal Administrative Permit to allow the modification of parking standards; a Coastal Development Permit to allow development on slopes exceeding 30 percent; and a Coastal Development Permit to allow development within 750 feet of known archaeological resources.
The project is located in Monterey County Parcel: 009421003000
Public Hearing Information: TBD
Public review period ends: Wednesday, August 18, 2021

20210704 - Move Monterey Multimodal Plan
City of Monterey Planning Divisi Christy Sabdo (831) 646-3758
Notice of Intent (NOI) Negative Declaration (Neg)
The proposed project is an update of the City of Monterey’s “Monterey on the Move: Multi-modal Mobility Plan”. The updated document will be called “Move Monterey Multimodal Plan”. The update will include new chapters to help Monterey better manage traffic and to better accommodate a variety of users. The Move Monterey Multimodal Plan is intended to guide the implementation of General Plan Circulation Element policies.
The project is located in Monterey County Parcel: Various
Public Hearing Information: TBD 9/21/2021 at 4:00 PM
Public review period ends: Thursday, September 2, 2021

20210705 - Conjunctive Use Plan for the San Lorenzo River Watershed
San Lorenzo Valley Water Distric Carly Blanchard (831) 430-4639
Notice of Intent (NOI) Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)
SLVWD and the County of Santa Cruz have jointly developed the San Lorenzo River Watershed Conjunctive Use Plan to identify surface and groundwater supply reliability projects within the San Lorenzo River watershed. The main purpose of the plan is to optimize the conjunctive use

of surface and groundwater sources to improve aquatic habitat and water supply reliability within the San Lorenzo River watershed. The plan includes four selected conjunctive use scenarios, three of which are discussed in the initial study, the fourth scenario would be subject to future CEQA review prior to any approval. Implementation of the selected scenarios would allow more flexibility to divert surface flows during the winter and spring (peak flow season) and/or provide in-lieu groundwater recharge to improve surface flows during the summer (low flow season). The three scenarios discussed in the initial study are SLRBT Low-Flow Requirements Modification Scenario, North Systems Diversion Scenario, and Loch Lomond Scenario, and are described in detail in the Initial Study.

The project is located in Santa Cruz County
Parcel: Various

Public Hearing Information: TBD

Public review period ends: Monday, August 30, 2021

20210604 - Bay Village Planned Development

City of Scotts Valley
Paula Bradley, Contract Plann
(831) 440-5630

Notice of Public Hearing

A public hearing to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation of approval for a Planned Development Zoning/Permit, Land Division Design Review Applications And Environmental Review for a ten-lot subdivision for the construction of ten units (six detached single-family dwellings and two attached duet/ duplexes), and related site improvements. The proposed Bay Village Planned Development Project (the project) would construct 10 residential units comprised of six single-family homes and two duplex/duet-style units on a 1.04 acre (45,245 square feet (sf)) parcel. The project site consists of two existing lots that would be subdivided into ten lots and two common lots. The residential lots would range in size from 2,750 sf to 3,691 sf, with a common lot area where the riparian woodland area is located (Lot B – 10,681 sf) and a common lot for a new roadway for access to seven of the new residences (Lot A – 3,557 sf).

The project is located in Santa Cruz County
Parcel: 02248118

Public Hearing Information: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82882075837>
6/16/2021 at 6:00 PM

Public review period ends: Wednesday, April 28, 2021

20210605 - PROPOSED STATEWIDE CONSTRUCTION STORMWATER GENERAL PERMIT REISSUANCE

California State Water Board
Jeanie Townsend, Clerk to the
(916) 341-5600

Notice of Public Hearing

The federal Clean Water Act requires discharges of construction stormwater to waters of the United States to be regulated by an NPDES permit. The State Water Board adopted the existing statewide NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit in 2009 to regulate stormwater

discharges associated with construction activities disturbing one or more acres. The existing Construction Stormwater General Permit expired on September 2, 2014 and is administratively extended until the effective date of a reissued permit. The draft Construction Stormwater General Permit incorporates: •New requirements to implement existing Total Maximum Daily Loads adopted by Regional Water Boards into applicable Basin Plans; New regulation of passive treatment technology uses and discharges from dewatering activities; New criteria for Notices of Non- Applicability; Efficiency to the existing Notice of Termination process; Requirements to implement the California Ocean Plan and the Water Quality Control Plan for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries, including the statewide Trash Provisions; Updated requirements for demolition activities; and Updated water quality sampling requirements per the federal Sufficiently Sensitive Test Methods Rule; and Updated monitoring and reporting requirements. State Water Board staff released an informal draft of the proposed Construction Stormwater General Permit on November 30, 2020, hosted two public workshops in December 2020 and held subsequent focused meetings with interested parties. Staff considered all informal public feedback in the development of the proposed permit.

The project is located Statewide

Public Hearing Information: <https://video.calepa.ca.gov/7/7/2021> at 9:00 AM

Public review period ends: Friday, July 30, 2021

More detailed information on these projects is available by calling the contact person for each project or through AMBAG at (831) 883-3750. Comments will be considered by the AMBAG Board of Directors in its review. All comments will be forwarded to the applicants for response and inclusion in the project application. If substantial coordination or conflict issues arise, the Clearinghouse can arrange meetings between concerned agencies and applicants.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Amaury Berteaud, Special Projects Manager

SUBJECT: AMBAG Sustainability Program Update

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Board of Directors accept this report.

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

AMBAG Sustainability Program Elements

Energy Efficiency Program Development

AMBAG is a founding member of the Rural and Hard to Reach (RHTR) working group, which was created in 2015 to promote the deployment of energy efficiency resources to California's rural communities. In the past year AMBAG staff has been working with other RHTR members to create a Regional Energy Network (REN). Regional Energy Networks are entities which submit business plans to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to obtain ratepayer funds and implement energy efficiency programs. The RHTR working group is developing such a business plan in order to implement programs as a new Regional Energy Network, the RuralREN. If approved by the CPUC, the RuralREN would bring resources to the region, assisting residents, businesses, and public agencies in completing energy efficiency projects and sustainability initiatives.

RHTR partners executed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the development of the Rural Regional Energy Network (RuralREN). RHTR partners are now working to organize a workshop of the California Energy Efficiency Coordinating Council (CAEECC) in order to present the concept of a RuralREN. This will allow for feedback to be gathered before the RuralREN business plan is submitted to the CPUC in February 2022. If the business plan is approved, RHTR partners will then create detailed program design documents and implementation plans which are necessary before programs are allowed to move forward. It is projected that RuralREN programs will begin to operate on January 1, 2023.

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Central California Energy Watch Program implementation in Monterey County

The AMBAG Sustainability Program is acting as a sub consultant to the San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization (SJVCEO) to implement the Central California Energy Watch (CCEW) program in Monterey County. AMBAG staff is conducting outreach to public sector agencies and school districts to inform them about this new program, drive program enrollment, and provide energy efficiency technical assistance services. Current efforts are focused on contacting jurisdictions and school districts to have initial conversations about their energy efficiency needs and how the CCEW program can provide support. AMBAG staff is also providing the County of Monterey with energy efficiency technical assistance.

School Districts

The State of California, over five years, has been releasing funding through the Proposition 39: California Clean Energy Jobs Act to help schools implement energy efficiency and conservation. To receive this funding, the school districts must comply with the Proposition 39: California Clean Energy Jobs Act – 2013 Program Implementation Guidelines. These guidelines include requirements such as completing energy benchmarks of school facilities, identifying potential energy projects, creating efficiency metrics related to the projects, submitting a funding application to the California Energy Commission called an Energy Expenditure Plan, completing annual reports, and submitting a final project completion report. On May 13, 2020, the California Energy Commission extended the Proposition 39 program by one year as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The deadline to complete projects was extended to June 30, 2021, and the deadline to complete the final project completion reports was extended to June 30, 2022.

AMBAG staff working with fifteen school districts to complete their final project completion reports. As part of this process AMBAG staff is gathering benchmarking data and creating the necessary reports to obtain California Energy Commission staff approval.

Greenhouse Gas Inventories and Climate Action Planning

AMBAG staff works to complete Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventories for all AMBAG Jurisdictions. Staff completed Community-wide GHG Inventories for all jurisdictions in 2005, 2009, 2010, 2015, and 2018 as well as a baseline Municipal GHG Inventories for all AMBAG jurisdictions in 2005. AMBAG staff has also been able to use the inventories to create a regional roll-up inventory and assist jurisdictions with climate action planning activities.

