

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Advisory Committee
San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

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SUBJECT: San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority-Funded Projects with Community-Based Organization Partners and that Benefit Economically Disadvantaged Communities

Staff of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority (Authority) have been working in partnership with the Authority’s Advisory Committee (AC) to develop Equity Guidelines and associated equity metrics that could be incorporated into the existing set of performance measures that are included in the Authority’s annual reports. Currently, the primary equity performance measure is the percentage of projects that benefit an economically disadvantaged community (EDC). One of the options proposed for an additional equity performance measure was the amount of funding passed to community-based organizations (CBOs) through the regular grant round projects, to be calculated as they close out, as well as funding provided through the Community Grants Program.

As an initial step toward assessing this potential metric, Authority staff prepared the chart below showing the range of project types involving CBOs and benefiting EDCs. The chart shows regular grant round projects with CBO grantees and subcontractors, followed by projects funded through the Community Grant Program and regular grant round projects that benefit EDCs.

Regular Grant Round Projects with CBO subcontractors and grantees (CBOs shown in green font)

Project	Award	Location
Oakland Shoreline Leadership Academy , West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project <i>WOEIP hosted the project.</i>	\$180,000	Oakland
Tiscornia Marsh Restoration and Sea Level Rise Adaptation , Marin Audubon Society <i>Multicultural Center of Marin facilitated community outreach to engage residents of the Canal District about the project.</i>	\$4,507,763	San Rafael (Canal District)
Heron's Head Park Shoreline Resilience Project: Phases 1 and 2 , Port of San Francisco <i>Literacy for Environmental Justice recruited Eco Apprentice interns who were trained in native plant identification and cultivation and help LEJ staff remove invasive plants.</i>	\$1,093,100	Bayview Hunters Point
De-Pave Park , City of Alameda	\$850,000	Alameda

<i>Alameda Point Collaborative</i> developed the community supported development of the community stewardship program design.		
Baylands Habitat Restoration and Community Engagement in East Palo Alto , Grassroots Ecology <i>Climate Resilient Communities</i> held seminars on environmental topics, led habitat restoration and stewardship events, and provided stipends to those who participate in stewardship and leadership training.	\$686,016	East Palo Alto
SAFER Bay , San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority <i>Nuestra Casa and Climate Resilient Communities</i> , in partnership with Grassroots Ecology, led development of a public outreach plan and organized outreach events to engage stakeholders and community members in the planning process and solicited feedback on proposed actions.	\$4,980,000	East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, Palo Alto

Community Grants to CBOs

Project	Award	City
Bay Restoration: Youth Engagement and Service Learning in East Oakland, <i>Planting Justice</i>	\$99,713	Oakland
Candlestick Point Stewardship Project (Phases 1 and 2), <i>Literacy for Environmental Justice</i>	\$300,000	Bayview Hunters Point
Marin City Urban Wetland Community Visioning Project, <i>Marin City Climate Resilience and Health Justice</i> <i>Fiscal sponsor: Center for Volunteer & Nonprofit Leadership</i>	\$100,000	Marin City
San Leandro (Lisjan) Creek Community Project, <i>David R. Brower, Ronald V. Dellums Institute for Sustainable Policy Studies and Action</i> <i>Fiscal sponsor: Social Good Fund</i>	\$100,000	Oakland

Other projects that benefit EDCs and/or had external funding for CBO subcontractors

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900 Innes Remediation , City and County of San Francisco, Recreation and Park Department <i>A. Phillip Randolph Institute</i> carried out community outreach, including creating an Equitable Development Plan in partnership with the SF Rec and Park Department, SF Parks Alliance, and Trust for Public Land	\$4.99 M	Bayview Hunters Point
Burlingame Shoreline Park Project , The SPHERE Institute <i>San Mateo Resource Conservation District and Green Foothills</i> implemented a community outreach plan in an EDC of the City of Burlingame.	\$1,491,499	Burlingame
Colma Creek Restoration and Adaptation Project , City of South San Francisco	\$595,000	South San Francisco

