

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY MANAGER: OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY **File #:** 20-150

Board Meeting Date: 3/24/2020

Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Jim Eggemeyer, Director, Office of Sustainability

Subject: Agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments for the County of San Mateo to Implement Bay Area Regional Energy Network Programs in the County for calendar years 2020-2022

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments for the County to implement Bay Area Regional Energy Network programs in San Mateo County for the term of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$637,383.

BACKGROUND:

The Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) is a collaboration of the nine (9) Bay Area counties implementing energy saving programs on a regional level. BayREN is administered by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) with funding from the California utility ratepayers under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). Since the first program cycle in 2013, ABAG has contracted with the County for local outreach for the Single Family residential, Multifamily residential, Codes and Standards, and Financing sub-programs. At the beginning of each calendar year, this Board has adopted a resolution authorizing the County to continue local outreach support for BayREN programs.

DISCUSSION:

ABAG has been awarded \$71.5 million for calendar years 2020-22 from the California Public Utility Commission (CPUC) for BayREN programs. The BayREN portfolio of programs will continue to include the Single Family residential, Multifamily residential, Codes and Standards, Commercial Sector, Water/Energy Nexus, and Green Labeling sub-programs. Each of the nine BayREN counties is entering into funding/program services agreements with ABAG for activities and deliverables to implement the six sub-programs. The majority of funding will support incentive payouts to residents and multifamily property owners who participate in the program(s), as well as local marketing and technical assistance infrastructure. The County will receive a total of \$637,383 in direct funding for County labor and expenditures for BayREN programs for calendar years 2020-2022. 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. County residents and businesses are eligible to receive up to \$30.7 million in the form of rebates for participating and completing projects through the program. The term of the agreement is January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2022.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the agreement and resolution as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the Agreement will be from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022 with the Office receiving revenue of up to \$637,383 from ABAG to implement the BayREN programs. This revenue has been included in the Office's FY 2019-20 Adopted Budget and will be included in future budgets.

ATTACHMENT:

ABAG Implementation Agreement