



November Newsletter

November Coalition Activities

BPC Annual CEQA & Environmental Regulatory Update



CEQA & Environmental Regulations Update

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Monday, November 7th, 2022 | 8:30 am - 11:45 am

BPC held our 10th annual CEQA Environmental & Regulatory Update this month to bring together some of the Bay Area's leading legal experts on land use and development law to provide an in-depth look at CEQA-related developments in litigation and legislation since last-year's briefing. Additionally, we reviewed environmental considerations for disadvantaged communities and changes to state and federal water regulations.

The Bay Planning Coalition would like to thank our speakers, participants, attendees, and sponsors for supporting our Coalition's continued advocacy and facilitation efforts. This event would not have been possible without the support of our planning committee, all of whom also participated as speakers/moderators – David Ivester, Briscoe, Ivester & Bazel LLP; Arielle Harris, Miller Starr Regalia; Christian Marsh, Downey Brand LLP; Amara Morrison, Fennemore Wendel; Clark Morrison, Cox, Castle, & Nicholson LLP; Todd Williams, Fennemore Wendel.

We also would like to give a special thank you to our additional speakers, several of whom joined us last minute due to illness – Divya Agarwal, Trinity Consultants; Phoenix Armenta, BCDC; Tony Francois, Briscoe, Ivester & Bazel LLP; Tom Mumley, SFRWQCB; Kathryn Oehlschlager, Downey Brand LLP.

Finally, a special thank you to our sponsors, who made this hybrid event happen - Miller Starr Regalia & Architectural Dimensions.

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BPC Board of Directors Strategic Retreat

This month, Bay Planning Coalition held its biennial Board of Directors Strategic Planning Retreat to set policy goals and ensure our Coalition's efficacy in the region. With over 30 Board Members in attendance, our strategic goals for the next two years were established and will frame our 2023-24 Work Plan, which will be available in January 2023.



Additionally, BPC hosted leadership from regulatory agencies, including the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, the SF Regional Water Board, and the Coastal Conservancy, for their perspectives on our organization's engagement in the region.

We would like to thank our "external" agency panelists for their participation and appreciate their perspectives as BPC develops a revised work plan. Moreover, we thank our Board of Directors for their continued engagement and support of the organization's mission as we work towards our 2030 Vision.

Our Strategic Goals:

- Proactively influence and shape regional plans, policies, and legislation
- Maximize the allocation of federal and state funding for climate change adaptation and infrastructure in the Bay Area.
- Advocate and facilitate an efficient, coordinated, and timely regulatory development and permitting process.

BPC 2022 & 2023 Legislative Discussion

Our Government Affairs Committee held a Legislative Discussion yesterday to discuss state and federal developments from 2022, expectations for 2023, and their effects on BPC and our members. We were joined by Gary Lucks (Bay Law Group LLP) who led the state discussion which largely focused on California's energy policy and Eric Sapirstein (ENS Resources) who walked us through the midterm elections and key legislative initiatives at the federal level to expect in 2023. Tim McRae (Silicon Valley Leadership Group) joined us to expertly moderate the Q+A at the end of the event.

We would like to thank our Government Affairs Committee Chairs for all their help with putting together the program, organizing materials, and supporting BPC staff with this event – Christian Marsh, Downey Brand LLP; Amara Morrison, Fennemore Wendel.

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Organizational Updates

2023 Update: Upcoming Coalition Activities

With this year coming to a close, BPC would like to take a moment to thank our members, regional stakeholders, and colleagues for yet another successful year of collaboration and education.

As we look towards 2023 and seek to increase our Coalition's visibility in the region and advance the interests of our members, BPC will host quarterly social receptions for industry professionals, regulators, and regional stakeholders to interact in a more conversational setting. Additionally, our staff has developed next year's calendar of events and committee meetings.

Click below to view our scheduled committee meetings and events.

BPC 2023 Meetings & Events

Interested in sponsoring an upcoming events? View a complete list of annual and individual event sponsorships below.

2023 Sponsorship Options

Time for Action: Identifying Transportation Resilience Priorities in the Bay Area

The Resilient Transportation Committee met this month to continue their work on a whitepaper. They developed an outline for the paper, as well as identified the key resiliency projects to spotlight for increased funding and accelerated timelines. If you are interested in joining this effort, please email [Sophie](#).

BPC Featured in RMP's The Pulse of The Bay

BPC and colleagues provided a dredging perspective in the RMP's *The Pulse of the Bay: 50 Years After the Clean Water Act*.



View the BPC Dredgers Perspective

New BPC Members

The San Mateo County Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency District, also known as OneShoreline, is an independent government agency that works across jurisdictional boundaries to secure and leverage public and private resources for the long-term resilience of our region. OneShoreline plans and builds solutions to the climate change impacts of sea level rise, flooding, and coastal erosion, and enhance the environment, recreational opportunities, and quality of life within communities throughout the county.

General Information

Our Committees

If your organization is a member, we welcome you to participate in our committees, which offer valuable information and networking potential. Click the button below to sign up for email notifications for committees based on your interests. **If you are not a paid member and are interested in joining a committee, please fill out the New Member Interest Form below.**

Committee Sign-
Up

Membership

If your organization is not a Coalition member, we encourage you to connect with BPC staff to learn more about our work and benefits of membership. With a driven team and commitment to the economic viability and sustainability of the region, Bay Planning Coalition's advocacy efforts, committees, and events are developed to promote regional industries.

New Member Interest

If you are already a member and would like to meet with BPC Staff, please fill out the form below.

Meeting Request

Upcoming Meetings

**Sustainable Waterfronts Committee Meeting
(Members Only)**

Monday, December 5th at 2:00 p.m.
Zoom

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