

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FINAL REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT  
PLAN FOR THE 2014 – 2023 (FIFTH) HOUSING ELEMENT CYCLE  
FOR MONTEREY AND SANTA CRUZ COUNTIES

WHEREAS, state housing element law requires that the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) adopt a Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Plan prior to the due date for each housing element cycle; and

WHEREAS, the RHNA Plan was prepared in conjunction with the 2035 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and its Sustainable Communities Strategy (2035 MTP/SCS) to improve the connection between planning for transportation, land use, and housing and to help meet the region's greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets set by the California Air Resources Board as required by Senate Bill 375 (SB 375); and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Regional Growth Forecast is the foundation of both the 2035 MTP/SCS land use pattern and the RHNA for the fifth housing element cycle; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is required to consult with AMBAG in determining the existing and projected housing need for the region prior to each housing element cycle; and

WHEREAS, HCD provided AMBAG with a regional housing need number of 10,534 units distributed by four income categories based on the regional percentages of very low (22.5 percent), low (17.1 percent), moderate (18.9 percent), and above moderate (41.5 percent) income households from the 2010 U.S. Census; and

WHEREAS, AMBAG is required by state law to allocate the overall regional housing needs by jurisdiction and income category; and

WHEREAS, AMBAG with the assistance of the Planning Directors Forum and housing stakeholders developed a number of potential methodologies for allocating the region's housing needs by jurisdiction and income category; and

WHEREAS, these methodologies were consistent with the four RHNA objectives in state law and took into consideration local jurisdiction land use plans, market demand for housing, public facilities, suitable sites, commuting patterns, employment projections, percentage of lower income households, and other local planning and demographic factors and principles; and


WHEREAS, in accordance with state law the distribution of the housing needs seeks to reduce the concentration of lower income households in jurisdictions that already have disproportionately high proportions of lower income households; and

WHEREAS the allocation of and planning for the region's future housing needs will assist the region in meeting its housing needs in all four income categories, meeting its GHG targets, addressing its transportation needs as identified in the 2050 RTP/SCS, and helping reduce vehicle miles travelled;

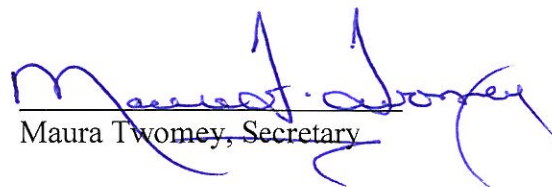
NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby adopts the Final RHNA Plan for the fifth housing element cycle (January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2023).

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of June 2014.



Simon Salinas, President



Maura Twomey, Secretary