

# **BAY ADAPT**

REGIONAL STRATEGY FOR A RISING BAY

Leadership Advisory Group Meeting  
June 24, 2021

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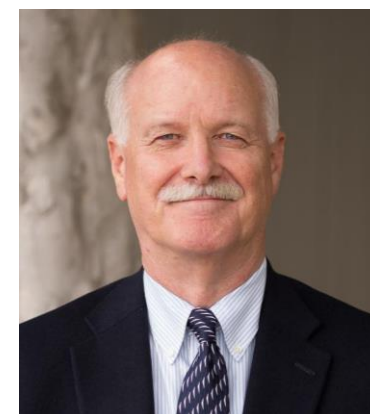
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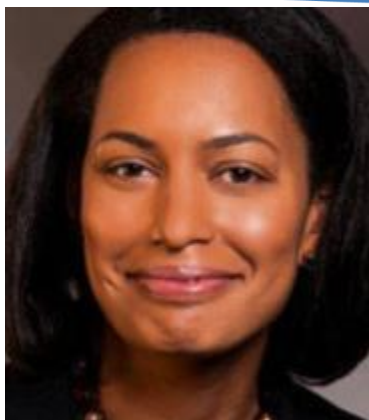


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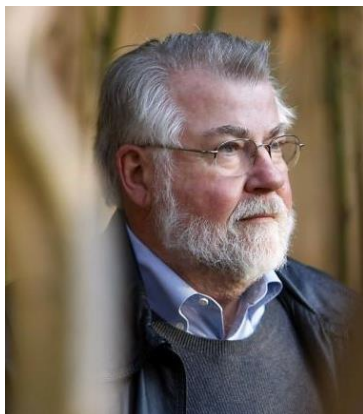
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# Tech + Working Agreements



“Raise Zoom Hand” to  
Contribute (Phone - \*9)



LAG-Mute if background  
noise

Friends - Please MUTE  
always (Phone - \*6)



Please remind us who you  
are before you speak



Chat Box for tech questions,  
links; friends to share ideas

## **Tech Support**

Rachel Cohen or Gina Bartlett  
(text 415-271-0049)



All ideas and points of view have  
value



Dialogue over debate through  
mindful listening



Take space, make space



Assume positive intent



Acknowledge difference between  
intent and impact

# Agenda

## Meeting Focus

- Receive **briefing** on legislation and state budget
- Explore **path forward on implementation**
- Confer on next stage of **public and leadership engagement**

Time	Item	
9:00	Welcome	BCDC Chair Zack Wasserman
9:05	Review Agenda Working Agreements	Facilitator Gina Bartlett, CBI
9:10	Brief Update on Relevant Legislation and State Budget	Bruce Riordan, BayCAN
9:20	Implementing the Joint Platform Actions	
9:45	The “Bigger” Picture Implementation	Gina Bartlett
10:30	Plans for Public and Leadership Outreach and Engagement	
10:50	Next Steps and Wrap Up	

# Implementing Joint Platform **ACTIONS**

# Preliminary Implementation Chart

	Possible Lead(s)	Possible Support	Possible Working Group	
People	Action 1: Collaborate on a One Bay vision for adapting to rising sea levels.			
	Task 1.1: Create a long-term regional vision rooted in communities.	BCDC, Local Jurisdictions, CBOs	RWQCB, MTC/ABAG, SFEP, SCC, BARC, BayCAN, SFEI, CHARG, Enviro Orgs	Community, Equity and Planning Working Group
	Task 1.2: Lay the foundation for a proactive regional legislative agenda.	BARC	BCDC, MTC/ABAG, SFEP, BayCAN, SFEI, CHARG, Advocates	Climate Adaptation Legislation Working Group
	Action 2: Elevate communities to lead.			
	Task 2.1: Improve how communities and public agencies learn from each other and work together.	BayCAN, WOEIP	BCDC, MTC/ABAG, SFEP, BARC, NOAA, CBOs, Local Jurisdictions	Community, Equity and Planning Working Group
Information	Task 2.2: Fund the participation and leadership of CBOs and frontline communities in adaptation planning	BARC, WOEIP	MTC/ABAG, SFEP, SCC, BayCAN, Private Philanthropy	Community, Equity and Planning Working Group
	Action 3: Broaden public understanding of climate change science and impacts.			
	Task 3.1: Tell local and regional stories about people and places adapting to climate change.	NorCal Resilience Network	BCDC, MTC/ABAG, SFEP, SCC, BARC, BayCAN, CBOs, Media	Science, Environment & Education Working Group
	Task 3.2: Weave climate literacy into school programs			Science, Environment & Education Working Group
	Action 4: Base plans and projects on the best local science, data, and knowledge.			
	Task 4.1: Align research and monitoring with information gaps.	RWQCB, BayCAN, SFEP	BCDC, SFEP, SCC, CHARG, Caltrans, NOAA, CBOs	Science, Environment & Education Working Group
Task 4.2: Make scientific data, information, and guidance easier to use.	BCDC, MTC/ABAG, SFEI	RWQCB, SFEP, SCC, BARC, BayCAN, NOAA	Science, Environment & Education Working Group	
Task 4.3: Increase access to technical consultants for local adaptation partners.	MTC/ABAG, SFEP	SCC, BayCAN, SFEI	Science, Environment & Education Working Group	

