Staff Report and Recommendation on a Contract with Resources Legacy Fund for Environmental Justice Advisors

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#### **Staff Recommendation**

The staff recommends that the Commission authorize its Executive Director to enter into a contract of up to \$180,000 with the **Resources Legacy Fund to administer** stipends to BCDC's EJ Advisors, pending approval from the Department of General Services.

#### Background

#### **EJ Advisors**

- In 2021 BCDC launched an Environmental Justice (EJ) Advisors program to help the agency implement its Environmental Justice and Social Equity policies.
- 6 individuals from frontline communities around the Bay were selected to serve as advisors.

#### **Resource Legacy Fund**

- RLF is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization that partners with leaders in philanthropy, communities, government, science, and business to promote smart policies and secure equitable public funding for the environment, climate change resilience, and healthy communities.
- RLF has supported the EJ Advisors by funding \$6,000 annual stipends for 6 EJ advisor in 2021 and 5 in 2022. They will fund 3 annual stipends in 2023.

## **EJ Advisors**

#### **Contract Details**

# BCDC Contribution: Up to \$180,000 RLF Contribution: \$33,000

EJ Advisors Baseline Pay: \$10,000/year Bay Adapt Implementation Committee RSAP Advisory Group Local Community Events

### Policy Alignment

# Executive Order N-16-22 Embedding Equity Action Plan BCDC's Strategic Plan Racial Equity Action Plan

# Thank You

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