

May Newsletter



Events & Meetings

2024 Spring Summit



On May 14th, BPC welcomed industry experts, regional leaders, and key stakeholders at our annual Spring Summit to discuss pivotal developments in the San Francisco Bay Area. This year's theme, "Building Resilience: Financial Strategies for a Changing Bay Area," set the stage for a day of insightful discussions on regional collaboration to advance adaptation efforts.

This year's event kicked off with a compelling keynote address from Libby Schaaf, California State Treasurer candidate and former Mayor of Oakland. Schaaf emphasized the need to continue advocating for climate resilience and supporting Bay Area leaders who act regionally.

The program was structured into three engaging segments:

- 1. Navigating the Current Funding Landscape: The first segment provided an overview of existing funding resources and strategies for securing funds in a highly competitive environment. Industry experts shared their knowledge on the complexities of grant funding, offering actionable advice and insider perspectives to enhance project success.
- 2. Showcasing Regional Projects: In the second segment, Port of San Francisco and OneShoreline panelists highlighted various adaptation approaches and funding mechanisms. Their presentations shed light on the region's resilience goals and the collaborative efforts necessary to achieve them.
- 3. Advancing Adaptation Regional Finance and Coordination Strategies: The final segment brought together leaders from agencies, government, insurance, and NGOs to discuss the substantial financial requirements for preventing major flooding

in the Bay Area by 2050. The estimated need is \$110 billion, and the discussion focused on the challenges and strategies for raising these funds and ensuring equitable resilience across all nine Bay Area counties.

To close out the event, Zach Wasserman, Chair of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, concluded the event with a thoughtful summary of key takeaways and actionable items, encapsulating the day's discussions and forward-looking strategies.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all participants for their valuable contributions, as well as to our attendees and sponsors for their ongoing support and engagement.

For a detailed event agenda and speaker biographies, please refer to the event program linked below. Thank you for being part of this pivotal conversation as we work together to build a more resilient Bay Area.

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Upcoming Engagements

Dredging and Beneficial Reuse Committee Meeting *Thurs., July 11th* | Virtual

The committee will discuss developments since our last meeting and planning efforts for our annual workshop scheduled for October 10th. In addition to quarterly development updates, the Committee will welcome Maya McInerney to provide an update on the roadmap for the Sediment for Wetland Adaptation Projects (SWAP).

Register Here

Energy & Water Committee Meeting

Weds., July 17th | Virtual

Join BPC's Energy & Water Committee Meeting to receive a legislative update on Energy & Water legislation that BPC is tracking, an overview of 2024 engagements, and an overview of Direct Potable Reuse. We will receive a presentation on AMR testing in wastewater from Leila Khatib PHD from San Jose State University. This

research would be very important in reducing the analytical testing parameters for cost-effective Direct Potable Reuse. We will also welcome Val Frenkel Vice President of Greeley and Hansen Water Solutions to speak about implementing the recent SWRCB's DPR regulations.

Register Here

Organizational Update

CEO Recruitment

Dear BPC Members and Colleagues,

The Bay Planning Coalition is excited to announce the opening of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) position at our organization. This is an exceptional opportunity for a dedicated and qualified individual to lead our efforts in supporting the economic and environmental sustainability of the Greater San Francisco Bay Area.

The application period is now open and will close on July 19th, 2024. We invite all qualified candidates to apply. For more information and to submit your application, please email a cover letter and your resume to Ane Deister, President of the Board at: ane.deister@yahoo.com.

View BPC's CEO Recruitment Announcement Here: https://bayplanningcoalition.org/CEO Recruitment

Thank you for your continued support and engagement.

Sincerely,

Ane Deister

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Coalition Engagements

Recent Advocacy Efforts

This month, BPC signed several letters of support that align with our mission to

promote sustainability and commerce in the region.

BPC provided letters of support to chairs and ranking members who sit on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee. These letters urged the Committees to implement language to include a comprehensive SF Bay sea level rise study in WRDA 2024.



BPC signed a letter to support the Port of San Francisco and the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority's (WETA) joint application requesting \$55 million from the Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Ports Grant program for the San Francisco Zero Emission Ferry Project: Investing in Equitable, Healthy, and Connected Bay Area Communities.



BPC signed a letter supporting Senator Alex Padilla's bill to improve the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Civil Works environmental mitigation for USACE infrastructure projects.

Through this legislation, USACE will be able to timely and responsibly address ecological restoration efforts caused by necessary Civil Works projects.



Read the Press Release Here

All Upcoming Meetings & Events

July

Dredging & Beneficial Reuse Committee

Thurs., July 11th | Virtual

Energy & Water Committee

Weds., July 17th | Virtual

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September

Annual Energy & Water Nexus Event

Fri., September 13th | Hybrid

More Information to Come

Annual Dredging & Beneficial Reuse Workshop

Thurs., October 10th | In Person

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NOTE: Additional BPC engagements (committee meetings, workshops, networking events) will be announced once confirmed.

To ensure you receive our announcements, please complete the sign-up form or bookmark BPC's events calendar. Both resources are linked below.

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General Information

New Mailing Address

As BPC continues to operate remotely, we have closed our office space in Downtown Oakland. To ensure your mailings are received, please take note of our new mailing address: 3527 MT. DIABLO BLVD., BOX #273, LAFAYETTE, CA 94549-3815.

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 <u>not</u> a paid member and are interested in joining a committee, please fill out the New Member Interest Form below

Committee Sign Up Form

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.

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