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Plans	<b>Action 5: Align local and regional plans into a unified adaptation strategy.</b>		
	Task 5.2: Provide incentives for robust, coordinated adaptation plans.	MTC/ABAG BCDC, SCC, BARC, BayCAN, SFEI	Community, Equity and Planning Working Group
	Task 5.3: Align state-mandated planning processes around adaptation.	BCDC, MTC/ABAG, BayCAN	Community, Equity and Planning Working Group
	<b>Action 6: Devise a strategy to fund adaptation.</b>		
	Task 6.1: Expand understanding of the costs and revenues associated with regional adaptation.	BCDC, MTC/ABAG RWQCB, BARC	Financing the Future Working Group
	Task 6.2: Establish a framework for funding plans and projects.	MTC/ABAG BCDC, SFEP, SCC, BARC, SFEI, CHARG, USACE, CBOs, Caltrans, Advocates	Financing the Future Working Group
	Task 6.3: Help cities and counties expand sources of adaptation financing and funding.	MTC/ABAG BCDC, SFEP, SCC, BARC, BayCAN, Caltrans	Financing the Future Working Group
Projects	<b>Action 7: Refine and accelerate regulatory approvals processes.</b>		
	Task 7.1: Accelerate permitting for equitable, multi-benefit projects.	BCDC, SFEP, RWQCB SFEP, SCC, USACE, Advocates	Regulatory Working Group
	Task 7.2: Tackle environmental regulations and policies that slow down progress on projects.	BCDC, SFEP, RWQCB SFEP, SCC, USACE, Advocates	Regulatory Working Group
	<b>Action 8: Fund and facilitate faster adaptation projects.</b>		
	Task 8.1: Incentivize projects that meet regional guidelines.	MTC/ABAG BCDC, SFEP, CHARG, Advocates	Community, Equity and Planning Working Group
	Task 8.2: Encourage collaboration among people doing projects in the same places.	SFEI BCDC, MTC/ABAG, SCC, BARC, BayCAN, CHARG, CBOs, Caltrans	Community, Equity and Planning Working Group
Progress	Task 8.3: Facilitate faster construction of nature-based projects.	BCDC, RWQCB, SFEP, SCC, SFEI, Professional Orgs	Regulatory Working Group
	<b>Action 9: Track and report progress to guide future actions.</b>		
	Task 9.1: Measure regional progress using metrics and share results.	BCDC, SFEI, SFEP MTC/ABAG, SFEP, SCC, BARC	Community, Equity and Planning Working Group
	Task 9.2: Monitor and learn from pilot projects.	RWQCB BCDC, MTC/ABAG, SFEP, SFEI, NOAA, USACE	Science, Environment & Education Working Group

# Implementation Discussion Questions

- How would the LAG like to see the Joint Platform move forward?
- Where should we start? What do we do next?
- What are you working on that supports the action?

# The “Bigger” Picture Implementation

## Challenge

## Possible Solutions

Regional agencies must be accountable and coordinated on Bay Adapt implementation

- Assign **lead agencies for climate adaptation** based on expertise (i.e. BCDC for SLR/Bay Adapt, MTC/ABAG for multi-hazard, Air District on Fire/Heat, etc, BARC as convenor.)
- Sign an agreement across regional agencies to collaborate as a **multi-hazard Climate Adaptation Collaborative or Joint Powers Authority**.

Frontline communities must have leadership roles at all levels

- Fund and establish/support existing **Regional Climate Equity Consortium** comprised of frontline communities to work on range of regional climate efforts.
- Ensure diverse representation & frontline voices throughout.

Local governments need to lead, locally and regionally

- Establish or repurpose an existing group as a **Local Elected Official Climate Adaptation Committee** comprised of local elected officials representing diverse places (small & large cities, counties, geographies)

Multi-sector leadership must guide next steps

- Refine and evolve the **Bay Adapt Leadership Advisory Group (LAG 2.0)** to serve as primary guidance forum on Bay Adapt implementation. Comprised of executive leaders from diverse non-profit, private and public sector.

Advocate as a region

- Expand on pilot **Legislative Working Group** to proactively advocate for Bay Area adaptation priorities and funding.