<i>Mission Blue Nursery and Association of Ramaytush Ohlone brought a storytelling and educational approach to a shoreline site as a temporary test nursery and outdoor classroom.</i>		
San Pablo Baylands Collaborative Protection and Restoration Project , Ducks Unlimited and Sonoma Land Trust <i>Ducks Unlimited brought students from Mare Island Technology (MIT) Academy, located in an EDC in Vallejo, to explore the Refuge and participate in environmental education activities focused on tidal wetland habitats.</i>	\$4.67M	San Pablo Baylands (unincorporated Napa and Sonoma Counties)
Encinal Dune Restoration and Public Access , East Bay Regional Park District <i>Benefits an EDC in the City of Alameda by providing habitat restoration, climate smart features, and public access improvements to benefit the community economically.</i>	\$450,000	Alameda
Restoring wetland-upland transition zone habitat in the North Bay with STRAW , Point Blue Conservation Science <i>Benefits EDCs by engaging students from low-income communities in habitat restoration.</i>	\$2,661,264	North Bay counties
Deer Island Basin Phase I Tidal Wetlands Restoration Project , Marin County Flood Control District <i>Benefits the EDC of Nave Gardens, a flood prone neighborhood in the City of Novato by providing flood reduction benefits.</i>	\$630,000	Novato
South Bay Salt Ponds Restoration Project , Phase 2, Ducks Unlimited <i>Benefits several nearby EDCs: Eden Landing is near Union City, and Ravenswood is near East Palo Alto, and the Island Ponds are adjacent to the community of Alviso. The project will provide much-needed outdoor recreational access opportunities to members of these communities as well as improvements to bay water quality and resilience to sea level rise.</i>	\$5M	South Bay
South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Project , Santa Clara Valley Water District <i>Benefits the neighborhood of Alviso, an EDC in the City of San Jose by removing nearby properties from the FEMA flood plain which will lower homeowners' annual flood insurance premiums, in addition to other environmental and recreational enhancements.</i>	\$61M	South Bay
San Leandro Treatment Wetland for Pollution Reduction, Habitat Enhancement and Shoreline Resiliency , City of San Leandro <i>Benefits an EDC in the City of San Leandro by providing educational resources, nature-based infrastructure to improve water treatment, and enhanced natural resources.</i>	\$539,000	San Leandro
Coyote Hills Restoration and Public Access , East Bay Regional Park District <i>Benefits an EDC in the City of Fremont by providing improved public access features to the park.</i>	\$3.95M	Fremont

<p>Lower Walnut Creek Restoration, Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District <i>Benefits an EDC east of the City of Martinez by providing a destination to access the Bay shoreline, the associated trails and other recreational benefits, educational opportunities, and open space.</i></p>	\$7.9M	Martinez (near)
<p>North Richmond Shoreline Living Levee, West County Wastewater District <i>Benefits an EDC in the North Richmond unincorporated area of Contra Costa County by providing flood protection benefits.</i></p>	\$644,709	Richmond
<p>Suisun Marsh Fish Screen Rehabilitation Project: Phase 1 and 2, Suisun Resource Conservation District <i>Benefits EDCs in the Cities of Suisun City Pittsburg, south Fairfield, and Travis Air Force Base by improving water quality and fish populations to support recreational fishing in the area.</i></p>	\$1.7M	Suisun Marsh
<p>American Canyon Wetlands Restoration Plan, City of American Canyon <i>Benefits EDCs in the City of American Canyon by providing plans for flood protection, sea-level rise resilience, and increased public access.</i></p>	\$517,500	American Canyon
<p>Long Beach Restoration Design Project, City of San Leandro <i>Benefits EDCs in the City of San Leandro, the Mission Bay Mobile Home Park and Washington Manor neighborhoods, by providing recreational opportunities and job training.</i></p>	\$514,500	San Leandro
<p>Hayward Marsh Restoration Project, East Bay Regional Park District <i>Benefits an EDC in the City of Hayward, Russell City, by engaging the community in a plan for sea-level rise resilience and improved public access.</i></p>	\$575,000	Hayward
<p>Evolving Shorelines Project at Bothin Marsh, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy <i>Benefits an EDC in Marin City by providing public access.</i></p>	\$255,000	Mill Valley