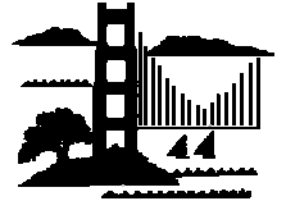




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# BAY AREA DECISION MAKERS

A Directory of Regional & Subregional Agencies  
in the San Francisco Bay Area

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## **ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS (ABAG)**

MetroCenter, 101 8th Street, Oakland, CA 94607 Telephone: (510) 464-7900

P.O. Box 2050, Oakland, CA 94604-2050 FAX: (510) 464-7970

<http://www.abag.ca.gov/>

**Purpose:** Provide regionwide planning and local government services.

- Areawide comprehensive planning to solve land use, housing, transportation, environmental quality, and economic development problems through cooperative action among local governments.
- The Regional Data Center and Economic Clearinghouse (see AbagOnline at <http://www.abag.ca.gov/>) providing economic, demographic, environmental, and governmental information.
- Training in technical and computer skills and management techniques.
- A variety of pooled financial and insurance services to fund local government projects and achieve liability and insurance savings; a “power pool” for the purchase of natural gas.

**Date established:** 1961

**Enabling legislation:** Joint exercise of powers agreements among cities and counties in the Bay Area

**Type:** Council of governments; a voluntary association owned and operated by its city and county members

**Jurisdiction:** 100 of 101 Cities and all 9 Bay Area counties

**Financed by:** 62% state and 12% federal funds; 18% services; 5% membership dues; 3% other contracts

**2005-2006 Budget:** \$26,200,342

**General Assembly** (bicameral body):

**Purpose:** Makes policy decisions and determines policy matters for ABAG; reviews major policy actions and recommendations of the Executive Board.

**Meetings:** Twice/year, generally April and October

**Delegates:** Officials from 9 counties and 100 member cities, elected by the jurisdictions which they present. For the City of San Francisco, the mayor may appoint as alternate any officer of the government.

**Term:** At the pleasure of the appointing agency

**Governing body:** ABAG Executive Board

**Members:** Up to 38, selected by vote of county supervisors and council of mayors in each county, for 2 year terms.

**Meetings:** Usually 3rd Thursday every other month (Jan., March, May, July, Sept., Nov.), 7:30 p.m., at MetroCenter

**Staff**

Number: 77

Executive Director: Henry Gardner (510) 464-7910

Information: Kathleen Cha, Senior Communications Officer (510) 464-7922  
[info@abag.ca.gov](mailto:info@abag.ca.gov)

## **BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (BAAQMD)**

939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109

Telephone: (415) 771- 6000

<http://www.baaqmd.gov/>

FAX: (415) 928- 8560

**Purpose:** Air pollution control through enacting and enforcing regulations and permitting industrial and commercial sources. To reduce motor vehicle emissions, the District sponsors projects and programs that reduce motor vehicle use and encourage the use of clean fuel vehicles (e.g. electric and compressed natural gas vehicles.) The District also coordinates with MTC, ABAG, cities, counties and other agencies to reduce the air quality impacts of land use and transportation decisions. The District, in cooperation with MTC and ABAG, prepares air quality plans in accordance with State and federal law. The District also has outreach programs to educate the public about air quality and influence choices that benefit the environment such as the "Spare the Air" program. The smoking vehicle program allows individuals to report vehicles with excessive tailpipe exhaust at (800) EXHAUST. Follow-up letters are sent to registered owners.

**Date established:** 1955

**Enabling Legislation:** Health and Safety Code

**Type:** Joint Powers Authority

**Jurisdiction:** Counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, portions of Solano, Sonoma.

**Financed by:** Permit fees, property taxes, Environmental Protection Agency, Air Resources Board and miscellaneous sources of revenue.

**2006-2007 Budget:** \$62,152,751

**Governing body:** Board of Directors

**Members:** 22, selected by county Board of Supervisors, or city Selection Committee, or appointed by mayor

**Term:** Supervisors, 4 years; council members and mayors, 2 years

**Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 9:45 a.m., District Headquarters

**Staff:**

Number: 340

Executive Officer/Air Pollution Officer Jack P. Broadbent (415) 749-5052

Director of Outreach and Incentives: Jack M. Colbourn (415) 749-4900

Information: (415) 749-4900

## **BAY CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (BCDC)**

50 California Street, Suite 2600, San Francisco, CA 94111 Telephone: (415) 352-3600

<http://www.bcdc.ca.gov/>

FAX: (415) 352-3606

**Purpose:** To regulate filling, dredging, and changes in existing uses in the Bay, adjacent salt ponds and managed wetlands within a 100 foot shoreline band.

To limit new development to water dependent uses, assure public access and protect environmental resources in conformity with its Bay Plan.

**Date established:** 1965

**Enabling legislation:** McAteer-Petris Act; Suisun Marsh Preservation Act

**Type:** State commission of regional character

**Jurisdiction:** San Francisco, San Pablo, Suisun bays; limited jurisdiction over 100-foot band around edge of bays

**Financed by:** State general fund and federal grants

**2006-7 Budget:** \$5,103,000

**Governing body:** Commission

**Members:** 27; 5 appointed by Governor, 2 by the Legislature, others appointed by federal and state agencies, cities, and counties; term at pleasure of appointing body.

**Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Thursday, 1:00 p.m., (1st meeting of the month held at SF Port Commission Board Room, Ferry Building; 2nd meeting held at MetroCenter, 101 8th St., Oakland)

### **Staff**

Number: 44

Executive Director: Will Travis (415) 352-3653

Information: [info@bcdc.ca.gov](mailto:info@bcdc.ca.gov)

## METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC)

MetroCenter, 101 8th Street, Oakland, CA 94607-4700

Telephone: (510) 817-7700

<http://www.mtc.ca.gov>

E-mail: [info@mtc.ca.gov](mailto:info@mtc.ca.gov)

FAX: (510) 817-7848

**Purpose:** Regional transportation planning, funding and implementation.

- Financial programming of all modes of surface transportation for movement of people and goods.
- Coordination of county and transit operator transportation planning and programming.
- Allocation of state and federal funds in support of transportation improvements and operations.

**Date established:** 1971

**Enabling legislation:** Government Code Sections 66500 *et seq.*, the Metropolitan Transportation Act

**Type:** Regional transportation planning agency

**Jurisdiction:** Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, Santa Clara, San Mateo, Solano, and Sonoma Counties

**Financed by:** State and federal funds

**2004-2005 Budget:** \$131 million

**Governing body:** Commission

**Members:** 19 (16 voting), appointed for 4-year terms by boards of supervisors, city selection committees, mayor's office in San Francisco, or agencies they represent (concurrent terms; next expiration 2/07)

**Meetings:** 4th Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.; usually MetroCenter Auditorium

### **Staff**

Number: 160

Executive Director: Steve Heminger (510) 464-7810

Senior Public Information Officer: Brenda Kahn (510) 464-5773

Public Information Technician: Pam Grove (510) 464-7787

## MTC Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways (MTC SAFE)

**Purpose:** To administer the Bay Area's roadside call box program, the Freeway Service Patrol roving tow truck service and other motorist-aid programs.

**Date established:** 1988

**Enabling legislation:** Streets and Highways Code Sections 2550 *et seq.* (call boxes) and 2560 *et seq.* (the Freeway Service Patrol Act).

**Type:** Regional transportation operating authority for motorist aid programs

**Jurisdiction:** See MTC (operating as MTC SAFE)

**Financed by:** Federal, state and local funds

**2004-2005 Budget:** \$13.3 million

**Governing body:** Commission (operating as MTC SAFE)

**Members:** see <http://www.mtc.ca.gov>

**Meetings:** 4th Wednesday (as needed), 10 a.m., MetroCenter, accompanied by MTC & BATA

**Staff:** See MTC

### **Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA)**

**Purpose:** To administer all toll revenue on the San Francisco Bay Area's seven state-owned toll bridges and to administer joint oversight of the toll bridge construction program with Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission. BATA is responsible for oversight and funding of the Regional Measure 1 and Regional Measure 2 projects.

**Date established:** 1998

**Enabling legislation:** Chapter 328, Statutes 1997 (SB 226-Kopp), primarily under Streets and Highways Code Sections 30950 *et seq.*