As part of an MOU with AMBAG, Central Coast Community Energy has allocated funding for AMBAG to develop 2018, 2019, and 2020 Community-wide GHG Inventories for all of its member jurisdictions over the next three years. This will allow AMBAG to continue providing GHG inventories to our jurisdictions and enable continued climate action on the central coast. As Part of an MOU with the San Luis Obispo Air Pollution Control District (SLOAPCD) and the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG), SLOAPCD and SLOCOG have allocated funding for AMBAG to prepare 2018 Community-wide GHG Inventories for the cities of Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, Grover Beach, Paso Robles and the County of San Luis Obispo.

In the past months AMBAG staff has finalized inputting the 2019 data into the ClearPath online platform. Now that 2019 emissions have been calculated, work has begun create the 2019 Community-wide GHG inventory reports.

ALTERNATIVES:

There are no alternatives to discuss as this is an informational report.

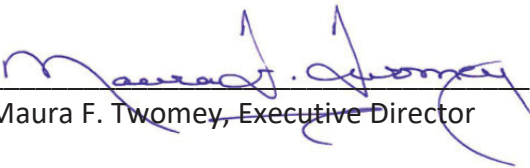
FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The budget is fully funded under the AMBAG-3CE MOU, a sub consultant agreement with the SJVCEO, and SB1 Planning Funds. All funding is programmed in the FY 2021-22 Overall Work Program and Budget.

COORDINATION:

AMBAG staff is coordinating with 3CE, SLOAPCD, SLOCOG as well as local jurisdictions and local community stakeholders.

APPROVED BY:



Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

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MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Bhupendra Patel, Ph.D., Director of Modeling

SUBJECT: Draft Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2021-22 Monterey Bay Region Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Draft Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2021-22 OWP and Budget.

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act calls for the development of the Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget by the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG), as the federally designated MPO for the tri-county (Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties) Monterey Bay Region, annually develops and maintains the OWP and Budget.

The FY 2021-22 OWP and Budget was developed in consultation and coordination with the region's Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPA), transit operators, Caltrans, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). It includes transportation and air quality related planning activities proposed for the Monterey Bay Region for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

The FY 2021-22 OWP and Budget was approved by the AMBAG Board of Directors at their May 12, 2021 meeting and the FY 2021-22 OWP was jointly approved by FHWA and FTA on June 17, 2021.

The OWP and Budget is subject to periodic adjustments resulting from changes in activities as well as revisions in revenues and expenditures during the fiscal year. The proposed Draft Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2021-22 OWP and Budget accounts for the following changes:

- Adds new work element 259: Integrated Land Use Model and Development Monitoring Framework Tool. A collaborative Caltrans planning grant (\$550,000) funded project to develop an Integrated Land Use Model and Development Monitoring Framework Tool for 5 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) of California: AMBAG, BCAG, SLOCOG, SRTA, and TRPA. The project area covers 34 Cities and 8 Counties. These local jurisdictions will be involved throughout this project for model inputs and identifying their needs. The proposed tool would provide new and crucial functionality for RTP/SCS scenario analysis and land use inputs for each MPO's regional travel demand model (RTDM).
- Adjusts appropriate Budget/line items in WEs 622 and AMBAG FY 2021-22 Budget.

The Draft Amendment No. 1 to FY 2021-22 OWP and Budget is separately enclosed with the agenda (Attachment 1).

ALTERNATIVES:

None.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Staff time to carry out OWP and Budget activities is funded through FHWA PL, FTA 5303, other State and local funds as programmed in the approved FY 2021-22 OWP and Budget.

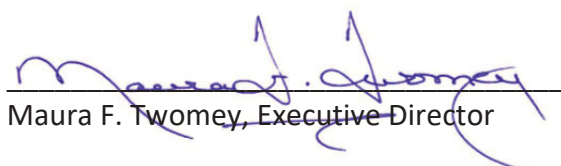
COORDINATION:

Preparation of Draft Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2021-22 OWP and Budget has been coordinated with transit operators, San Benito Council of Governments, Transportation Agency for Monterey County, Santa Cruz Regional Transportation Commission, California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

ATTACHMENT:

1. Draft Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2021-22 AMBAG OWP and Budget (separately enclosed)

APPROVED BY:


Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director



MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Sasha Tepedelenova, Associate Planner

SUBJECT: Formal Amendment No. 3 to the Monterey Bay Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP): FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Formal Amendment No. 3 to the Monterey Bay Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP): FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24 by adopting Resolution No. 2021-6 (Attachment 1).

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

The federally required Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) is a comprehensive listing of surface transportation improvement projects for the tri-county Monterey Bay Region that receive federal funds or are subject to a federally required action, and/or are regionally significant.

AMBAG, as the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Monterey Bay Region, prepares and adopts the MTIP at least once every two years. The MTIP covers a four-year period and must be financially constrained by year, meaning that the amount of dollars committed to the projects (also referred to as “programmed”) must not exceed the amount of dollars estimated to be available. The MTIP: FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24 was adopted by the AMBAG Board at their February 10, 2021 meeting. It received state approval on April 1, 2021 and joint approval by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on April 16, 2021. Upon the MTIP: FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24 receiving federal approval, it was included in the 2021 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP).

What constitutes Formal Amendment to the adopted MTIP?

1. Federal regulations require that any addition or deletion of a project within the first four years of the adopted MTIP require formal amendment.
2. A significant change in project scope of work and/or cost estimate over \$20 million or 50% of the total project cost as programmed within the first four years requires a formal amendment to the adopted MTIP. There is no limit on adding funds to a grouped project listing.

Who approves Formal Amendments to the MTIP?

1. As per the federal requirements, each formal amendment to the MTIP is first circulated for public review and comments for a minimum of two weeks. Thereafter, the formal amendment is presented to the MPO Board for their approval.
2. After the MPO's approval, the formal amendment is submitted to the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for their approval.
3. After the State's approval, the formal amendment is forwarded to the FHWA and FTA for their joint approval.
4. Upon federal approval, the formal amendment by reference is included in the FSTIP.

Formal Amendment No. 3 to the MTIP: FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24 updates one (1) project, as listed in **Attachment 2**, Summary of Changes. The complete project listing included in Formal Amendment No. 3 is also enclosed with the agenda (**Attachment 3**) and can be viewed/downloaded using the AMBAG website link (www.ambag.org).

In accordance with the current federal regulations, the proposed Formal Amendment No. 3 is financially constrained to reasonably available resources. The project included in Formal Amendment No. 3 has been developed in accordance with all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450 and are expected to support the establishment and achievement of performance management targets. The project included in this formal amendment No. 3 also meets the following general requirements for a project to be approved by the U.S. Department of Transportation as a part of the MTIP:

- 1) Projects must be consistent with AMBAG's adopted 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS);
- 2) Projects must be financially constrained, and;
- 3) Projects must satisfy public review/comments requirements.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could take an action not to approve Formal Amendment No. 3 to the MTIP: FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24. In this case, work on the project included in this formal amendment could be put on hold.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This is a federally funded activity. Staff time to carry out the formal amendment process as well as cost for publication of the public notice in the local newspapers for public review and comment is programmed in the adopted FY 2020-21 Monterey Bay Region Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget.

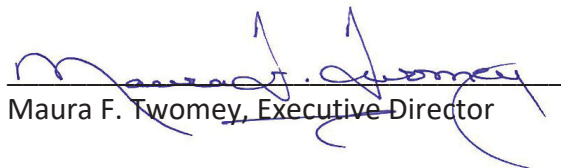
COORDINATION:

Formal Amendment No. 3 to the MTIP: FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24 was prepared in coordination and consultation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Council of San Benito County Governments (SBtCOG), Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST), Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC), Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (SCMTD) and Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution No. 2021-6
2. Summary of Changes
3. Project Programming Pages

APPROVED BY:



Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

**A RESOLUTION
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
ASSOCIATION OF MONTEREY BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
ADOPTING FORMAL AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE MONTEREY BAY METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MTIP)
FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24**

WHEREAS, the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments has been designated by the Governor of the State of California as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Monterey Bay area; and

WHEREAS, Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 450, and Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 613, require that in each urbanized area, as a condition to the receipt of Federal capital or operating assistance, the MPO carries out, in cooperation with State, local agencies and publicly owned operators of mass transportation services, a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) calls for the development of at least a four-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), under direction of the MPO in cooperation with State and local officials, regional and local transit operators, and other affected transportation and regional planning and implementing agencies; and

WHEREAS, AMBAG has developed a four-year program of projects, consistent with AMBAG's *2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy*, the *2021 State Transportation Improvement Program*, the *2021 State Highway Operation and Protection Program*, and the area's Regional Transportation Improvement Programs and Short Range Transit Plans; and

WHEREAS, this document is financially constrained and prioritized by funding year, adding only those projects for which funding has been identified and committed in accordance with 23 CFR 450; and

WHEREAS, projects in Formal Amendment No. 3 satisfy the transportation conformity provisions of 40 CFR 93.122(g) and all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450 and are expected to support the establishment and achievement of performance management targets; and

WHEREAS, consultation with cognizant agencies was undertaken and the MTIP was considered with adequate opportunity for public review and comment, in accordance with 23 CFR 450:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments does hereby approve and authorize the submission of Formal Amendment No. 3 to the *Monterey Bay Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2020-21 to FY 2023-24* to the appropriate Federal and State agencies.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of August 2021.

