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Speakers and Moderators (in order of presentation)



Henry Gardner
Association of Bay Area Governments
Executive Director

Henry Gardner is the Executive Director with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), official Council of Governments representing the Bay Area's nine counties and 101 cities. He is an award winning professional with more than 30 years of public service and private consulting experience. He began his career with the City of Oakland, rising from Assistant City Manager to City Manager, a position he held from 1981-93. Working in the private sector during the nineties, he developed major and successful strategies for public financing, capital projects and new business development. He also provided extensive municipal management consulting services to states, cities, counties, schools, and special districts. Gardner has been the recipient of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators' Mark of Excellence Award, and was the 1992 Selected Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Institute for Local Government, the California State Association of Counties Finance Corporation, and is a past board member of Children's Hospital and Research Center of Oakland, the Special Olympics of Northern California, and the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley. He is the past president and founding board member of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators.



Nancy Nadel
City of Oakland
Councilmember

Nancy Nadel is an Oakland City Councilmember and a West Oakland resident for 26 years. She chairs the Public Works Committee on the City Council. She is a member of the Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Committee, Regional Planning Committee, and chairs the Earthquake Hazards Outreach Review Committee. She chairs the Re-entry Steering Committee, a project funded to help re-integrate previously incarcerated people after release from prison. She is an Executive Board member of the Oakland Community Action Agency whose charge is to help lift Oaklanders out of poverty. Nancy serves on the advisory committee for Dreamcatcher, a program to house and counsel homeless youth under 18 years of age, and is a founding member of the new ABAG regional committee on homelessness. She is a strong advocate for integrating incomes in all neighborhoods. Nancy has a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Alfred University, a Bachelor of Science in Geology from SF State University and an MS from UC Berkeley in Engineering Geoscience where she was a full fellowship student.



Panama Bartholomy
Advisor to Chair
California Energy Commission

Panama Bartholomy is a graduate of Humboldt State University (HSU) with a Bachelors of Science degree in Restorative Development and a candidate for a Masters of Science in Community Development at UC Davis. He is an advisor for Jackalyne Pfannenstiel, the Chair of the CA Energy Commission where he works on green building, climate change, land use, renewable energy, transmission and biofuels policy. He previously worked for the California Conservation Corps on vocational environmental education and the Division of the State Architect where he ran the Sustainable Schools program. He has served as a judge for the Governor's Environmental Economic Leadership Awards program for 2003-2007 and served on the Governor's California Performance Review.



Mark Green
Mayor of Union City
Vice President of ABAG

Karen Kho
Stopwaste.Org
Program Manager

Karen Kho is a green building program manager for StopWaste.Org, working in both the residential and commercial building sectors. She assists Alameda County cities in developing green building policies and programs and promotes the coordination of local green building policies throughout California. As the project lead for the agency's residential Green Building Guidelines, she works extensively with building industry professionals. She has also been instrumental in launching the GreenPoint Rated program and is collaborating with Build It Green on extending it to the remodeling and existing home sector. Prior to joining the agency, Karen had over a decade of experience in community development, environmental advocacy, and transportation policy. Karen holds a Master's degree in City Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a B.A. in Development Studies from UC Berkeley.



Brian Parker
Government Relations Manager
Build It Green

Brian brings twenty years experience as a California local government planner to the Build It Green team. Build It Green, a professional non-profit membership organization, promotes healthy, energy and resource-efficient buildings in California. As Government Relations Manager, Brian works with local government staff and elected officials to understand and promote residential green building practices, policies and programs.

Brian supports Build It Green's four Public Agency Councils, a collaborative effort with over 100 local governments across California to create consistent green building standards and to provide a forum for the sharing of information on local programs and initiatives. Brian received a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Planning and Management and a Master of Business Administration from the University of California at Davis.

