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Call for Applications to Serve on the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Advisory Committee: Environmental Justice Expertise Needed

Due August 9, 2019

In 2016, voters of the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area passed Measure AA, the San Francisco Bay Clean Water, Pollution Prevention and Habitat Restoration Measure. This measure is a parcel tax of \$12 per year, raising approximately \$25 million annually for twenty years to fund shoreline projects that will protect and restore the Bay.

Measure AA is expected to generate \$500 million over 20 years. Funding from this measure will allow for the restoration of thousands of acres of natural habitat for wildlife, support our local economy, improve access to public lands, address flooding issues, and create thousands of new jobs.

The Authority's Governing Board is currently seeking a community or agency representative or other expert to serve on the San Francisco Bay Restoration Advisory Committee (AC). Candidates with expertise in addressing environmental justice issues are strongly encouraged to apply. Environmental justice expertise may include experience working with economically disadvantaged communities that are historically underrepresented in environmental policymaking and/or projects, bear a disproportionate environmental and health burden, or are most vulnerable to climate change impacts due to lack of resources required for community resilience.

A stipend for attending meetings will be provided to eligible AC members. Send your **application** to AC Clerk Anna.Schneider@scc.ca.gov by August 9, 2019. Staff intends to recommend a qualified candidate for appointment by the Governing Board at its September 6, 2019 meeting.

The AC's role is to provide diverse perspectives, generate new ideas, and seek consensus on recommendations to Governing Board of the Restoration Authority. Over the past three years, the AC has fulfilled its role by:

- Commenting on grant program documents and procedures;
- Developing a proposed definition of economically disadvantaged communities for the grant program guidelines that was adopted by the Governing Board;
- Developing recommendations on performance measures for the grant program;
- Advising the staff of the Restoration Authority in developing a communications strategy; and
- Reviewing and commenting on the Authority's Annual Report.

Future work of the AC is expected to include:



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- Providing advice on improvements to outreach and technical assistance to partners in disadvantaged communities and other measures to address equity in the Authority's grant program;
- Commenting on future grant program documents and procedures and Annual Reports;
- Other efforts to be determined by the AC with input from the Governing Board and staff.

Serving on the Committee will not prevent that Committee member's organization from applying for grants. Conflicts of interest will be avoided through specific policies that restrict members from influencing project selection in grant rounds in which they are competing for funds. Those AC members who are not applying for funds or explicitly supporting specific projects in a given round may volunteer to serve as grant application reviewers.

The Board seeks to have an Advisory Committee with expertise in the following areas:

- Environmental justice
- Habitat restoration
- Water quality
- Flood protection
- Public access and recreation
- Pollution reduction
- Economics
- Public and private financing
- Community engagement
- Regulatory policies
- Regional and local governance in the San Francisco Bay Area
- Operation and maintenance of public lands
- Monitoring and evaluation of restoration
- Public and private partnerships
- Public health
- Climate change.

Background

The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority was formed by the California Legislature in 2008. The Authority's mission is to raise and allocate resources for the restoration, enhancement, protection, and enjoyment of wetlands and wildlife habitat in the San Francisco Bay and along its shoreline, as well as related public recreation and flood protection projects.

The Authority is led by a Governing Board of seven members from local governments. An Advisory Committee comprised of private citizens, local stakeholders and experts on Bay issues supports the work of the Authority. The Advisory Committee represents both the interests of the community, as well as the



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interests of agencies within the Restoration Authority's jurisdiction, pertaining to the restoration of wetland areas in the San Francisco Bay and along its shoreline.

For more information on the [San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority](#), please visit our [website](#). Information about the AC can be found [here](#).

To Apply

If interested, please fill out the attached [application](#), and send it electronically to Anna Schneider at Anna.Schneider@scc.ca.gov by August 9, 2019.

Questions? Contact Jessica Davenport, Deputy Program Manager, SF Bay Restoration Authority, at Jessica.Davenport@scc.ca.gov or 510-286-4164.