Steve McShane, President

Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

Attachment 2
Summary of Changes

MTIP FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24
Formal Amendment No. 3

Project Number	Project Name	Change	Prior \$ (\$1,000)	New \$ (\$1,000)	% Change
RTC24FSC	41st Avenue to Soquel Avenue Auxiliary Lanes	Update post mile information and project manager name and contact information. Move CON funds from FFY 2021/22 to FFY 2020/21: \$6,835K RIP, \$23,507K SB1 and \$1,640K HIP funds.	\$31,982	\$31,982	0%

**MTIP FFY 2020-21 to FFY 2023-24
Formal Amendment 3**

MPO ID: RTC24fSC

CTIPS ID: 101-0000-0428

TITLE: 41st Avenue to Soquel Avenue Auxiliary Lanes

DESCRIPTION: Near the city of Santa Cruz and Capitola on Highway 1, from 41st Avenue to Soquel Avenue. Construct auxiliary lanes bus-on-shoulder facility, and construct bicycle/pedestrian overcrossing near Chanticleer Avenue.

PM: 13.400 / 14.900

COUNTY: Santa Cruz County

SYSTEM: State Highway System

IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission

PRJ MGR: Heidi Borders

PHONE: (916) 995-4933

Dollars in Thousands

Fund Category: RIP

Fund Type: STIP Advance Construction

Funding Agency: Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission

	PRIOR	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	\$2,570	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,570
RW	\$750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$750
CON	\$0	\$6,835	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,835
Total:	\$3,320	\$6,835	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,155

Fund Category: State SB1

Fund Type: Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017

Funding Agency: Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission

	PRIOR	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CON	\$0	\$23,507	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23,507
Total:	\$0	\$23,507	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23,507

Fund Category: Local Funds

Fund Type: Measure D - 2016 Transportation Improvement Plan

Funding Agency: Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission

	PRIOR	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	\$1,050	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,050
RW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CON	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$1,050	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,050

Fund Category: Other Fed

Fund Type: Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP)

	PRIOR	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CON	\$0	\$1,640	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,640
Total:	\$0	\$1,640	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,640

Project Total:

	PRIOR	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	\$3,620	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,620
RW	\$750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$750
CON	\$0	\$31,982	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$31,982
Total:	\$4,370	\$31,982	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$36,352

Adoption:

Comment: \$23,507K SB1-SCCP funds, CON in FFY 2021/22 approved by CTC on 12/2/2020.



MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Heather Adamson, Director of Planning

SUBJECT: 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Update

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept the update on the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS).

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

AMBAG adopted the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS) in June 2018. Federal and state law requires that AMBAG prepare a long-range transportation plan for the tri-county region. In accordance with state and federal guidelines, the 2045 MTP/SCS is scheduled for adoption by the Board of Directors in June 2022. The 2045 MTP/SCS activities underway are highlighted below.

Draft 2045 MTP/SCS

Over the summer, staff has been evaluating the various scenarios for the MTP/SCS and Environmental Impact Report (EIR) using the Regional Travel Demand Model (RTDM). Output from the RTDM will be used to update the Board approved performance measures for both the 2045 MTP/SCS and EIR. Additionally, staff is working to develop the draft Plan chapters as well as updating the required mapping per state and federal requirements.

Programmatic Environmental Impact Report

Work on the programmatic EIR is underway and will serve as the EIR for the 2045 MTP/SCS as well as the EIR for each of the RTPA's county-level Regional Transportation Plan (RTPs). AMBAG and the RTPAs coordinate on the EIR to reduce duplication of

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efforts for environmental documentation, for budgetary efficiency and to assure consistency in environmental review between plans. AMBAG is the lead for developing the programmatic EIR, working with the RTPAs, an environmental consulting firm and an environmental legal firm to develop the joint EIR. The draft EIR is scheduled to be released for public comment in late 2021.

2045 MTP/SCS Public Involvement Program

AMBAG staff continues to implement the outreach strategies included in the Public Involvement Plan. AMBAG held virtual workshops in May 2021 on the development of the draft 2045 MTP/SCS and to gather input on SCS priorities and strategies to include in the SCS. Additional workshops will be scheduled in early 2022 once the Draft 2045 MTP/SCS and Draft EIR have been released for public comment.

Next Steps

Over the next couple months, the draft MTP/SCS and EIR documents will be prepared. The draft Plan and draft EIR are scheduled to be released for a public review period in late 2021. Public workshops are expected to be held in January 2022 to receive public comment on the draft documents. Staff will continue to develop the various components of the 2045 MTP/SCS working with the Planning Directors Forum, Technical Advisory Committees, partner agencies and key stakeholders.

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Planning activities for the 2045 MTP/SCS are funded with FHWA PL, FTA 5303 and SB 1 planning funds and are programmed in the FY 2021-22 Overall Work Program and Budget.

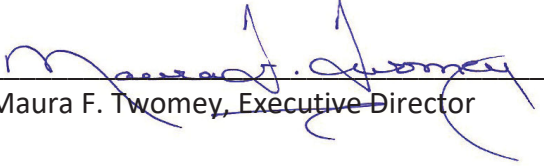
COORDINATION:

All MTP/SCS planning activities are coordinated with the MTP/SCS Executive Steering Committee and Staff Working Group which includes participation from Caltrans District 5, Monterey Salinas Transit, Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District, Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, San Benito County Council of Governments, and the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, as well as the Planning Directors Forum and the RTPAs Technical Advisory Committees which includes the local jurisdictions.

ATTACHMENTS:

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APPROVED BY:


Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

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MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Errol Osteraa, Director of Finance and Administration

SUBJECT: Financial Update Report

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors accept the Financial Update Report.

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

The enclosed financial reports are for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year (FY) and are presented as a consent item. The attached reports contain the cumulative effect of operations through May 31, 2021 as well as a budget-to-actual comparison. Amounts in the Financial Update Report are unaudited.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Balance Sheet for May 31, 2021 reflects a cash balance of \$4,164,776.16. The accounts receivable balance is \$450,864.33, while the current liabilities balance is \$149,141.33. AMBAG has sufficient current assets on hand to pay all known current obligations.

Due to the implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68 in FY 2014-2015 and a restatement to Net Position for GASB Statement No. 82, AMBAG has a deficit Net Position in the amount of \$192,592.38. Although AMBAG's Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2021 reflects a deficit Net Position, AMBAG's Profit and Loss Statement reflects an excess of revenue over expense of \$8,394.20.

The following table highlights key Budget to Actual financial data:

Budget to Actual Financial Highlights
For Period July 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021

Expenditures	Budget Through May 2021	Actual Through May 2021	Difference
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	\$ 2,520,381.00	\$ 2,026,880.80	\$ 493,500.20
Professional Services	\$ 7,289,100.00	\$ 719,090.70	\$ 6,570,009.30
Lease/Rentals	\$ 83,417.00	\$ 73,195.32	\$ 10,221.68
Communications	\$ 22,733.00	\$ 17,828.67	\$ 4,904.33
Supplies	\$ 113,117.00	\$ 15,606.15	\$ 97,510.85
Printing	\$ 10,588.00	\$ 871.65	\$ 9,716.35
Travel	\$ 69,208.00	\$ 377.93	\$ 68,830.07
Other Charges	\$ 316,774.00	\$ 289,577.64	\$ 27,196.36
Total	\$ 10,425,317.00	\$ 3,143,428.86	\$ 7,281,889.14
Revenue			
Federal/State/Local Revenue	\$ 10,447,938.00	\$ 3,151,823.06	\$ 7,296,114.94
Note: AMBAG is projecting a surplus, therefore budgeted revenues do not equal expenses.			

Revenues/Expenses (Budget to Actual Comparison):

The budget reflects a linear programming of funds while actual work is contingent on various factors. Therefore, during the fiscal year there will be fluctuations from budget-to-actual.