**Type:** Regional authority for funding operation, maintenance, and construction of toll bridges.

**Jurisdiction:** See MTC (operating as BATA)

**Financed by:** Bridge tolls

**2004-2005 Budget:** \$460 million

**Governing body:** Commission (operating as BATA)

**Members:** MTC Commissioners (see <http://www.mtc.ca.gov>)

**Meetings:** 4th Wednesday 10 a.m., MetroCenter, accompanied by MTC and SAFE meetings

**Staff:** See MTC

### **REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (RWQCB)**

#### **San Francisco Bay Region**

1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400, Oakland, CA 94612

Telephone: (510) 622-2300

<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay>

FAX: (510) 622-2460

**Purpose:** To protect the quality of surface and ground water within the region for beneficial uses.

**Date established:** 1950

**Enabling legislation:** Federal Clean Water Act, California Water Code, California Health and Safety Code

**Type:** State board

**Jurisdiction:** Portions of the 9 Bay Area counties

**Financed by:** State and federal funding

**2005-2006 Budget:** Approximately \$11 million

**Governing body:** Board of Directors, San Francisco Bay Region

**Members:** 9, appointed by Governor and confirmed by Senate, for 4-year terms

**Meetings:** 2nd Wednesday of each month, 9:00 a.m., Auditorium, State Building, 1515 Clay Street, Oakland

#### **Staff**

**Number:** 115

**Executive Officer:** Bruce Wolfe

**Information:** Sandi Potter (510) 622-2426 or Wil Bruhns (510) 622-2327

## **SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA WATER TRANSIT AUTHORITY (WTA)**

120 Broadway, San Francisco, CA 94111

Telephone: (415) 291-3377

<http://www.watertransit.org>

FAX: (415) 291-3388

- Purpose:** To relieve the Bay Area's traffic congestion by creating a viable plan that will enhance the region's public transit system by delivering a cost effective, convenient and environmentally responsible ferry transit system, while positioning ferry service to meet emergency response needs.
- Date established:** 1999
- Enabling legislation:** Chapter 1011 of the Statutes of 1999, Chapter 656, Section 12(b)2, Statutes of 2000
- Type:** Regional Agency
- Jurisdiction:** The nine counties surrounding the San Francisco Bay
- Financed by:** In 2000, the California Legislature appropriated \$12 million to fund the environmental impact reports and design functions. Future funding depend upon a variety of new regional, federal, local and state transportation-specific allocations, including a portion of the proposed dollar toll increase on all state-owned bridges.
- 2006-2007 Budget:** \$27.3 million
- Governing body:** Board of Directors
- Members:** 11 serving an eight year term: 4 members appointed by the Governor; 2 members appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules; 2 members appointed by the Assembly Committee on Rules; remaining members appointed, one each, by the three ferry operators.  
As required by the legislation, six of the board members consist of a representative from the maritime industry, a representative from the transit industry, a biological resource specialist, two locally elected officials, and a representative from the public at large who is a regular user of water transit services.
- Meetings:** 4th Thursday at 1:30 pm, Pier 1, Bayside Conference Rm. SF.
- Staff**
- |                                   |                   |                |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Number:                           | 9                 |                |
| Chief Executive Officer           | Steve Castleberry | (415) 291-3377 |
| Mgr. Community & Gov't Relations: | Shirley Douglas   | (415) 291-3377 |



## **INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEES**

### **JOINT POLICY COMMITTEE**

- Purpose:** Coordinates the regional planning efforts of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and pursues implementation of the Bay Area's Smart Growth Vision as expressed in the Smart Growth Preamble and Policies and the Smart Growth Strategy/ Regional Livability Footprint Project.
- Enabling Legislation:** SB 849 (Torlakson), 2004, Sections 66536 Government Code.
- Members:** The JPC has twenty-two members - seven from the Executive Board of ABAG, seven from the BAAQMD Board of Directors, and seven MTC Commissioners. The Secretary of the State of California's Business, Transportation and Housing is a non-voting member.
- Meetings:** Bi-monthly 10 a.m. - Noon, Metro Center
- Information:** Regional Planning Program Director, Ted Droettboom. (510) 464-7942

### **PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

- Purpose:** Coordination of transportation planning programming and policy.
- Members:** 45 Executive Directors or CEO's of the Transit Agencies: four Public Works Directors and representatives from the Port Authority, BAAQMD, MTC, ABAG, Caltrans, CTC, CHP, BCDC, FHWA, EPA and FTA.
- Information:** Therese McMillan MTC (510) 464-7828

### **REGIONAL AIRPORT PLANNING COMMITTEE**

- Purpose:** To maintain the Regional Airport System Plan, the aviation element of the Regional Transportation Plan, and provide a forum for the discussion of regional aviation issues.
- Members:** ABAG (3); MTC (3); CalTrans (1); BCDC (3); Federal Aviation Administration (1); General Aviation (1); San Francisco International Airport (1); San Jose International Airport (1); Oakland Metropolitan International Airport (1)
- Meetings:** Quarterly, or at call of chair, MetroCenter
- Information:** Doug Kimsey, MTC (510) 817-7831; <http://www.mtc.ca.gov>

### **REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**

- Purpose:** Provides research and recommendations to Executive Board of ABAG on environmental management, housing and infrastructure planning, comprehensive planning policies and procedures, special plans, reports, and referrals from Executive Board.
- Members:** Elected officials from ABAG member jurisdictions: at least 1 county and 1 city representative each from BCDC, MTC, RWQCB; and 11 representatives from public and special interest groups.
- Meetings:** First Wednesday, 1 – 3 p.m., Metro Center
- Information:** ABAG Planning Director (510) 464-7927; <http://www.abag.ca.gov>

## **REGIONAL SEAPORT PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Purpose:** Review regionwide port plans; make recommendations to MTC and BCDC  
**Members:** Representatives from BCDC, MTC, and the Bay Area ports, as well as representatives from ABAG, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Bay Area Council, Caltrans, the U.S. Maritime Administration, and Save San Francisco Bay Association  
**Meetings:** As needed  
**Information:** Linda Scourtis BCDC (415) 352-3600; <http://www.bcdc.ca.gov>

## **SAN FRANCISCO ESTUARY PROJECT**

**Purpose:** To develop effective management of the San Francisco Bay Delta Estuary, restore and maintain its water quality and natural resources by implementing the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) for the Estuary.  
**Members:** Participants represent diverse environmental, social, and economic interests. They serve on one or more of the Project's committees. The Executive Council is responsible for the overall policy direction of the Project. The Implementation Committee promotes and helps facilitate actions to achieve goals of the Plan. It evaluates Project products, and advises and makes recommendations to the Executive Council. The "Friends of the San Francisco Bay Estuary" is a nonprofit established to continue the wide public outreach program and help raise funds for activities that meet the goals of the Plan.  
**Meetings:** Executive Council As Needed  
Implementation Committee Quarterly- May, May, August, November  
**Information:** Marcia Brockbank, Program Manager (510) 622-2325  
E-mail: [MLB@rb2.swrcb.ca.gov](mailto:MLB@rb2.swrcb.ca.gov)

