



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department
Date: November 3, 2015

Subject: First Amendment to the 2015 Bay Area Regional Energy Network Subcontract Agreement between the Association of Bay Area Governments and County

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Conservation and Development Director, or designee, to execute a First Amendment to the 2015 Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) subcontract agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to increase the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) grant-funded reimbursement limit by \$39,500 to a new reimbursement limit of \$220,334, with no change to the original term of January 1 through December 31, 2015, to implement additional BayREN marketing, education, and outreach activities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No impact to the General Fund. Costs are fully reimbursable with CPUC grant funding and no County matching funds are required.

BACKGROUND:

In July 2012, the County entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN), a collaborative partnership among the nine (9) Bay Area counties (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma Counties) led by ABAG, which focuses on implementing

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/03/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: November 3, 2015

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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By: Chris Heck, Deputy

cc:

energy efficiency programs throughout the Bay Area.

Since 2013, all BayREN agencies have been receiving CPUC Grant funding each calendar year to provide marketing, education and outreach for the following four (4) energy efficiency subprograms: (1) Single-Family; (2) Multi-Family; (3) Building Codes and Standards; and (4) Energy Efficiency Financing.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Both the Single-Family and Multi-Family subprograms offer free technical services and financial incentives (rebates) if owners/contractors make specific energy efficiency improvements to existing residential structures. The Building Codes and Standards subprogram offers various resources (including training) to support local government officials with building energy code compliance and enforcement. The Energy Efficiency Financing subprogram focuses on marketing various financing options to diverse commercial and residential consumer markets throughout the Bay Area.

At the end of calendar year 2014, ABAG had unspent Building Codes and Standards funding that was authorized by the CPUC to be used in 2015. As a result, the nine Bay Area Counties decided to allocate the unspent funds to include additional Codes and Standards activities, which include a Home Energy Score Toolkit and a Regional Plan Check Support Program. The Home Energy Score Toolkit is being developed and tested to provide homeowners with a means to evaluate the energy efficiency of their homes. The Regional Plan Check Support Program is being implemented to test new strategies and technologies to improve compliance with the Energy Code and determine the feasibility of potentially implementing such activities at a broader scale in Building Departments/Agencies throughout the Bay Area.

The proposed subcontract agreement between ABAG and Contra Costa County will allow the County to receive an additional \$39,500 in CPUC grant funds to cover the costs of providing assistance with the implementation of the Regional Plan Check Support Program and continue to promote the existing Single-Family and Multi-Family subprograms offered in Contra Costa County. The amount specified in the agreement is not to exceed \$220,334 and will cover the period of January 1 through December 31, 2015 (no change in the existing term).

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The County will not receive additional grant funds in the amount of \$39,500 to help support local BayREN activities.

ATTACHMENTS

BayREN Agreement