



To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority
From: Elizabeth Holden, Planner
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Re: Item #5: Bay Area UASI Website Presentation

Action or Discussion Items:

Discussion only.

Discussion/Description:

The new Bay Area UASI website (<http://www.bayareauasi.org>) officially launched on January 4, 2013 and has new features that will increase accountability, communication, and transparency of federal funds and regional resources. The interface is minimalist in design with a clean, efficient lay-out and has the structure build in for expansion should the UASI require new areas to house resources in the future.

Features:

The new website features a user-friendly display of resources and communication components highlighted by the following –

Resource Library: This is the backbone of the website and is the location where all documents, plans, reports, images, and audio files live. The filter can search according to year (2008-2013), type (audio, excel, image, pdf, etc.), program, county, and group (Approval Authority and Advisory Group). In addition, there is a search engine to help user find forms, proposal process documents, and other resources.

Click: “Resources” tab (top banner)
(sub-page: Plans and Reports and Grants Management)

Approval Authority Resources: All documents have been organized according to meeting and year, with calls to action for the agenda, audio, and minutes alongside the supporting documents; all documents for 2013 will also be linked to the corresponding calendar event for each meeting

Click: “Approval Authority” (top banner)

Plans and Reports: An extension of the Resource Library, this page features plans (such as the regional RCPGP plans) and reports (Effectiveness Report, Strategy, etc.) that can be easily viewed or downloaded on desktops and devices.

Click: Hover mouse over “Resources”, hovering tabs will appear, click “Plans and Reports”

Calendar: All upcoming meetings, workshops, and events will be featured on the Meetings and Events Calendar. Any supporting documents or multi-media will also be featured on calendar event for archiving and transparency purposes.

Click: “Events Calendar” (top banner)

Feedback: In order to ensure that the final product is satisfactory, there is a feedback comment box located on the homepage. Should you encounter any difficulty while navigating the new site, please do not hesitate to provide feedback. All responses will be sent directly to elizabeth.holden@sfgov.org.

About UASI: This section explains the UASI program through general information and continues with an explanation of the regional governance structure. It includes informative pictures and links to other sections of the website for elaboration on information. Sub-pages include member profiles for the Approval Authority, Advisory Group, and Management Team.

Click: “About UASI” (top banner)

(Sub-page include: Regional Governance Structure, Approval Authority Members, Advisory Group Members, and Management Team)

Additional components: The homepage features an interactive map (with a clickable button to learn more about each jurisdiction) to visually show users the geographical span of the Bay Area UASI. This section currently depicts relevant events and resources, but has the functionality to feature projects. This interactive component draws in the everyday user, but also provides valuable information for those knowledgeable about the Bay Area UASI.