Whatever the issue, the League believes that government policy, programs and performance must meet these criteria:

- competent personnel with clear responsibilities
- adequate financing
- effective enforcement
- well-defined channels for citizen input and review

## **ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT (AC TRANSIT)**

1600 Franklin St., Oakland, CA 94612

Telephone: (510) 891-4777

<http://www.actransit.org>

FAX: (510) 891-7157

**Purpose:** Public bus transit  
**Date established:** 1955  
**Enabling legislation:** Transit District Law, Public Utilities Code  
**Type:** Special District  
**Jurisdiction:** Alameda and Contra Costa Counties  
**Financed by:** Fare box revenue, property taxes, state and federal subsidies, bridge tolls, sales tax  
**2006-2007 Budget:** \$257 million  
**Governing body:** Board of Directors  
**Members:** 7, elected 4-year terms  
**Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 2p.m., District Headquarters  
**Staff**  
Number: 2,150  
General Manager: Richard C. "Rick" Fernandez (510) 891-4753  
Information: Clarence Johnson, Mgr. Media Affairs (510) 891-4745

## **BAY AREA CLEAN WATER AGENCIES (BACWA)**

C/O EBMUD, P.O. Box 24055, CA 94580

Telephone: (510) 547-1174

<http://www.bacwa.org>

FAX: (510) 658-5146

**Purpose:** To collect data on aquatic wildlife and quality of water; to coordinate the work of member agencies with other control agencies or agencies or organizations; to interpret data and to assess the effect of pollution on San Francisco Bay.  
**Date established:** 1984  
**Enabling Legislation:** Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement  
**Type:** Special District  
**Jurisdiction:** Drainage area of San Francisco Bay  
**Financed by:** Member agency assessment  
**2006-2007 Budget:** \$700,000  
**Governing body:** Executive Board 5 Principal Agencies  
**Members:** 13 Associate and 15 Affiliate members  
**Meetings:** 4th Thursday; EBMUD Treatment Plant No. 1  
**In Lieu of Staff: (Contract)**  
Executive Director: Michel Pla (510) 547-1174, FAX (510) 658-5146

## **BAY AREA WATER SUPPLY & CONSERVATION AGENCY (BAWSCA)**

155 Bovet Rd. Suite 302, San Mateo CA 94402

Telephone: (650) 349-3000

<http://www.bawsca.org>

FAX: (650) 349-8395

**Purpose:** To ensure that the cities, water districts, and private utilities (wholesale customers) that depend on the San Francisco regional water system receive a reliable water supply, with high-quality water, at a fair price

**Date established:** 2003

**Enabling Legislation:** AB 2058

**Type:** Regional Water District

**Jurisdiction:** 26 cities and water districts, and two private utilities, in Alameda, Santa Clara and San Mateo counties that purchase water on a wholesale basis from the San Francisco regional water system

**Financed by:** Members, grants

**2006-2007 Budget:** \$2,292 Million

**Governing body:** Board of Directors

**Members:** 28 members representing 26 cities and water districts, and two private utilities

**Meetings:** 3rd Thursday at 7 p.m, of odd numbered months, rotating locations

**Staff:**

Number 7

General Manager: Arthur Jensen

Information: [bawsca@bawsca.org](mailto:bawsca@bawsca.org)

## **SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT (BART)**

300 Lakeside Drive

Telephone: (510) 464-6000

P.O. Box 12688, Oakland, CA 94604-2688

<http://www.bart.gov>

E-mail: [webcustomerservices@bart.gov](mailto:webcustomerservices@bart.gov)

**Purpose:** Rail rapid transit system  
**Date established:** 1957  
**Enabling Legislation:** San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District Act, Public Utilities Code  
**Type:** Special district  
**Jurisdiction:** Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, City and County of San Francisco  
**Financed by:** Fare box revenues, advertising revenues, property taxes, Transit Development Act funds; 1/2 cent sales tax in 3 Bay Area counties and Federal grants  
**2006-7 Budget:** \$511.4 Million (operating budget)  
**Governing body:** Board of Directors  
**Members:** 9, elected by district voters for 4-year terms  
**Compensation:** \$100/attended meeting, to maximum \$1000 a month if all meetings attended.  
**Meetings:** 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 9 a.m., BART Board Room  
**Staff**  
Number: 3,488  
General Manager: Thomas E. Margro (510) 464-6060  
Information: Linton Johnson, Dept. Mgr., Media & Public Affairs (510) 464-7139

## **DUBLIN SAN RAMON SERVICES DISTRICT (DSRSD)**

7051 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin, CA 94568

Telephone: (925) 828-0515

<http://www.dsrsd.com>

FAX: (925) 829-1180

**Purpose:** Sewage collection, treatment and disposal; domestic water service  
**Date established:** 1953, activated 1960  
**Enabling legislation:** Section 61000 California Government Code  
**Type:** Community Services Special district  
**Jurisdiction:** Approximately 26.2 square miles in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties  
**Financed by:** Water and sewer fees  
**2007 Operation Budget:** \$43.6 million  
**Governing body:** Board of Directors  
**Members:** 5, elected at-large for 4-year terms  
**Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m., District Board Room  
**Staff**  
Number: 116  
General Manager: Bert Michalczyk (925) 875-2200  
Information: Sue Stephenson (925) 875-2295

