

RICHARDSON BAY REGIONAL AGENCY

RESOLUTION NUMBER 24-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RICHARDSON BAY REGIONAL AGENCY APPROVING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT (PSC) BETWEEN RBRA AND AUDUBON CA, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE PSC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$327,000

WHEREAS, On June 8, 2023, this Board was advised and approved acceptance of a grant from the US EPA's San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund (SFBWQIF) in the amount of \$2,782,586.00, for the project "Collaboratively Restoring Eelgrass in Richardson Bay to Improve Water Quality and Climate Resilience," (Project) with the goal of restoring at least 15 acres of eelgrass in Richardson Bay over four years; and

WHEREAS, the Project, designed as an innovative public-private partnership, includes funds for partners to conduct on-the-ground restoration, adaptive management, and monitoring of eelgrass habitat, as well as funds to provide training for early career conservationists from severely disadvantaged communities, develop shareable, scalable best-practices for eelgrass restoration in areas of anchor scour, and support RBRA staff time on the project; and

WHEREAS, included in the grant award to RBRA from EPA is a subaward for project partner Audubon CA, to implement specific portions of the Project's scope of work and associated deliverables; and

WHEREAS, Audubon CA will be responsible for youth and community engagement, waterbird monitoring, and annual aerial eelgrass surveys; and

WHEREAS, because Audubon CA is a not-for-profit organization, and they are named a subawardee in the EPA grant agreement and RBRA is contractually obligated to execute their subawards; and

WHEREAS, to engage Audubon CA as a subawardee, a Professional Services Contract (PSC) that includes the scope of work requires approval.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE RICHARDSON BAY REGIONAL AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS approves the Personal Services Contract between RBRA and Audubon CA and authorizes the Executive Director to execute the PSC in the amount of \$377,000.

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The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted this 14th day of March, 2024, by the following vote of the Board of Directors of Richardson Bay Regional Agency, to wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

CERTIFICATION:

James K. Lynch, Board Chair

Karen Prows, Board Clerk