Engage in Collaborative Problem Solving

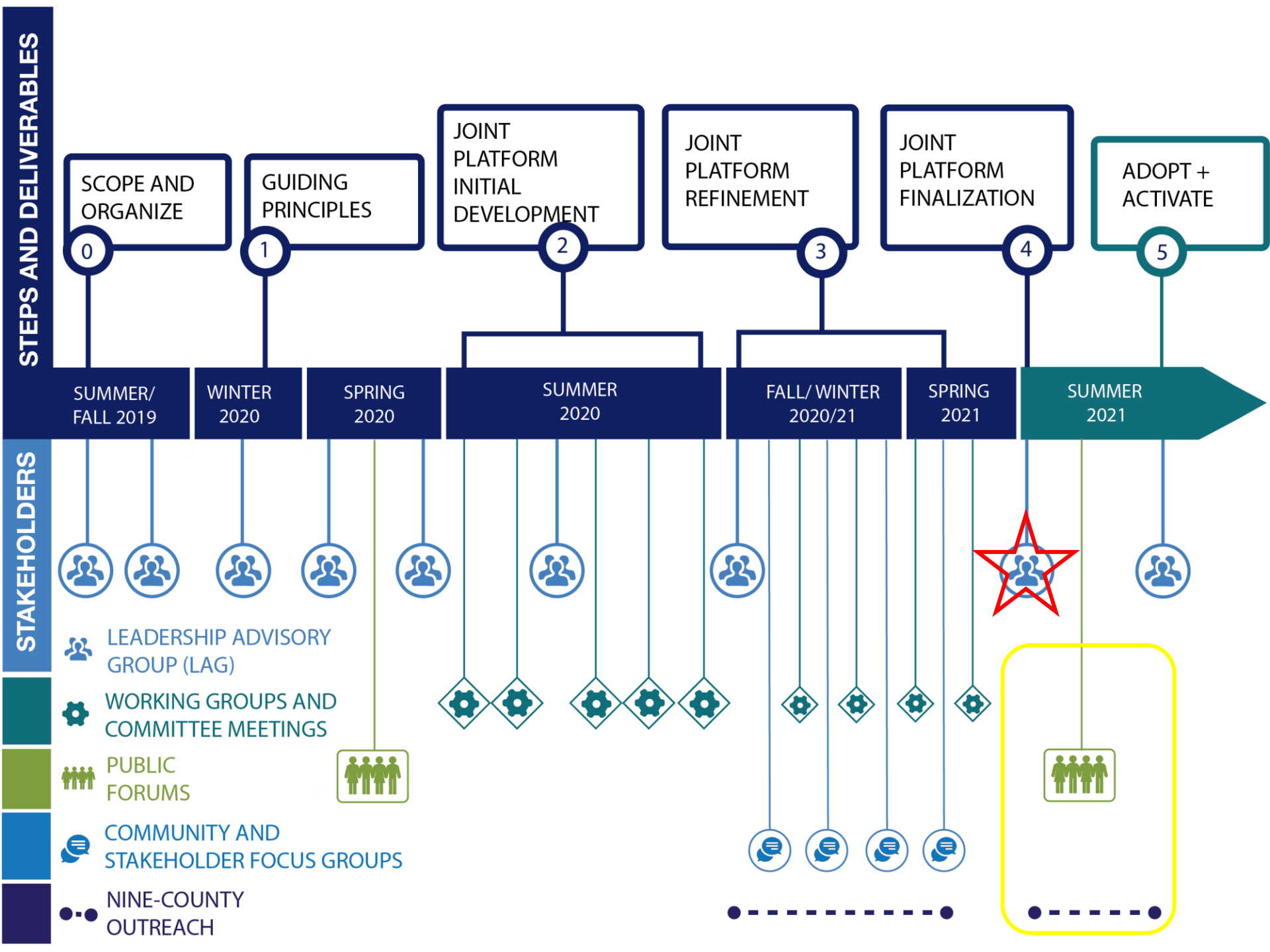
- Convene flexible **Working Groups** to shape action development. Proposed Initial Work Groups: 1) Community, Equity and Planning, 2) Science, Environment and Education, 3) Financing the Future, 4) Regulatory

# “Bigger Picture” Discussion

## PICK A QUESTION

- Did we get it right? Are the “big picture” challenges identified? Are the possible solutions pointing in the right direction?
- How do we fund and support frontline communities who are helping to lead? How might you structure a Regional Climate Equity Consortium?
- What are possible solutions might help local governments and elected leaders to lead locally and regionally?

# Outreach & Engagement



# Outreach (Summer/Fall)

**Who:** LAG members

## Goals

- 1) Regional dialogue on “Where do we go from here?”
- 2) Reconnect with stakeholders and the public
- 3) Opportunity for fine-tuning Joint Platform

## BCDC Planned Activities

- Develop Joint Platform **2-Pager**
- Host or Co-Host **Public Forum**
- Talk with Regional Agencies & select Local Elected Officials, including July BARC Gov Board
- Hold 30-day Feedback Period
- Seek BCDC Adoption

## HELP NEEDED

- Seek **funding for frontline community** involvement
- Additional outreach to **local jurisdictions and constituents**
- Additional outreach to **frontline communities**
- **Adoption** from other groups/boards
- Develop a **workplan and funding strategy**

# Discussion Questions

- What can LAG members carry forward on outreach?

# Next Steps

- Reach out to Jessica to express interest in leading or supporting on Task Implementation
- Conduct Outreach – let us know if you can help!
- LAG Meeting in Fall 2021

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**THE BAY IS RISING.**  
THE TIME TO COME  
TOGETHER TO ACT IS NOW



**What is Bay Adapt?**



**A Rising Bay**



**News & Events**