Call for Applications to Serve on the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority's Independent Citizens Oversight Committee

Due March XX, 2018

On June 7th, 2016, residents of the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area voted with a 70% majority to pass 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 the next 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 seeks 6 individuals to serve on the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee ("Committee"). Send your application to **info@sfbayrestore.org** by March XX, 2018.

The Committee has three main roles:

1. Annually review the Authority's conformance with Measure AA;
2. Review the Authority's audits and expenditure and financial reports; and
3. Publish an annual report of its findings, which will be posted on the Authority's website.

The Oversight Committee will work independently of the Advisory Committee of the Authority, providing a completely independent annual analysis of the work of the Authority, focused on the Authority's expenditures and finances and on the Authority's conformance with the requirements of Measure AA. The Oversight Committee will meet at least twice each year: once to discuss and make initial comments on the Authority's annual reports and any financial documents, such as financial audits or reports; and a second time to discuss, amend, and adopt its findings to the Authority, in the form of a written report. Committee members will be expected to review the reports prior to the meetings, and additional meetings may be necessary to complete the required tasks.

The Board seeks Committee members from all four Bay Area regions and with special subject matter expertise.

Geographic Representation: The Oversight Committee should have at least one representative from each of the four regions, and the two remaining Committee members should be from counties not already represented.

San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

- North Bay: the Counties of Marin, Napa, Solano, and Sonoma.
- East Bay: Contra Costa County and the portion of Alameda County that is north of the southern boundary of the City of Hayward, excluding the Delta primary zone.
- South Bay: Santa Clara County, the portion of Alameda County that is south of the southern boundary of the City of Hayward, and the portion of San Mateo county that is south of the northern boundary of Redwood City.
- West Bay: the City and County of San Francisco and the portion of San Mateo County that is north of the northern boundary of Redwood City.

Subject Matter Expertise: Each member of the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee must possess expertise in one or more of the following subject matters:

- Water quality,
- Pollution reduction,
- Habitat restoration,
- Flood protection,
- Improvement of public access to the bay, or
- Financing of these objectives.

Factors that Determine Ineligibility for Membership: No person may serve on the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee who:

- Is an elected official or government employee;
- Has had or could have a financial interest in a decision of the Authority; or
- Is affiliated with an organization associated with a member of the Governing Board.

Terms: The Committee members will generally serve terms of three years, but in the first year, two members shall be appointed to one year terms, two members shall be appointed to two year terms, and two members shall be appointed to three year terms.

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

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 the **Guidelines for the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee** and for more information on the **San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority**, please visit our **website**.

To Apply

If interested, please fill out the attached application, and send it electronically to **info@sfbayrestore.org** by March XX, 2018.

Questions? Contact Karen McDowell, Project Manager, SF Bay Restoration Authority, at **karen.mcdowell@sfestuary.org** or 415-778-6685.