## **EAST BAY DISCHARGERS AUTHORITY (EBDA)**

2651 Grant Avenue, San Lorenzo, CA 94580

Telephone: (510) 278-5910

<http://www.ebda.org>

FAX: (510) 278-6547

**Purpose:** Wastewater disposal  
**Date established:** 1974  
**Enabling legislation:** Joint exercise of power agreement  
**Type:** Joint Powers Authority  
**Jurisdiction:** San Leandro, Hayward; Union Sanitary District; Oro Loma and Castro Valley Sanitary Districts  
**Financed by:** Member agency contributions  
**2006-2007 Budget:** \$4,100,000  
**Governing body:** Commission  
**Members:** 5, appointed from board of member agency, no term limit  
**Meetings:** 3rd Thursday, 9:30 a.m., Oro Loma Sanitary District Board Room  
**Staff**  
**Number:** 3  
**Information:** Charles Weir, General Manager

## **EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT (EBMUD)**

375 11th Street, Oakland, CA 94607

Telephone: (866) 403-2683

P.O. Box 24055, Oakland, CA 94623-1065

FAX: (510) 287-0555

<http://www.ebmud.com>

**Purpose:** Water supply, wastewater treatment, management of public use lands  
**Date established:** May 1923  
**Enabling legislation:** Municipal Utility District Act  
**Type:** Special district  
**Jurisdiction:** 20 cities and 15 unincorporated communities (325 square miles), portions of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties; approximately 1.3 million served.  
**Financed by:** Revenue from sale of water, wastewater treatment and hydroelectric power; property taxes  
**2006-2007 Budget:** \$296,908,000 water system; \$71,514,000 wastewater system  
**Governing body:** Board of Directors  
**Members:** 7, elected by ward for 4-year terms  
**Meetings:** 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 1:15 p.m. in Board Room  
**Staff**  
**Number:** 2,087  
**General Manager:** Dennis M. Diemer  
**Information:** Lynelle M. Lewis, Secretary of the District (510) 287-0440

## **EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT (EBRPD)**

2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA 94605

Telephone: (510) 635-0135

P.O. Box 5381, Oakland, CA 94605-0381

FAX: (510) 569-4319

<http://www.ebparks.org>

**Purpose:** To provide open space, regional parks, trails, recreational opportunities and environmental education for the public

**Date established:** 1934

**Enabling legislation:** State Public Resources Code

**Type:** Special district

**Jurisdiction:** Alameda and Contra Costa Counties

**Financed by:** Property tax; fees and charges; federal, state and local grants (public and private); bonds

**2006 Budget:** \$139.6 million total: \$98 million general and special revenue expenditures; \$26.3 million capital; \$15.3 million debt service

**Governing body:** Board of Directors

**Members:** 7, elected by ward for 4-year terms

**Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 2:00 p.m., Board Room

**Staff**

Number: 596 permanent, 80 seasonal

General Manager: Pat O'Brien (510) 635-0135

Public Information Officer: Shelly Lewis (510) 544-2208

# **GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT**

## **(GGBHTD)**

P.O. Box 9000, Presidio Station

Telephone:(415) 921-5858

San Francisco, CA 94129-0601

FAX: (415) 923-2013

<http://www.goldengatebridge.org>

**Purpose:** To operate and maintain Golden Gate Bridge, Golden Gate Bus and Ferry Transit.  
**Date established:** 1928  
**Enabling legislation:** Bridge and Highway District Act; modified in 1969, when authorized to operate public transit systems.  
**Type:** Special district of the State of California  
**Jurisdiction:** Counties of Marin, Sonoma, San Francisco, Del Norte; parts of Mendocino and Napa Counties  
**Financed by:** Bridge tolls (50%), transit fares (33%), state and federal subventions (17%)  
**2006-2007 Budget:** \$147.6 million (Operating Budget), \$47 million (Capital Expenses)  
**Governing body:** Board of Directors  
**Members:** 19; appointed by Boards of Supervisors (18) and Mayor of San Francisco (1); serve at the pleasure of appointing authority with review every two years  
**Meetings:** 2nd and 4th Fridays, 10:00 a.m., at Administration Building, Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza, San Francisco

### **Staff**

Number:	822	
General Manager/CEO:	Celia Kupersmith	(415) 921-5858
Information:	Janet Tarantino, Board Secretary	(415) 981-5858
	Mary Currie, Public Affairs Director	(415) 821-5858



## LIVERMORE-AMADOR VALLEY WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

P. O. Box 2945, Dublin, CA 94568

Telephone: (925) 875-2202

<http://www.lavwma.com>

FAX: (925) 828-4907

**Purpose:** To provide for disposal of treated wastewater effluent  
**Date established:** 1974  
**Type:** Joint powers agency  
**Jurisdiction:** Dublin San Ramon Service District, cities of Livermore and Pleasanton  
**Financed by:** Revenue bond, rates and fees  
**2003-2004 Budget:** \$3.3 million  
**Governing body:** Board of Directors  
**Members:** 6 members, 2 appointed from each member district  
**Meetings:** 3rd Wednesday, 6:00 p.m., 7051 Dublin Blvd., Dublin  
**Staff:**  
Senior Project Mgr: Vivian W. Housen (925) 551-4841 [vhousen@RMCwater.com](mailto:vhousen@RMCwater.com)  
Treasurer: Craig R. Lawson (925) 672-2690 [crlawson@pacbell.net](mailto:crlawson@pacbell.net)  
Information: Alice E. Lutz, Adm. Asst. (925) 875-2202 [lutz@dsrsd.com](mailto:lutz@dsrsd.com)

## MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT (MROSD)

330 Distel Circle, Los Altos, CA 94022-1404

Telephone: (650) 691-1200

<http://www.openspace.org>

FAX: (650) 691-0485

E-mail: [info@openspace.org](mailto:info@openspace.org)

**Purpose:** Acquisition and preservation of a regional greenbelt of open space lands for low-intensity public recreational use.  
**Date established:** 1972  
**Enabling legislation:** Public Resources Code, section 5500 et seq.  
**Type:** Independent Special District  
**Jurisdiction:** Northwestern Santa Clara and southern San Mateo Counties and extends to the Pacific Ocean from south of Pacifica to the Santa Cruz County line.  
**Financed by:** Property tax within District; grants, interest and rental income  
**2006-2007 Budget:** \$51.3 million total, \$31.6 million land acquisition; \$11.1million operations; \$1.4 million capital improvement; \$7.2 million debt service  
**Governing body:** Board of Directors  
**Number:** 7, elected by ward for 4-year terms  
**Meetings:** 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., District Administrative Office  
**Staff**  
Number: 75  
General Manager: L. Craig Britton (650) 691-1200  
Public Affairs Specialist: Kristi Britt (650) 691-1200

## **PENINSULA CORRIDOR JOINT POWERS BOARD (CALTRAIN)**

1250 San Carlos Ave, San Carlos, CA 94070-1306

Telephone: (650) 508-6200

<http://www.caltrain.com>

FAX: (650) 508-6281

E-mail: [webcter@samtrans.com](mailto:webcter@samtrans.com)

**Purpose:** Own and operate commuter rail service (Caltrain) from San Francisco to Gilroy  
**Date established:** 1987  
**Enabling legislation:** AB958 Chapter 1328; SB2628 Chapter 1434 (1988); SB928 Chapter 1283 (1989)  
**Type:** Joint Powers Authority  
**Jurisdiction:** Counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara  
**Financed by:** Local (county transit subsidies), federal, and state  
**2006-2007 Budget:** \$83.5 million  
**Governing body:** Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board  
**Members:** 9, representing City and County of SF (3), SamTrans (3), and Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (3), who serve at the pleasure of appointing body  
**Meetings:** 1st Thursday, 10 a.m., 1250 San Carlos Ave, San Carlos

### **Staff**

Executive Director: Michael J. Scanlon (650) 508-6200  
Chief Communications Officer: Rita P. Haskin (650) 508-6248  
Chief Operating Officer: Chuck Harvey (650) 508-6218

## **SONOMA MARIN AREA RAIL TRANSIT (SMART)**

4040 Civic Center Drive, Suite 200

Telephone: (415) 492-2857

San Rafael, CA 94903

E-mail: [info@sonomamarintrain.org](mailto:info@sonomamarintrain.org)

[www.sonomamarintrain.org](http://www.sonomamarintrain.org)

**Purpose:** A regional transportation district established to oversee the development and implementation of passenger rail service in Sonoma and Marin counties.  
**Date established:** January, 2003  
**Enabling legislation:** State Assembly bill 2224 (Nation, District 6)  
**Type:** Special District  
**Jurisdiction:** Marin and Sonoma Counties  
**Financed by:** State and Federal funds  
**Governing body:** Board of Directors  
**Members:** 12, five each appointed by Marin and Sonoma counties, and two members by the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District.  
**Meetings:** Third Wednesday of the month, time and place rotate  
**Staff:**  
Project Manager: Lillian Hames (415) 492-2855 E-mail: [LHames@sonomamarintrain.org](mailto:LHames@sonomamarintrain.org)  
Information: Marin County (415) 419-3510, Sonoma County (707) 583-2323

## **TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY (TJPA)**

201 Mission St. #1960, San Francisco, 94105 Telephone: (415) 597-4620

[www.transbaycenter.org](http://www.transbaycenter.org)

FAX: (415) 597-4615

**Purpose:** Design, build and operate the New Transbay Transit Center (regional transit hub including the downtown extension of Caltrain)

**Date Established:** April 4, 2001

**Enabling Legislation:** State Government code 6500, San Francisco Resolution 104-01

**Type:** Joint Powers Authority

**Jurisdiction:** San Francisco Transbay Terminal and adjacent property.

**Financed by:** Various state funds, federal funds, tax increment, operating revenues.

**2006-2007 Budget:** \$92,327,000

**Board Members:** 5 members who serve at the pleasure of their appointing body: San Francisco has 3 appointments: one is appointed by the Mayor, 1 by the Board of Supervisors and 1 by MTA Board of Directors and confirmed by the SF Board of Supervisors. AC Transit and the Joint Powers Board have one appointment each.