Professional Services are under budget primarily due to the timing of work on projects performed by contractors. Work is progressing on the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS). This work is not performed in a linear fashion while the budget reflects linear programming. In addition, the Regional Early Action Planning Housing Program (REAP) provides \$7,931,311 in funding of which a large portion will pass through to partner agencies. It is in its early stages.

Since AMBAG funding is primarily on a reimbursement basis, any deviation in expenditure also results in a corresponding deviation in revenue. Budget-to-actual revenue and expenditures are monitored regularly to analyze fiscal operations and propose amendments to the budget if needed.

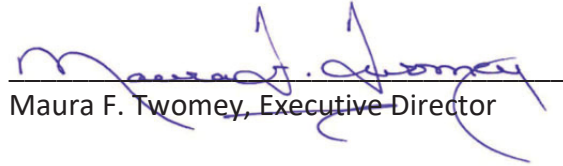
COORDINATION:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2021
2. Profit and Loss: July 1, 2020 – May 31, 2021
3. Cash Activity for June, 2021

APPROVED BY:



Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

AMBAG
Balance Sheet - Attachment 1
As of May 31, 2021

	May 31, 2021		May 31, 2021
Assets		Liabilities & Net Position	
Current Assets		Liabilities	
Cash and Cash Equivalents		Current Liabilities	
Mechanics Bank - Special Reserve	300,551.96	Accounts Payable	15,654.66
Mechanics Bank - Checking	417,420.18	Employee Benefits	133,486.67
Mechanics Bank - REAP Checking	3,442,624.29	Mechanics Bank - Line of Credit	0.00
Petty Cash	500.00	Total Current Liabilities	149,141.33
LAIF Account	3,679.73		
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	4,164,776.16	Long-Term Liabilities	
Accounts Receivable		Deferred Inflows - Actuarial	258,986.95
Accounts Receivable	450,864.33	Net Pension Liability (GASB 68)	1,888,153.69
Total Accounts Receivable	450,864.33	OPEB Liability	9,992.92
		Deferred Revenue	3,503,176.35
Other Current Assets		Total Long-Term Liabilities	5,660,309.91
Due from PRWFPA/RAPS	45.76		
Prepaid Items	3,632.02	Total Liabilities	5,809,451.24
Total Other Current Assets	3,677.78		
Total Current Assets	4,619,318.27		
		Net Position	
Long-Term Assets		Beginning Net Position	(200,986.58)
Net OPEB Asset	96,473.00	Net Income/(Loss)	8,394.20
FY 2002-2003 Housing Mandate Receivable	82,186.00	Total Ending Net Position	(192,592.38)
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	(16,437.20)		
Deferred Outflows - Actuarial	533,833.49		
Deferred Outflows - PERS Contribution	272,963.59		
Total Long-Term Assets	969,018.88	Total Liabilities & Net Position	5,616,858.86
Capital Assets			
Capital Assets	196,516.49		
Accumulated Depreciation	(167,994.78)		
Total Capital Assets	28,521.71		
Total Assets	5,616,858.86		

AMBAG
Profit & Loss - Attachment 2
July - May 2021

		July - May 2021
Income		
	AMBAG Revenue	174,506.86
	Cash Contributions	254,718.03
	Grant Revenue	2,539,508.53
	Non-Federal Local Match	183,089.64
	Total Income	3,151,823.06
Expense		
	Salaries	1,335,824.61
	Fringe Benefits	691,056.19
	Professional Services	719,090.70
	Lease/Rentals	73,195.32
	Communications	17,828.67
	Supplies	15,606.15
	Printing	871.65
	Travel	377.93
	Other Charges:	
	BOD Allowances	9,300.00
	BOD Refreshments/Travel/Nameplates/Dinner/Other	24.76
	Workshops/Training	4,650.24
	GIS Licensing/CCJDC Support	10,247.28
	Energy Watch Travel/Classes/Events/Recruitment/Other	142.50
	REAP Travel/Classes/Events	525.00
	SB1/MTIP/MTP/SCS/OWP/Public Participation Expenses	16,004.75
	Recruiting	159.90
	Dues & Subscriptions	22,087.78
	Depreciation Expense	10,232.75
	Maintenance/Utilities	954.99
	Insurance	31,152.66
	Interest/Fees/Tax Expense	1,005.39
	Total Other Charges	106,488.00
	Non-Federal Local Match	183,089.64
	Total Expense	3,143,428.86
	Net Income/(Loss)	8,394.20

AMBAG
Cash Activity - Attachment 3
For June 2021

Monthly Cash Activity
 AMBAG

	July-20	August-20	September-20	October-20	November-20	December-20	January-21	February-21	March-21	April-21	May-21	June-21	TOTAL
1. CASH ON HAND													
[Beginning of month]	772,031.66	814,688.20	4,878,895.20	4,754,892.51	4,708,900.74	4,560,922.43	4,606,870.02	4,582,727.73	4,456,150.40	4,477,085.65	4,257,377.19	4,164,776.16	
2. CASH RECEIPTS													
(a) AMBAG Revenue	139,439.41	52,071.03	6,084.33	6,771.38	10,439.86	80,018.62	27,219.27	19,885.14	17,687.32	6,829.56	383,405.98	23,601.14	773,453.04
(b) Grant Revenue	223,043.84	234,066.92	175,754.83	186,041.95	220,934.45	172,754.58	167,438.87	227,323.59	203,307.46	0.00	0.00	192,398.67	2,003,065.16
(c) REAP Advance Payment	0.00	3,982,887.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,982,887.02
(d) Borrowing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3. TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	362,483.25	4,269,024.97	181,839.16	192,813.33	231,374.31	252,773.20	194,658.14	247,208.73	220,994.78	6,829.56	383,405.98	215,999.81	6,759,405.22
4. TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	1,134,514.91	5,083,713.17	5,060,734.36	4,947,705.84	4,940,275.05	4,813,695.63	4,801,528.16	4,829,936.46	4,677,145.18	4,483,915.21	4,640,783.17	4,380,775.97	
5. CASH PAID OUT													
(a) Payroll & Related *	181,793.09	177,728.17	188,909.28	172,587.88	194,910.99	184,358.39	180,010.71	192,275.58	175,346.52	192,222.91	167,761.14	184,220.57	2,192,125.23
(b) Professional Services	62,640.92	13,450.00	103,801.55	48,985.34	169,174.97	10,027.24	15,470.08	169,138.43	3,300.00	20,575.48	298,177.02	17,623.03	932,364.06
(c) Capital Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,485.13	0.00	0.00	34,999.00	43,484.13
(d) Lease/Rentals	12,511.90	6,343.70	6,850.77	6,597.44	6,750.04	6,622.60	6,531.01	6,931.20	6,802.41	6,892.53	6,259.31	945.14	80,038.05
(e) Communications	2,140.93	1,014.23	1,248.30	1,221.69	1,485.10	3,329.20	2,224.12	1,362.11	1,432.06	2,099.91	1,145.17	903.46	19,606.28
(f) Supplies	2,622.28	2,712.26	3,510.75	4,711.75	435.34	1,059.60	413.08	265.90	467.72	0.00	791.19	247.82	17,237.69
(g) Printing	871.65	670.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,541.80
(h) Travel	40.00	0.00	117.92	56.38	60.01	0.00	40.00	40.00	0.00	40.00	0.00	86.82	481.13
(i) Other Charges	57,205.94	2,899.46	1,403.28	4,644.62	6,536.17	1,428.58	14,111.43	3,772.84	4,225.69	4,707.19	1,873.18	1,386.69	104,195.07
(j) Loan Repayment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6. TOTAL CASH PAID OUT	319,826.71	204,817.97	305,841.85	238,805.10	379,352.62	206,825.61	218,800.43	373,786.06	200,059.53	226,538.02	476,007.01	240,412.53	3,391,073.44
7. CASH POSITION	814,688.20	4,878,895.20	4,754,892.51	4,708,900.74	4,560,922.43	4,606,870.02	4,582,727.73	4,456,150.40	4,477,085.65	4,257,377.19	4,164,776.16	4,140,363.44	

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MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Miranda Taylor, Planner

SUBJECT: 2021 Title VI Plan

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

The Board of Directors is asked to approve the *2021 Title VI Plan*.

BACKGROUND:

Title VI is a Federal statute that mandates that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. The Federally required *2021 Title VI Plan* is a comprehensive document that guides AMBAG in the Title VI process. AMBAG receives Federal funding through Caltrans and therefore is subject to this Federal requirement.