Dell Tredinnick
City of Santa Rosa
Project Development Manager

Dell Tredinnick has designed and administered a range of environmentally-oriented programs many of which involved unique, grass-roots design and have focused largely on the control and management of community waste streams. He currently coordinates the Santa Rosa Build It Green Program and was recently elected to the Chairman post of the Build It Green Public Agency Council for Northern California. His current projects include adding more active solar generation to the City of Santa Rosa's renewable energy portfolio and development of a biodiesel feedstock plant using algae grown in municipal wastewater. He has a BS in Community Development.



Rich Chien
City and County of San Francisco
Residential Green Building Coordinator

Rich Chien is the Residential Green Building Coordinator with the City and County of San Francisco's Department of the Environment, where he provides outreach, technical assistance, and develops policy initiatives to green private sector buildings in San Francisco. In his previous role with the City's municipal green building program, Rich helped to implement its LEED® Silver ordinance by developing green design tools and resources, administering a training program for City design professionals, and providing project support for municipal construction projects. Rich holds degrees in architecture and city planning, is a LEED Accredited Professional, and Build it Green Certified Green Building Professional and GreenPoint Rater.

Bruce Wolfe
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board
Executive Officer

Bruce H. Wolfe was appointed Executive Officer of the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board in November 2003. He oversees the 120 staff of the Water Board in carrying out the Board's mission of protecting, enhancing, and restoring the Bay Region's waters. Prior to his appointment, he had been, since 1997, the Board's Division Chief for implementing watershed management programs, including stormwater pollution control, nonpoint source control, control of discharges of waste to land, and control and restoration of impacts to wetlands and streams. Bruce started with the Water Board in 1977, and, in addition to his watershed management oversight, has overseen the drinking water well investigation program and the Superfund and fuel leak cleanup programs, and has had direct responsibility for permitting wastewater treatment plants and landfills. Bruce is a registered professional engineer in California, and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering and a Master's Degree in Environmental Engineering from Stanford University.



Gary Klein
California Energy Commission
Energy Specialist

Gary Klein has been intimately involved in energy efficiency and renewable energy since 1973. One fourth of his career was spent in the Kingdom of Lesotho, the rest in the United States. Mr. Klein has a passion for hot water: getting into it, getting out of it and efficiently delivering it to meet customer's needs. He currently works in the Demand Analysis Office at the California Energy Commission working with the California Public Utilities Commission on the evaluation, measurement and verification of the investor-owned utilities' energy efficiency programs. Mr. Klein received a BA from Cornell University in 1975 with an Independent Major in Technology and Society with an emphasis on energy conservation and renewable energy.



Peter Schultze-Allen
City of Emeryville
Environmental Analyst

Peter Schultze-Allen has worked for the City since 2002 in the Public Works Department on various environmental issues: Stormwater, Recycling and Composting, Green Building, Solar Energy, Climate Change, Bicycle and Pedestrian facilities, Car Sharing, Street Trees, Bay Friendly Landscaping and Energy Efficiency. Previously he has been a Recycling/Composting Specialist with for-profits and non-profits. He has a bachelors degree from the University of Rochester in Cognitive Science. In his spare time he plays ultimate.



Geoffrey B. Sears
Wareham Development
Partner

Mr. Sears, a Wareham Development partner, has over 20 years experience in the real estate design, development, finance, and asset management field. Since he joined Wareham Development in 1998, he has had primary responsibility for the development, construction, leasing, and management of 950,000 square feet of Class A office, laboratory and residential properties at Wareham's EmeryStation campus, integrating four new buildings with Wareham's existing adjacent Heritage Square development. Mr. Sears recently directed the development and construction of EmeryStation East, 240,000 square feet of institutional-quality lab space completed in the summer of 2007. Mr. Sears is past President of the City of Hope's Northern California Real Estate and Construction Industries Alliance as well as working with several other charitable groups, and is a member of the Emeryville Environmental Remediation Task Force. He an architecture degree from Yale University where he graduated cum laude and with honors.