**Meetings:** 3rd Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m., , City Hall, Room 400, San Francisco

**Staff**

Number: 5

Executive Director: Maria Ayerdi

Public Information Officer: Heather Barber

## COUNTIES

### ALAMEDA COUNTY Board of Supervisors

1221 Oak Street, Suite 536

Telephone: (510) 272-6984

Oakland, CA 94612

FAX: (510) 272-3784

<http://www.acgov.org>

**Board Members:**

5, elected by district for 4-year terms

**Meetings:**

Tuesdays at 9:30 am, Room 512 and 1st Thursday at 9:00 am, Room 512

**Cities:**

Alameda

Albany

Berkeley

Dublin

Emeryville

Fremont

Hayward

Livermore

Newark

Oakland

Piedmont

Pleasanton

San Leandro

Union City

LAFCO

(510) 271-5142

Congestion Mgmt. Agency:

(510) 836-2560

### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Board of Supervisors

651 Pine Street, Room 106

Telephone: (925) 335-1086

Martinez, CA 94553

FAX: (925) 335-1098

<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us>

**Board Members:**

5, elected by district for 4-year terms

**Meetings:**

Tuesdays; 9:00 a.m., Martinez

**Cities:**

Antioch

Brentwood

Clayton

Concord

Danville

El Cerrito

Hercules

Lafayette

Martinez

Moraga

Oakley

Orinda

Pinole

Pittsburg

Pleasant Hill

Richmond

San Pablo

San Ramon

Walnut Creek

LAFCO

(925) 335-1094

Congestion Transportation Authority

(925) 407-0121

## **MARIN COUNTY Board of Supervisors**

3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 325

Telephone: (415) 499-6358

San Rafael, CA 94903

FAX: (415) 499-3645

<http://www.co.marin.ca.us/>

**Board Members:** 5, elected for 4-year terms

**Meetings:** Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m., Supervisor's Chambers, Room 330

**Cities:**

Belvedere

Corte Madera

Fairfax

Larkspur

Mill Valley

Novato

Ross

San Anselmo

San Rafael

Sausalito

Tiburon

LAFCO (415) 446-4409

Congestion Mgmt. Agency: (415) 499-6570

## **NAPA COUNTY Board of Supervisors**

1195 Third Street, Suite 310

Telephone: (707) 253-4580

Napa, CA 94559

FAX: (707) 253-4176

<http://www.co.napa.ca.us>

**Board Members:** 5, elected for 4-year terms

**Meetings:** Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m., Room 305

**Cities:**

American Canyon

Calistoga

Napa

St. Helena

Yountville

LAFCO (707) 259-8645

<http://napa.lafco.ca.gov>

Napa Trans. & Planning Agency (707) 259-8631

[www.nctpa.net](http://www.nctpa.net)

## **SAN FRANCISCO, CITY AND COUNTY Board of Supervisors**

Room 244, City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

Telephone: (415) 554-5184

San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

FAX: (415) 554-5163

<http://www.ci.sf.ca.us/>

**Board Members:** 11, elected by district for a 4-year term

**Meetings:** Tuesdays, 2:00 p.m., Board Chamber, Rm 250

LAFCO (415) 554-7703

County Transportation Authority: (415) 522-4800

<http://www.sfcta.org/>

## **SAN MATEO COUNTY Board of Supervisors**

400 County Center

Telephone: (650) 363-4000

Redwood City, CA 94063

FAX: (650) 599-1027

<http://www.co.sanmateo.ca.us>

**Board Members:** 5, elected at large for 4-year terms

**Meetings:** Set Calendar; meetings held on certain Tuesdays of the month, 9:00 a.m., Board of Supervisors Chambers

**Cities:**

Atherton	Belmont	Brisbane	Burlingame	Colma	Daly City
East Palo Alto	Foster City	Half Moon Bay	Hillsborough	Menlo Park	Millbrae
Pacifica	Portola Valley	Redwood City	San Bruno	San Carlos	San Mateo
S. San Francisco	Woodside				

LAFCO (650) 363-4224

City-County Assoc. of Govts. (CMA)

(650) 599-1406

[www.ccag.ca.gov](http://www.ccag.ca.gov)

## **SANTA CLARA COUNTY Board of Supervisors**

70 W. Hedding Street 11<sup>th</sup> Floor

Telephone: (408) 299-5105

San Jose, CA 95110

FAX: (408) 295-1613

<http://www.sccgov.org/portal/site/scc>

**Board Members:** 5, elected by district for 4-year term

**Meetings:** Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. in the Board Chambers

**Cities:**

Campbell	Cupertino	Gilroy	Los Altos	Los Altos Hills
Los Gatos	Milpitas	Monte Sereno	Morgan Hill	Mountain View
Palo Alto	San Jose	Santa Clara	Saratoga	Sunnyvale

LAFCO (408) 299-5127 [www.santaclara.lafco.ca.gov](http://www.santaclara.lafco.ca.gov)