In 2012, the Federal Transit Administration set new guidelines for Caltrans requiring sub-recipients of Caltrans Planning Grants to submit a Title VI Plan to FTA every three years. AMBAG, as a sub-recipient of such funds and as the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Monterey Bay Region, must prepare and adopt a Title VI Plan at least once every three years. The *2021 Title VI Plan* will cover the three-year period from 2021-2024 and must comply with FTA Circular 4702.1B. The *2021 Title VI Plan* emphasizes the AMBAG Title VI process and procedures, including the use of public outreach techniques and innovative strategies to specifically include Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Populations within the region.

DISCUSSION:

The requirements for the *2021 Title VI Plan* under FTA Circular 4702.1B incorporate environmental justice principles into plans, projects, and activities that receive funding from FTA. The following guiding environmental justice principles must be considered through “all

public outreach and participation efforts conducted by the FTA, its grantees and sub-grantees”:

- To avoid, minimize, or mitigate disproportionately high and adverse human health and environmental effects, including social and economic effects, on minority populations and low income populations.
- To ensure the full and fair participation by all potentially affected communities in the transportation decision making process, and to prevent the denial of, reduction in, or significant delay in the receipt of benefits by minority and low income populations.

A Title VI Plan is the required guide for all Title VI related activities conducted by AMBAG. As such, this Plan contains the procedures, strategies and techniques that will be used by AMBAG for increasing public involvement in all programs and projects that use federal funds and creating a more inclusive public participation process for LEP Populations.

The demographic data used for the Title VI planning process is the decennial Census (2010). The *2021 Title VI Plan* is a technical update to the *2018 Title VI Plan*. The *LEP Plan* (Appendix E) has been updated using the most current American Community Survey data for years 2015-2019. The next update to AMBAG’s *Public Participation Plan* will include a more robust discussion of the *Title VI* and *LEP Plans*.

The *Draft 2021 Title VI Plan* was released for a 30-day public comment period that concluded on July 9, 2021. No comments were received. The Final 2021 Title VI Plan is included as Attachment 1.

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Title VI planning activities are programmed in the FY 2021-2022 Overall Work Program.

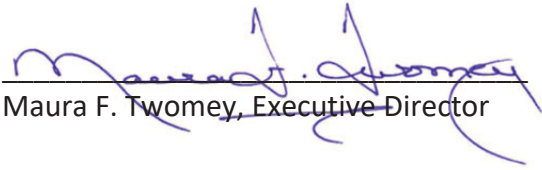
COORDINATION:

The development of the *2021 Title VI Plan* was coordinated with our local transportation partners at the RTPAs, transit operators, Caltrans, and local jurisdictions.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2021 Title VI Plan (separately enclosed)

APPROVED BY:



Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

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MEMORANDUM

TO: AMBAG Board of Directors

FROM: Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

RECOMMENDED BY: Heather Adamson, Director of Planning

SUBJECT: 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation Methodology

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

The Board of Directors is asked to discuss potential methodology options for the 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation.

BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

California State Housing Element Law enacted in 1980 requires AMBAG, acting in the capacity of Council of Governments (COG), to develop a methodology for distributing existing and projected housing need to local jurisdictions in Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties. Housing law also sets forth a process, schedule, objectives and factors to use in the RHNA methodology. The methodology must address allocation of housing units by jurisdiction, housing units by income group, and must address 12 housing-related factors and five statutory objectives. The Council of San Benito County Governments performs this same function for San Benito County.

AMBAG is in the planning phase for the 2023-2031 RHNA period. As there have been five previous housing element update cycles, this round is also known as the 6th Cycle RHNA. The 6th Cycle of RHNA is different from previous rounds in that it significantly increases the amount of housing a region must plan for due to recent legislative changes found in SB 828 (2018), AB 1771 (2018), and AB 686 (2018) which altered HCD RHNA determinations as follows:

- Adjusts RHNA up by setting a target “healthy” vacancy rate of no less than 5% for rental housing;
- Adjusts RHNA up by redistributing overcrowding into housing units;

- Allows HCD to adjust RHNA upwards based on comparing the difference in cost-burden by income group for the region to the cost burden by income group for comparable regions, and adjusting the very-low and low income housing need upwards accordingly;
- Prohibits the use of previous underproduction of housing or stable population growth to reduce housing development goals;
- Requires RHNA methodologies to promote fair housing, and reduce income and racial segregation when allocating housing of various income types.

As this cycle of RHNA has changed significantly from previous rounds, this item does not include a summary of AMBAG's 5th Cycle RHNA Plan. For information on AMBAG's previous 5th Cycle 2014-2023 RHNA plan, see this link.

RHNA is a projection of additional housing units needed to accommodate projected household growth of all income levels from the start until the end date of the projection period. RHNA is not a prediction of building permits, construction, or housing activity, nor is it limited due to existing land use capacity or growth. A community is not obligated to provide housing to all in need. RHNA is a distribution of housing development capacity that each city and county must zone for in a planning period and is not a construction need allocation.

RHNA Process and Schedule

As part of the RHNA process, State law (Government Code 65584 et seq.) requires AMBAG to determine each local jurisdiction's share of the region's future housing need. The RHNA produces regional, subregional and local targets for the amount and type of housing needed over the planning period. In spring 2021, AMBAG began consulting with the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the Department of Finance (DOF) regarding the total regional housing need. AMBAG is scheduled to receive a 2023-2031 regional housing need determination from HCD in August 2021. HCD is responsible for determining the regional housing needs total, segmented by income levels, for each of the state's COGs.

Once HCD has provided AMBAG its two-county total housing determination, AMBAG is responsible for developing a methodology to allocate the housing need amongst all of the jurisdictions within the COG region. Throughout this process, the Planning Directors Forum, which includes representatives from member jurisdictions in Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties, serves as a technical working group to assist in the development of the 2023-2031 RHNA methodology and plan, similar to what was established for the 2014-2023 RHNA Plan.

Following adoption of the RHNA plan and approval of that plan by HCD, the local jurisdictions must update their housing elements as necessary to accommodate the regional housing allocations by assuring that adequate sites and zoning capacity are

available to accommodate at least the number of units allocated. The housing elements are reviewed for approval by HCD. In some cases, funding from state/federal housing programs can only be accessed if the jurisdiction has a compliant housing element. Other fiscal penalties can be applied by the state for having a non-compliant housing element.

Additional detail on the proposed RHNA schedule is listed in Figure 1 below. These dates are based on the MTP/SCS adoption date, and statutory requirements and deadlines provided by HCD.

Figure 1: Revised RHNA Schedule

TARGET SCHEDULE	TASK
Spring - Summer 2021	AMBAG staff begins early consultation with HCD on 6th Cycle RHNA Determination
Spring - Fall 2021	Discussions with Planning Directors Forum on potential RHNA methodology options and factors
July 1, 2021	Jurisdictions receive RHNA survey on local planning factors and affirmatively furthering fair housing
August 16, 2021	RHNA survey due back to AMBAG from local jurisdictions
August 2021	6th Cycle RHNA Determination expected from HCD
September 2021	HCD presents at AMBAG Board Meeting
Summer - Winter 2021	Potential RHNA methodology options discussed by AMBAG Board
November 2021	Selection of proposed RHNA methodology by AMBAG Board
November 2021 - January 2022	HCD Reviews Draft Methodology
January/February 2022	Approval of final RHNA methodology by AMBAG Board
January/February 2022	Release draft RHNA plan with RHNA allocations by jurisdiction
May 2022	AMBAG releases final 2045 MTP/SCS accommodating RHNA
June 2022	Adoption of Final 2023-31 RHNA Plan with RHNA allocations by AMBAG Board
December 2023	Jurisdiction's 6th Cycle Housing Elements are due to HCD

Statutory Objectives and Factors for RHNA Methodology

State statute requires AMBAG to consider or further a series of five objectives and 12 factors, many of which have been newly amended by state legislation since 2018 (see Attachment 1). The following five objectives must be considered during the development of the methodology to allocate housing needs in the region:

1. Increase Housing Supply and Mix of Housing Types
2. Promote Infill, Equity, and Environment
3. Ensure Jobs Housing Balance and Fit
4. Promote Regional Income Parity

5. Affirmatively Further Fair Housing

The RHNA objectives provide the guiding framework for how AMBAG must develop the methodology. AMBAG is required to demonstrate how its methodology furthers each of the objectives. This requires proactive inclusion of each objective into the analysis and represents a higher standard than in previous cycles, which required allocation methodologies only to be generally consistent with state objectives.

In order for the RHNA methodology to be approved, HCD must make a determination on whether it meets these five objectives and is consistent with RHNA statutes. If any objective is not adequately addressed, the methodology must be revised and resubmitted until HCD determines the methodology meets all RHNA objectives. The AMBAG Board cannot approve a methodology and the draft RHNA allocation cannot be produced until HCD has approved the RHNA methodology.

