Biographies of Recommended Advisory Committee Members

1. **Sara Azat** is a Fish Biologist at the National Marine Fisheries Service. She has extensive experience in fishery regulation and management and the evaluation of habitat restoration projects. She has served lead coordinator for interagency groups and work groups involving the public.

2. **Carolyn Bloede** is a member of the public from San Mateo County. As Sustainability Program Manager for Alameda County, she led a collaborative process to develop and implement the county’s first Climate Action Plan. She previously worked on pollution reduction and the remediation of contaminated sites.

3. **Steve Chappell** is Executive Director of the Suisun Resource Conservation District. He oversees daily operation and maintenance of 1,300 acres of managed and tidal wetlands at the District’s Dean Witter Marshlands Property.

4. **Adrian Covert** is Vice President for Public Policy at the Bay Area Council, the region’s largest multi-sector business advocacy association. He has led the Council’s water supply and climate resilience initiatives for over seven years, including co-chairing the Measure AA campaign, and he co-authored a 2015 report on the Bay Area’s economic vulnerability to extreme storm events.

5. **Arthur Deicke** is a member of the public from Sonoma County and serves as Managing Member of Environmental Pollution Solutions LLC. His experience in water quality and pollution prevention includes storm water management and remediation of contaminated soil and ground water. He has also conducted budget reviews for public, private and non-profit organizations.

6. **Gregg Erickson** is Regional Manager for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, which owns, restores and maintains extensive wetlands around the edge of the San Francisco Bay. He has extensive experience in regulatory consultation, interagency science coordination, advance mitigation, and water quality research.

7. **Christopher Gurney** is member of the public from Alameda County. He serves as Wetlands Program Director at the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. His role includes identifying, soliciting, evaluating, developing, and implementing wetland and stream restoration projects.

8. **Judy Kelly** is Executive Director of the North Bay Watershed Association, a group of 18 regional and local agencies focused on pollution reduction and water supply issues throughout the North Bay region. The former director of the San Francisco Estuary
Partnership, she hopes to build strong partnership between the Authority and North Bay agencies and organizations.

9. **Shin-Roei Lee** is Board Director at the Chinese American Environmental Professional Association. She previously oversaw all water quality regulatory programs at the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board and managed the Watershed Division at the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board.

10. **Rebecca Schwarz Lesberg** is San Francisco Bay Program Director at Audubon California. She oversees habitat restoration projects focused on salt marsh, eelgrass, and living shorelines restoration. She also has expertise in designing public access and leading community-based restoration events.

11. **Roger Leventhal** is a Senior Engineer at the Marin County Flood Control & Water Conservation District. He is the official representative for the Bay Area Association of Flood Protection Agencies, representing the interests of flood protection agencies around the Bay edge. He has over 25 years of experience in the use of natural systems for flood risk reduction.

12. **Sally Lieber** is a member of the public from Santa Clara County. She has served as a state senator, Mountain View City Council member and Chair of the Santa Clara Valley Water Commission. As Assembly Speaker pro Tem, she authored AB 2954, the 2008 San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Act, which created the Authority.

13. **Christopher Lim** is Executive Director of the Contra Costa Resource Conservation District. His experience includes community engagement, restoration of native oyster and steelhead trout habitat, and public and private financing.

14. **Mike Mielke** is Senior Vice President of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, a business trade association for technology firms and associated industries. He engages with the public to forge consensus and develop effective programs and partnerships on water, climate and clean energy.

15. **Marina Psaros** is a member of the public from San Francisco. She is the Principal at Coravai LLC and serves as Communications Manager for Power at the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. She co-founded King Tides Project, and created Youth Exploring Sea Level Rise Science. She was the public engagement lead for San Mateo County’s sea level rise planning process and advised on Marin County’s sea level rise planning process.

16. **Laura Thompson** is Assistant Planning Director at the Association of Bay Area Governments/Metropolitan Transportation Commission. In her work as the San Francisco Bay Trail Project Manager and as a member of the San Francisco Bay Area Water Trail Project Management Team, she works with numerous agencies and organizations to balance habitat and recreation needs while promoting shoreline access.

17. **Diane M. Williams** is a Health Educator at Planting Justice. She has 40 years of experience working in environmental justice. She translates important public health issues to low-income people of color and works to eliminate health disparities.
18. **Beckie Zisser** is a Supervising Program Administrator in the Office of Government Relations at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, where she works to promote the District’s federally-partnered flood protection and water supply projects. She previously served as the Climate Change Program Manager for Save The Bay, where she worked to secure state and federal funding for Bay restoration.