



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager



DATE: November 17, 2014
BOARD MEETING DATE: January 13, 2015
SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None
VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jim Eggemeyer, Director of the Office of Sustainability

SUBJECT: Agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments Necessary to Implement Programs of Energy Upgrade California in San Mateo County in 2015

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments necessary to implement programs of Energy Upgrade California in San Mateo County in 2015 as a participant in the Bay Area Regional Energy Network in an amount not to exceed \$333,759.

BACKGROUND:

On June 18, 2013, your Board adopted a resolution authorizing an agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to implement the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) programs. The County has conducted local outreach for the Single Family residential, Multi-Family residential, Codes and Standards, and Financing sub-programs through 2014.

DISCUSSION:

BayREN has been awarded \$12.8 million for the 2015 funding cycle of the California Public Utility Commission (CPUC). The BayREN portfolio of programs will continue to include the Single Family residential, Multi-Family residential, Codes and Standards, and Financing sub-programs. Each of the 9 BayREN counties is entering into funding/program services agreements with ABAG for activities and deliverables under the four sub-programs. The majority of funding will support incentive payouts to residents and multi-family property owners, as well as local marketing and technical assistance infrastructure. The program will continue to be implemented through a fiscal agency agreement between ABAG and PG&E.

On November 14, 2014, the County of San Mateo was elected by BayREN participating agencies to serve as the Lead implementing agency for the regional Single Family residential program for the year 2015. The County has accepted this new role and will also continue its local outreach on the four sub-programs in 2015.

The County will receive a total of \$333,759 in direct funding for BayREN programs. This funding includes \$143,759 to continue local implementation activities in San Mateo County related to BayREN program goals, as well as \$190,000 for implementation of the regional Single Family residential program across the BayREN territory as the Lead agency. County residents and businesses will also have access to an array of incentives, resources, and financing options to assist them in completing residential and commercial energy upgrades. The term of the contract is January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. Once the final contract documents are received, the County will need to launch its efforts as quickly as possible.

Approval of this Resolution contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of an Environmentally Conscious Community by supporting the energy retrofit market in San Mateo County. Energy retrofits help to protect our natural resources by creating local green jobs and reducing greenhouse gas emissions by lowering energy consumption.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Agreement and Resolution as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total cost of project implementation in San Mateo County is estimated at \$333,759. All project costs will be funded through CPUC funds via the Agreement with ABAG. There is no Net County Cost.