In addition, there are 13 RHNA factors that AMBAG must consider when distributing each jurisdiction's overall and income category allocations. State law mandates that the RHNA factors be incorporated into the methodology to the extent that sufficient data is available. A summary of the factors is listed below. State statute references and definitions are provided in Attachment 1.

1. Jobs and housing relationship
2. Opportunities and constraints to development of additional housing, including capacity for sewer and water service, availability of land suitable for development, lands preserved or protected from development, and county policies to preserve prime agricultural land.
3. Opportunities to maximize transit and existing transportation infrastructure
4. Policies directing growth toward incorporated areas
5. Loss of units contained in assisted housing developments
6. High housing cost burdens
7. Rate of overcrowding
8. Housing needs of farmworkers
9. Housing needs of UC and Cal State students
10. The housing needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness
11. Loss of units during an emergency
12. SB 375 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets
13. Other factors adopted by Council of Governments (COGs)

Potential RHNA Methodology Options

For the past few months, AMBAG has been working with the Planning Directors Forum on reviewing potential options for developing a RHNA methodology. Staff also presented methodologies used by other COGs during the 6th Cycle. A summary of those options can be found in Attachment 2.

While all the factors are considered while developing RHNA, in order to develop a streamlined RHNA methodology, most COGs focus on a few priority factors. Based on recent discussions with the Planning Directors Forum on various RHNA methodology approaches, some factors such as growth forecast/growth rate, employment, transit, and Affirmatively Further Fair Housing were identified as priority factors that AMBAG should consider in developing the RHNA methodology. Additionally, some Planning Directors Forum members thought that a wildfire risk factor should also be explored.

The AMBAG Board of Directors is asked to provide feedback on factors to be included in a methodology including the factors identified as priority from the PDF.

AMBAG is continuing to work with the Planning Directors Forum on RHNA methodology development. Staff will share Board comments and direction on RHNA methodology options at its next meeting scheduled for August 23, 2021. Staff will return to the Board with more information on RHNA methodology options for discussion over the next couple months. The Board will be asked to select a RHNA methodology in November 2021 to submit to HCD for review.

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Planning activities for RHNA are funded with REAP and SB 1 planning funds and are programmed in the FY 2021-22 Overall Work Program and Budget.

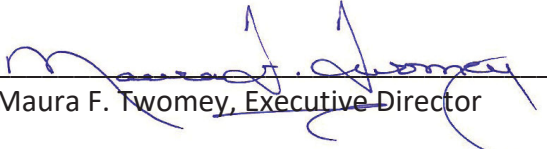
COORDINATION:

All RHNA planning activities are coordinated with the HCD, SBtCOG, and the Planning Directors Forum which includes all the local jurisdictions.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Regional Housing Needs Allocation Objectives and Factors
2. 6th Cycle RHNA Methodologies Used by Other Councils of Governments

APPROVED BY:


Maura F. Twomey, Executive Director

ATTACHMENT 1
REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION OBJECTIVES AND FACTORS (§65584.04.E)

This section describes the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) objectives and factors identified in state statute which AMBAG must consider. Objectives must be met in all RHNA methodologies. Factors must be considered to the extent sufficient data is available when developing its RHNA methodology.

RHNA Plan Objectives, Government Code 65584(d)

The regional housing needs allocation plan shall further all of the following objectives:

1. Increasing the housing supply and the mix of housing types, tenure, and affordability in all cities and counties within the region in an equitable manner, which shall result in each jurisdiction receiving an allocation of units for low- and very-low-income households.
2. Promoting infill development and socioeconomic equity, the protection of environmental and agricultural resources, the encouragement of efficient development patterns, and the achievement of the region's greenhouse gas reductions targets provided by the State Air Resources Board pursuant to Section 65080.
3. Promoting an improved intraregional relationship between jobs and housing, including an improved balance between the number of low-wage jobs and the number of housing units affordable to low-wage workers in each jurisdiction.
4. Allocating a lower proportion of housing need to an income category when a jurisdiction already has a disproportionately high share of households in that income category, as compared to the countywide distribution of households in that category from the most recent American Community Survey.
5. Affirmatively furthering fair housing.

RHNA Plan Factors, Government Code 65584(e)

1. Jobs and housing relationship

"Each member jurisdiction's existing and projected jobs and housing relationship. This shall include an estimate based on readily available data on the number of low-wage jobs within the jurisdiction and how many housing units within the jurisdiction are affordable to low-wage workers as well as an estimate based on readily available data, of projected job growth and projected household growth by income level within each member jurisdiction during the planning period." - §65584.04(e)

2. Opportunities and constraints to development of additional housing (see below)

2a. Capacity for sewer and water service

"Lack of capacity for sewer or water service due to federal or state laws, regulations or regulatory actions, or supply and distribution decisions made by a sewer or water service provider other than the local jurisdiction that preclude the jurisdiction from providing necessary infrastructure for additional development during the planning period." - §65584.04(e)

2b. Availability of land suitable for urban development

"The availability of land suitable for urban development or for conversion to residential use, the availability of underutilized land, and opportunities for infill development and increased residential densities. The council of governments may not limit its consideration of suitable housing sites or land suitable for urban development to existing zoning ordinances and land use restrictions of a locality, but shall consider the potential for increased residential development under alternative zoning ordinances and land use restrictions. The determination of available land suitable for urban development may exclude lands where the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or the Department of Water Resources has determined that the flood management infrastructure designed to protect that land is not adequate to avoid the risk of flooding." - §65584.04(e)

2c. Lands preserved or protected from urban development

"Lands preserved or protected from urban development under existing federal or state programs, or both, designed to protect open space, farmland, environmental habitats, and natural resources on a long-term basis, including land zoned or designated for agricultural protection or preservation that is subject to a local ballot measure that was approved by the voters of that jurisdiction that prohibits or restricts conversion to non-agricultural uses." - §65584.04(e)

2d. County policies to preserve prime agricultural land

"County policies to preserve prime agricultural land, as defined pursuant to Section 56064, within an unincorporated area and land within an unincorporated area zoned or designated for agricultural protection or preservation that is subject to a local ballot measure that was approved by the voters of that jurisdiction that prohibits or restricts its conversion to non-agricultural uses." - §65584.04(e)

3. Opportunities to maximize transit and existing transportation infrastructure

"The distribution of household growth assumed for purposes of a comparable period of regional transportation plans and opportunities to maximize the use of public transportation and existing transportation infrastructure." - §65584.04(e)

4. Policies directing growth toward incorporated areas

"Agreements between a county and cities in a county to direct growth toward incorporated areas of the county and land within an unincorporated area zoned or designated for agricultural protection or preservation that is subject to a local ballot measure that was approved by the voters of the jurisdiction that prohibits or restricts conversion to non-agricultural uses." - §65584.04(e)

5. Loss of units contained in assisted housing developments

"The loss of units contained in assisted housing developments, as defined in paragraph (9) of subdivision (a) of Section 65583, that changed to non-low-income use through mortgage prepayment, subsidy contract expirations, or termination of use restrictions." - §65584.04(e)

6. High housing cost burdens

"The percentage of existing households at each of the income levels listed in subdivision (e) of Section 65584 that are paying more than 30 percent and more than 50 percent of their income in rent."

7. Rate of Overcrowding

Factor undefined. - §65584.04(e)

8. Housing needs of farmworkers

Factor undefined. - §65584.04(e)

9. Housing needs of UC and Cal State students

"The housing needs generated by the presence of a private university or a campus of the California State University or the University of California within any member jurisdiction." - §65584.04(e)

10. Individuals and families experiencing homelessness

Factor undefined. - §65584.04(e)

11. Loss of units during an emergency

"The loss of units during a state of emergency that was declared by the Governor pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act (Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 8550) of Division 1 of Title 2), during the planning period immediately preceding the relevant revision pursuant to Section 65588 that have yet to be rebuilt or replaced at the time of the analysis." - §65584.04(e)

12. SB 375 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets

"The region's greenhouse gas emissions targets provided by the State Air Resources Board pursuant to Section 65080." - §65584.04(e)

13. Other factors adopted by Council of Governments

"Any other factors adopted by the council of governments, that further the objectives listed in subdivision (d) of Section 65584, provided that the council of governments specifies which of the objectives each additional factor is necessary to further. The council of governments may include additional factors unrelated to furthering the objectives listed in subdivision (d) of Section 65584 so long as the additional factors do not undermine the objectives listed in subdivision (d) of Section 65584 and are applied equally across all household income levels as described in subdivision (f) of Section 65584 and the council of governments makes a finding that the factor is necessary to address significant health and safety conditions." - §65584.04(e)

ATTACHMENT 2

6th Cycle RHNA Methodologies Used by Other Councils of Governments

Introduction

To inform AMBAG's methodology, AMBAG staff has reviewed 6th Cycle RHNA allocation methodologies used by other COGs. These other allocation methodologies give a sense of the variety of possible approaches to allocating the RHNA. The RHNA allocation methodologies reviewed include a range of approaches, from simplified allocations using only the household or population growth in adopted growth forecasts to more involved allocations incorporating existing or forecasted jobs, and adjustments for very low and low income levels. In most cases, the COG's adopted growth forecasts are used as a starting point in the RHNA process, with additional adjustments made as necessary. Starting the RHNA allocation process with a base determined by the regional growth forecast establishes a foundational allocation that recognizes the significant capacity differences between jurisdictions and provides for an allocation that is suitable for each jurisdiction's existing size.

