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SUBJECT: Background Information for the Briefing on the Bay Amendment to Address Bay Fill for Habitat Projects, Bay Plan Amendment No. 1-17
(For Commission consideration on November 15, 2018)

Summary

On October 6, 2016, during the fourth workshop of the Commission's series of Public Workshops on Rising Sea Level, the Commission voted to approve eight recommended adaptation actions, including consideration of whether and how to change BCDC's existing laws, policies and regulations to more fully consider the local and regional impacts of rising sea levels in permitting and decision-making processes as needed. The subsequent workshops further explored and discussed the potential actions, with a particular focus on possible Bay Plan amendments. Staff provided a briefing to the Commission with a timeline for six proposed amendments (attached), among other actions, and on July 20, 2017 the Commission voted to initiate the first two Bay Plan Amendments: Fill for Habitat and Environmental Justice. At the Commission meeting on November 15, 2018, BCDC staff will present on the progress of the Fill for Habitat Amendment.



		Year 1 (2017)	Year 2 (2018)	Year 3 (2019)	Year 4 (2020)	Year 5 (2021)	Year 6 → (2022 →)
Legislation		Include environmental justice in McAteer-Petris Act or other Commission directive legislation					Change the McAteer-Petris Act to better address RSL
							Expand 100-foot shoreline band jurisdiction inland and authority beyond maximum feasible public access
Bay Plan Amendments / Regulations Update		Social equity and environmental justice Bay Plan amendment		Mitigation Bay Plan amendment		Adaptive management (Climate Change & Habitat Projects)	
		Fill for Habitat Projects Bay Plan Amendments & Regs Update (resource policies, dredging policy 11, shoreline protection)		Beneficial reuse Bay Plan Amendment		Fill for flood protection (nature-based & human-made solutions)	
Guidance		Environmental justice and social equity staff training for current laws and policies	Environmental justice and social equity guidance and staff training for new laws and policies	Implementation guidance on new policies and equity assessment checklist for permit analysts			
			Guidance for long-term sustainability of habitat projects (adaptive management and resilience)				
		Adaptation planning guidance for local communities.		Minimum design, monitoring, informational guidance for experimental projects			
Planning			Complete or incorporate existing economic analysis of beneficial reuse compared to ocean disposal and identify "complete costs"	Guidance on beneficial reuse of sediment where natural supplies are limited			
				Update Tidal Marsh Restoration Design Guidelines(PWA 2004)			
		Collaborate with other agencies to develop a compatible approach to mitigation (RAMP, regional mitigation, etc.)					Investigate incentives for identifying and preserving transition space for habitat and communities