



## 2017 SPRING SUMMIT

### Uncharted Waters: Finding Opportunity in Uncertainty

May 11, 2017

**8:00 am**      **REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

**8:30 am**      **WELCOME**

John Coleman, *Chief Executive Officer, Bay Planning Coalition*

Richard Sinkoff, *Director of Environmental Programs and Planning, Port of Oakland and President, Bay Planning Coalition*

Event Emcee: William H. (Bill) Butler, *Vice President – Regulatory Affairs, Lind Marine, Inc. and Vice President, Bay Planning Coalition*

**8:45 am**      **ECONOMIC OUTLOOK**

Ted Egan, PhD, *Chief Economist, Controller's Office, City and County of San Francisco*

**9:00 am**      **CONVERSATION 1: *Navigating Regulatory Uncertainty***

How do we keep California and the Bay Area successful in this uncertain political climate? Panelists will discuss the status of infrastructure funding, air quality regulations, and the general political outlook at all levels of government.

Moderator: Denis Cuff, *Reporter, Bay Area News Group*

Panelists: Robert Brown, *Director of Bay Area Operations, Western States Petroleum Association*

Leslie Moulton-Post, *President and CEO, Environmental Science Associates*

Eric Sapirstein, *Founder & President, ENS Resources*

Alexis Strauss, *Acting Regional Administrator, Pacific Southwest Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency*

**10:15 am**      **BREAK**

**10:30 am**      **CONVERSATION 2: *Short & Long Term Risks to the Bay Area***

From earthquakes and sea level rise to rising business costs and workforce shortages, the Bay Area faces a number of risks to its wellbeing. Panelists will discuss the latest information about these threats and how worried we should be about them.

Moderator: Ed Baxter, *Anchor, Bloomberg Global News Network as heard on AM 960*

Panelists: Brad Benson, *Director of Special Projects, Port of San Francisco*  
Scot Ferrell, *Managing Director, Marsh Risk Consulting*

Robin Grossinger, *Resilient Landscapes Program Director, San Francisco Estuary Institute*

Anne Wein, *Operations Research Analyst, U.S. Geological Survey*

- 12:00 pm**      **BUFFET LUNCH & NETWORKING**  
 We hope attendees and speakers will use this time to move freely about the room in order to make new contacts and strike up interesting conversations.
- 12:45 pm**      **PRESENTATION OF THE FRANK BOERGER AWARD**  
 Richard Sinkoff, *Director of Environmental Programs and Planning, Port of Oakland and President, Bay Planning Coalition*
- 1:00 pm**      **KEYNOTE CONVERSATION**  
 Hon. John M. Gioia  
*Contra Costa County Supervisor, District 1*  
*BAAQMD Board Member*  
*BCDC Commissioner*  
*California Air Resources Board Member*  
*Vice Chair, San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority*
- Moderator:      John Diaz, *Editorial Page Editor, San Francisco Chronicle*
- 1:30 pm**      **CONVERSATION 3: *Debating the Risks – Where to Begin?***  
 Considering the risks our region faces, where should we begin with addressing them? How should we prioritize our resources and energy, and what roles should regulation and legislation play in our efforts? Panelists will discuss these questions and offer real world examples of efforts to “regulate for risk” and the pros and cons of them.
- Moderator:      Phil Matier, *San Francisco Chronicle Columnist and KCBS/KPIX Reporter*  
 Panelists:      Louise Bedsworth, PhD, *Deputy Director, Governor’s Office of Planning and Research*  
                          Matthew Davis, *Director of Governmental Affairs, Port of Oakland*  
                          Jaclyn Gnusti, *Managing Engineer, Anchor QEA*  
                          Larry Goldzband, *Executive Director, San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission*
- 2:45 pm**      **RISING REALITY**  
 John King, *Urban Design Critic, San Francisco Chronicle*
- 3:15 pm**      **CLOSING REMARKS**
- 3:30 pm**      **ADJOURN**