The following RHNA allocation processes are summarized below:

- Southern California Association of Governments
- Sacramento Area Council of Governments
- Association of Bay Area Governments
- Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
- Butte County Association of Governments
- San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)

SCAG's 5th Cycle of RHNA determined a need for 412,137 units for the 6.8-year period of 2014 through 2021. For the current 6th Cycle, the determination of 1,341,827 housing units for the SCAG region has been proposed and adopted for the 8.25-year projection period of 2021 through 2029. SCGA's allocation increased by 225 percent between the 5th and 6th RHNA cycle. Compared to the prior 5th Cycle, SCAG's large increase is primarily attributed to the growth that the region has projected for 2020-2030.

The SCAG 6th Cycle methodology includes the following steps:

- Assumed expected housing growth according to the regional growth forecast accommodates a portion of the RHNA housing need
- Increase projected housing need based on a healthier vacancy rate, redistributing overcrowding to housing units, and replacement of any lost units due to events such as disasters
- Allocate remaining housing need based on HCD RHNA determination: 50% in high quality transit area, 50% in high jobs accessibility zones
- Redistribute a portion of housing assigned to extremely disadvantaged communities (per HCD Opportunity Indices) to non-disadvantaged areas with proximity to high quality transit and high jobs accessibility zones (50/50).
- Apply a social equity adjustment to assure that housing for the different income categories (very low, low, moderate, above moderate) is distributed more evenly, assigning more lower and moderate income housing to jurisdictions with less of those income category housing types.
- Applied an AFFH allocation method to place more affordable housing in high resource zones per HCD Opportunity Indices.

Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)

SACOG's 5th Cycle of RHNA determined a need for 104,970 units for the 7.6-year period of 2013 through 2021. For the current 6th Cycle, the determination of 153,512 housing units for the SACOG region has been proposed and adopted for the 8.2-year projection period of June 2021 through August 2029. SACOG's allocation increased by 46 percent between the 5th and 6th RHNA Cycle. Compared to the prior 5th Cycle, SACOG's increase is primarily attributed to the different housing climate in 2019, and the inclusion of two new existing need considerations (overcrowding and cost-burden). For the 5th Cycle, SACOG received a downward RHNA adjustment to account for the high vacancy rates as a result of the recession. The upward adjustment for the 6th Cycle is to help bring the SACOG's vacancy rate back to a healthy rate of 5 percent. The change in vacancy rates alone is the result of over 35,000 units being allocated to SACOG for the 6th Cycle of RHNA.

The methodology used by SACOG for its 2021-2029 Regional Housing Needs Plan (RHNP) starts by assigning projected and needed housing units according to the regional growth forecast.

SACOG then assigns the proportion of four housing income-categories (very low, low, moderate, above moderate) that each jurisdiction must plan for based on adjustment factors. The adjustment factors address accommodating regional income parity, affirmatively furthering fair housing and achieving a better jobs/housing balance.

The SACOG 6th Cycle RHNA methodology uses the following process:

- Assumed expected housing growth according to the regional growth forecast accommodates a portion of the RHNA housing need for each jurisdiction
- Assign remaining RHNA need to jurisdictions proportionally based on their regional growth forecast housing proportions
- Apply Regional Income Parity adjustment: Jurisdictions with a lower proportion of lower income households receive a higher portion of lower income units; Jurisdictions with a higher proportion of lower income households receive a lower portion of lower income units.
- Apply an Affirmatively Further Fair Housing adjustment: Jurisdictions with a higher proportion of units in high opportunity areas receive a higher proportion of lower income units; Jurisdictions with a lower proportion of units in high opportunity areas receive a lower proportion of lower income units.
- Apply a Jobs/Housing Balance allocation method: Jurisdictions with a higher proportion of low-wage workers per affordable unit receive a higher proportion of lower income units; Jurisdictions with a lower proportion of low-wage workers per affordable unit receive a lower proportion of lower income units.
- Weighting and balancing the three adjustment factors to assure that one adjustment factor is not disproportionately affecting the housing assignment.

Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)

ABAG's 5th Cycle of RHNA determined a need for 187,900 units for the 8.5-year period of 2014 through 2022. For the current 6th Cycle, the determination of 441,176 housing units for the ABAG region has been proposed and adopted for the 8.5-year projection period of June 2021 through December 2030. ABAG's allocation increased by 135 percent between the 5th and 6th RHNA Cycle. Compared to the prior 5th Cycle, ABAG's large increase is primarily attributed to the projected economic growth that will attract more homeowners and renters into the area. This growth will additionally address the housing crisis in the Bay Area and promote more equity. ABAG housing units are distributed to ABAG's nine counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Solano, and Sonoma, along with its 101 cities and towns.

The ABAG approach applied two different methodologies for Very Low/Low units and Moderate/Above Moderate units. The methodology for low income units was more heavily weighted towards AFFH when allocating Very Low and Low Income units. The other methodology for Moderate and Above Moderate units was more heavily weighted on vehicle commutes (see below).

TWO-PART ABAG ALLOCATION	
Very Low & Low Income Allocation	Moderate & Above Moderate Allocation
70% AHOA (AFFH allocation method)	40% AHOA (AFFH allocation method)
15% Short Drive to Jobs (JPA)	60% Short Drive to Jobs (JPA)
15% Short Transit Ride to Jobs (JPT)	

Very Low and Low Income units were allocated with more emphasis on AFFH compliance. Moderate and Above Moderate populations were placed closer to job clusters to show consistency with the MTP where more mid-high income housing is structured around job centers, and higher income employees use less transit.

The ultimate split using this approach allocated the total RHNA as follows:

- 52% AFFH based (AHOA)
- 41% short drive to work (JPA)
- 7% short transit ride to work (JPT)

The ABAG 6th Cycle RHNA methodology uses the following process:

1. Comparable regions analysis was performed to calculate average overcrowding and cost-burden issues and make appropriate adjustments to housing need.
2. Housing growth proportions per jurisdiction according to the regional growth was used to assign RHNA housing need for each jurisdiction.
 - a. 70% access to high job opportunity areas. Opportunity areas are determined using the HCD and the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (TCAC) 2020 Opportunity maps. This approach assigns lower income housing to higher income more affluent areas and achieves state goals of affirmatively furthering fair housing.
 - b. 15% short drive to work (within 30 minutes)
 - c. 15% short transit ride to work (within 45 minutes)
3. The proportion of moderate and above moderate units was assigned based on two allocation methods.
 - a. 40% access to high job opportunity areas. Opportunity areas are determined using the HCD and the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (TCAC) 2020 Opportunity maps. This approach assigns lower income housing to higher income more affluent areas and achieves state goals of affirmatively furthering fair housing.
 - b. 60% short drive to work (within 30 minutes)

Santa Barbara County Association of Governments

SBCAG's 5th Cycle of RHNA determined a need for 11,030 units for the 7.5-year period of 2008 through 2022. Santa Barbara County has only met 35 percent of the overall

housing need for its 5th Cycle, which ends in 2022. For the upcoming 6th Cycle, SBCAG has released a draft housing need determination of 29,297 units for the 8.6-year projection period of June 2021 through February 2030. SBCAG's allocation will potentially increase by 165 percent between the 5th and 6th RHNA Cycle, depending on the approval of the 6th Cycle draft. SBCAG's 5th Cycle was the lowest allocation received of any cycle. This was the result of a downward adjustment by the HCD due to the high vacancy rates during the recession. If approved, the 6th Cycle will be the highest allocation SBCAG has ever received.