Valley Transportation Authority (CMA) (408) 321-5725

## **SOLANO COUNTY Board of Supervisors**

675 Texas St. Suite 6500

Telephone: (707) 784-6100

Fairfield, CA 94533

FAX: (707) 784-7975

<http://www.co.solano.ca.us>

**Board members:** 5, elected for 4-year terms

**Meetings:** 1st, 2nd, and 4th Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m., Court House

**Cities:**

Benicia Dixon Fairfield Rio Vista Suisun City Vacaville Vallejo

LAFCO (707) 438-1785

Transportation Authority (CMA) (707) 424-6075

## **SONOMA COUNTY Board of Supervisors**

575 Administration Drive, # 104A

Telephone: (707) 565-2241

Santa Rosa, CA 95403

FAX: (707) 565-3778

<http://www.sonoma-county.org>

E-mail: [bos@sonoma-county.org](mailto:bos@sonoma-county.org)

**Board Members:** 5, elected for 4 year-terms

**Meetings:** Tues., 8:30 a.m., Board Chamber, Admin. Bldg.

**Cities:**

Cloverdale Cotati Healdsburg Petaluma Rohnert Park  
Santa Rosa Sebastol Sonoma Windsor

LAFCO (707) 565-2577

Transportation Authority (CMA) (707) 565-5373

## LIBRARY SYSTEMS

### BAY AREA LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SYSTEM (BALIS)

25 Tower Road, San Mateo, CA 94402-4000

Telephone: (650) 349-5538

<http://baylibraries.org/>

**Date established:** 1978  
**Enabling legislation:** California Library Services Act  
**Type:** Joint Powers Agency  
**Purpose:** Interlibrary cooperation and resource sharing  
**Jurisdiction:** 9 public libraries in Alameda, Contra Costa and San Francisco counties: Alameda County, Alameda City, Berkeley Public, Contra Costa Library, Hayward Public, Livermore Public, Oakland Public, Richmond Public, San Francisco Public  
**Financed by:** State and federal funds, membership fees  
**Governing body:** Administrative Council  
**Members:** 9 (director of each member library)  
**Meetings:** Bimonthly  
**Staff**  
**Number:** 0 (staff contracted from Peninsula Library System)  
**Information:** Linda Crowe, System Director (650) 349-5538



## **NORTH BAY COOPERATIVE LIBRARY SYSTEM (NBCLS)**

55 "E" Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95404-4728

Telephone: (707) 544-0142

<http://www.nbcls.org>

FAX: (707) 544-8411

**Mission Statement:** North Bay Cooperative Library System is a network which provides enhanced access to library services, information and resources to people in the North Bay.

**Purpose:** Resource sharing and cooperative library services

**Date established:** 1960

**Enabling legislation:** Joint Exercise of Powers; 1964, State Government Code

**Type:** Joint Powers Agency

**Jurisdiction:** Libraries in Marin, Sonoma, Solano, Napa, Lake, San Francisco, Contra Costa and Mendocino Counties: including Belvedere-Tiburon Public, Benicia Public, Lake County, Larkspur Public Library, Marin County, Mendocino County, Mill Valley City, Napa City & County, Napa Valley College Library, Pacific Union College, Petaluma High School District Libraries, Rancho Cotati High School Library, Richmond Public, St. Helena City, San Anselmo City, San Francisco Public Library, San Rafael City, Santa Rosa Jr. College, Sausalito City, Solano College, Solano County, Sonoma County, Sonoma State Univ. and Travis Air Force Base.

**Financed by:** State and federal library grants, membership fees

**Governing body:** Board of Directors

**Members:** 20

**Meetings:** Quarterly, 1st Thursday, site chosen by the board.

**Staff**

Number: 8

Information: Annette Milliron, Executive Director (707) 544-0142, ext. 101  
Joe Cochrane, Reference Coordinator (707) 544-0142, ext. 106

## **PENINSULA LIBRARY SYSTEM (PLS)**

25 Tower Road, San Mateo, CA 94402-4000

Telephone: (650) 349-5538

<http://www.plsinfo.org>

<b>Mission:</b>	The Peninsula Library System strengthens local libraries through cooperation, enabling them to provide better service to their diverse communities."
<b>Purpose:</b>	To provide and coordinate library services among member libraries
<b>Date established:</b>	1970
<b>Enabling legislation:</b>	Public Library Services Act; California Library Services Act
<b>Type:</b>	Joint Powers Agency
<b>Jurisdiction:</b>	Seven libraries and one community college in San Mateo County: Burlingame Public, Daly City Public, Menlo Park Public, Redwood City Public, San Bruno Public, San Mateo County, San Mateo Public, South San Francisco Public, San Mateo County Community College
<b>Financed by:</b>	State, federal, county, membership fees
<b>Governing body:</b>	Administrative Council
<b>Members:</b>	9 (directors representing each member library)
<b>Meetings:</b>	1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., Burlingame Public Library, 2nd floor Conference Room, every other month
<b>Staff</b>	
Number:	43
Information:	Linda D. Crowe, System Director (650) 349-5538

**FEDERAL INFORMATION CENTER, San Francisco (800) 688-9889**  
*(to obtain general information or telephone numbers for federal agencies)*

### **BAY AREA REPRESENTATIVES**

**SENATE**

<http://www.senate.gov>

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

<http://www.house.gov>