The 6th Cycle RHNA methodology adopted by the SBCAG Board for its Regional Housing Needs Allocation Plan allocates regional housing need to local jurisdictions in four steps:

- Divide the RHNA allocation between the North County area and South Coast areas of Santa Barbara County.
- Apply a jobs-balance allocation method: using the SBCAG regional growth forecast as the base housing growth data, assign RHNA housing need to jurisdictions based on 60% of housing was weighted near existing jobs, and 40% near forecasted jobs.
- Assign adjustment factors to the housing unit assignments based on overcrowding and cost-burden allocation methods.
- Apply an income parity adjustment to better address housing income group disparities. This approach addressed the assignment of the four housing income-categories (very low, low, moderate, and above moderate) that each jurisdiction must plan for. Jurisdictions with a lower than average proportion of any income category of housing receive a higher portion of that category of housing. For example, jurisdictions with a lower proportion of lower income households receive a higher portion of lower income units.

Butte County Association of Governments

BCAG's 5th Cycle of RHNA determined a need for 2,974 units for the 7.5-year period of 2014 through 2022. For the current 6th cycle, the determination of 15,506 housing units for the BCAG region has been proposed and adopted for the 8.5-year projection period of 2021 through 2030. BCGA's allocation increased by 421 percent between the 5th and 6th RHNA cycle. Compared to the prior 5th cycle, BCAG's large increase is primarily attributed to the fire damage that this region has endured.

The unit allocation methodology applies five weighted allocation methods to distribute the regular growth allocation across BCAG's six-member jurisdictions. The fire rebuild allocation is separately assigned to the jurisdictions that lost units in the Camp Fire (the Town of Paradise and unincorporated Butte County) based on the total rebuild units assigned and each jurisdiction's proportionate loss of units in the fire.

The BCAG 6th Cycle RHNA methodology uses the following process:

- The methodology starts with assigning a base allocation, which is the product of the jurisdictions' forecasted share of regular growth in the 2018–2040 BCAG Growth Forecast
- BCAG used five allocation methods for their RHNA methodology: Transit Connectivity, Jobs, Wildfire Risk, Agriculture and Forest Land Preserves, and an opportunity score as the allocation methods to adjust the base allocation.
 - a. Transit Connectivity – The higher the proportion of transit access a jurisdiction has, the more housing assigned to the jurisdiction.
 - b. Jobs – The higher proportion of jobs in a jurisdiction, the more housing was assigned. BCAG used California Employment Development Department (EDD) and (2017) Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) OnTheMap estimates for this approach.
 - c. Wildfire Risk – The lower the proportion of high-fire risk area, the more housing was assigned to an area. The Wildfire Risk allocation method uses 2020 CalFire measures of high- and very high-wildfire risk and geographic information system (GIS) analysis to determine what percentage of each jurisdiction's land is not at a high- or very-high risk of wildfire. The intent of this allocation method is to prioritize the construction of homes in jurisdictions with a lower risk of wildfire.
 - d. Agriculture and Forest Land Preserves – The larger the proportion of forest and agricultural land preserves in a jurisdiction, the less housing was assigned.
 - e. Opportunity – The lower the relative proportion of opportunity, the more housing was assigned. BCAG used both HCD/TCAC Opportunity Maps and Percent of Children Living Above the Poverty Level as an opportunity adjustment factor.
- Factor Normalization: BCAG then balanced the five adjustment factors to assure that one adjustment factor is not disproportionately affecting the housing assignment.

- Factor Weighting: BCAG then assigned weights to each allocation method. These weights establish what percentage of the total allocation will be distributed based on that factor.
 - a. Combined TCAC/HCD Opportunity and Childhood Poverty Status allocation method: 10-percent weight
 - b. Transit Connectivity: 10-percent weight
 - c. Number of Jobs: 10-percent weight
 - d. Wildfire Risk: 10-percent weight
 - e. Agriculture and Forest Land Preserves: 10-percent weight
 - f. Base Allocation: 50-percent weight

- Final distribution: The five normalized and weighted factor adjustments were used to distribute the RHNA to each jurisdiction.

San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)

SANDAG's 6th Cycle, the determination of 171,685 housing units for the SANDAG region has been proposed and adopted for the 8.8-year projection period of June 2020 through April 2029. SANDAG's allocation increased by only 6 percent between the 5th and 6th RHNA Cycle.

Using their regional growth forecast as base data, the SANDAG's RHNA Plan methodology allocates RHNA units based primarily on transit proximity, secondly based on jurisdictions with a higher proportion of jobs, and third it more equally disburses very low, low, moderate, and above moderate income units among jurisdictions to better balance the proportion of housing income types in various jurisdictions.

This approach is geared towards the urban framework of the SANDAG region and urban levels of transit and employment. As a result, this approach would not likely work for the AMBAG area as the region does not have urban levels of transit service and jobs.

The SANDAG 6th Cycle RHNA methodology uses the following process:

- Assign 65% of housing units to jurisdictions with access to transit, rail stations, rapid bus stations, and major transit stops with the following split:
 - 75% of units allocated to jurisdictions with rails stations and rapid bus stations
 - 25% of units allocated to jurisdictions with major transit stops

- Using base data from the regional growth forecast, assign the remaining 35% of housing units to jurisdictions based on the proportion of jobs in their jurisdiction
- Apply an equity adjustment to assign the proportion of the four housing income-categories (very low, low, moderate, above moderate) that each jurisdiction must plan for. Jurisdictions with a lower proportion of lower income households receive a higher portion of lower income units; Jurisdictions with a higher proportion of lower income households receive a lower portion of lower income units. This applies similarly to assigning the proportion of moderate and above moderate units. SANDAG used this measure to also meet AFFH requirements.

Figure 1: Comparison of RHNA Methodology Factors by COG

Factor	SCAG	SACOG	ABAG	SBCAG	BCAG	SANDAG
RGF Base Allocation and/or Growth Rate	X	X	X	X	X	X
Employment Access	X	X	X	X	X	X
Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH): HCD/TCAC Opportunity Indices	X	X	X	X	X	X
Transit Access	X		X		X	X
Housing Income Parity Adjustment	X	X		X		X
Other: Overcrowding, Cost Burden, Wildfire, Preserved Land Adjustments				X	X	

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The 2021 AMBAG Board of Director meeting locations are subject to change in light of Governor Newsom’s State of Emergency declaration regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and in accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 and the shelter in place directive.

2021 AMBAG Calendar of Meetings

August 11, 2021	GoToWebinar Meeting Time: 6 pm
September 8, 2021	GoToWebinar Meeting Time: 6 pm
October 13, 2021	GoToWebinar Meeting Time: 6 pm
November 10, 2021	GoToWebinar Meeting Time: 6 pm
December 2021	No Meeting Scheduled

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AMBAG Acronym Guide	
ABM	Activity Based Model
ADA	Americans Disabilities Act
ALUC	Airport Land Use Commission
AMBAG	Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments
ARRA	American Reinvestment and Recovery Act
3CE	Central Coast Community Energy
CAAA	Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (Federal Legislation)
Caltrans	California Department of Transportation
CAFR	Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
CalVans	California Vanpool Authority
CARB	California Air Resources Board
CCJDC	Central Coast Joint Data Committee
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
CHTS	California Households Travel Survey
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement
CPUC	California Public Utilities Commission
CTC	California Transportation Commission
DEIR	Draft Environmental Impact Report
DEM	Digital Elevation Model
DOF	Department of Finance (State of California)
EAC	Energy Advisory Committee
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
FAST Act	Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
FTIP	Federal Transportation Improvement Program
GHG	Greenhouse Gas Emissions
GIS	Geographic Information System
ICAP	Indirect Cost Allocation Plan
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
JPA	Joint Powers Agreement

LTA	San Benito County Local Transportation Authority
LTC	Local Transportation Commission
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21 st Century Act
MBARD	Monterey Bay Air Resources District
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPAD	Monterey Peninsula Airport District
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
MST	Monterey-Salinas Transit
MTP	Metropolitan Transportation Plan
MTIP	Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program
OWP	Overall Work Program
PG&E	Pacific Gas & Electric Company
PPP	Public Participation Plan
RAPS, Inc.	Regional Analysis & Planning Services, Inc.
RFP	Request for Proposal
RHNA	Regional Housing Needs Allocation
RTDM	Regional Travel Demand Model
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan
RTPA	Regional Transportation Planning Agency
SAFETEA-LU	Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users
SB 375	Senate Bill 375
SBtCOG	Council of San Benito County Governments
SCCRTC	Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
SCMTD	Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District
SCS	Sustainable Communities Strategy
S RTP	Short-Range Transit Plan
STIP	State Transportation Improvement Program
TAMC	Transportation Agency for Monterey County
TAZ	Traffic Analysis Zone
USGS	United States Geological Survey
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
VT	Vehicle Trips