

SAN FRANCISCO BAY PROGRAM OFFICE

Fiscal Year 2024 Draft Annual Priority List

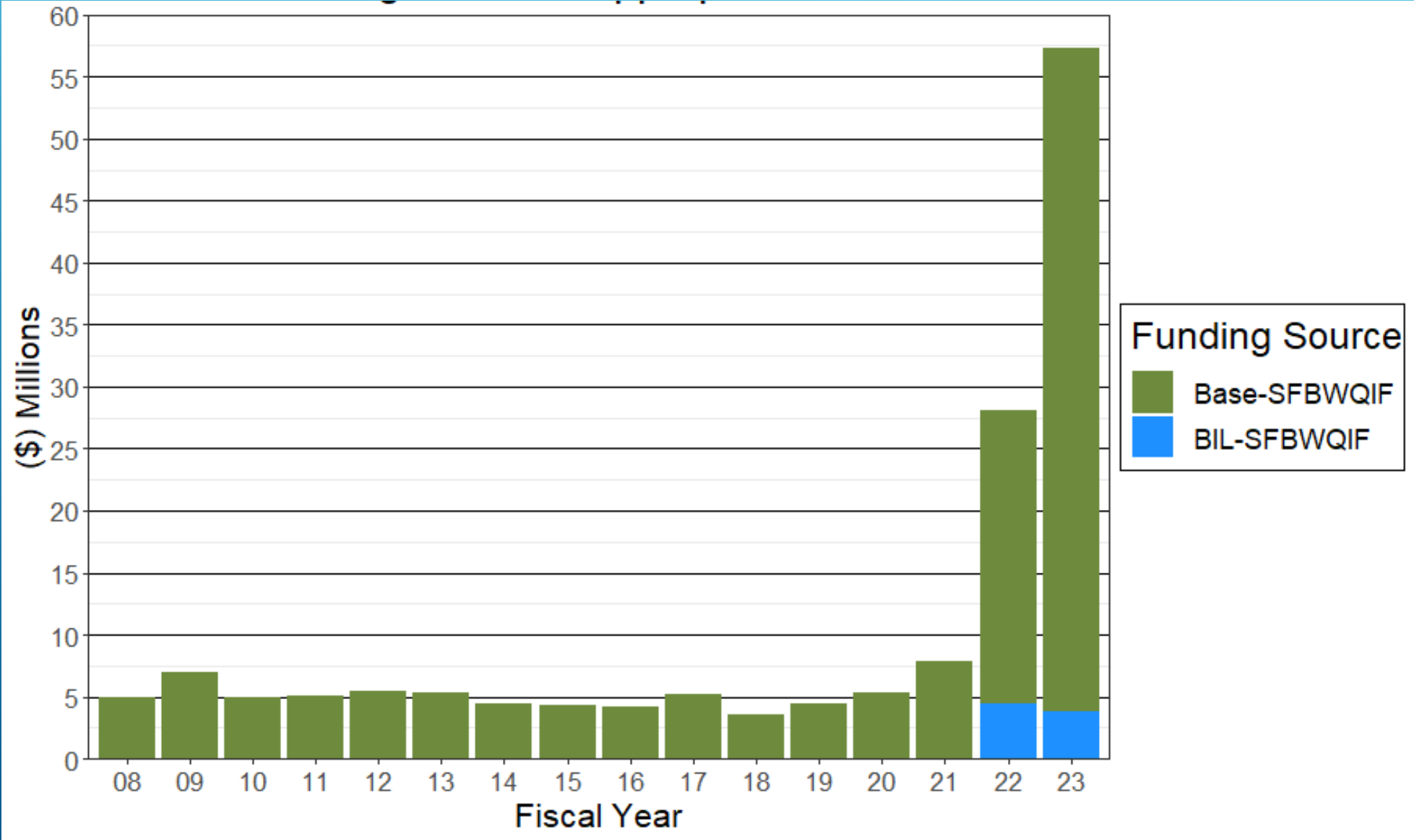
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- ▶ Implementation Committee Meeting
- ▶ November 14, 2023
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Timeline Leading to Priority List

- ▶ National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) passed Dec. 2022
- ▶ NDAA is legislation that included authorization for a new San Francisco Bay Program Office at EPA R9
 - ▶ Legislative language also included direction to EPA to create an Annual Priority List which identifies needed projects and studies
 - ▶ In creating the list, EPA should consider recommendations from:
 - ▶ SFEP, SF Water Board, SFBRA, other stakeholders

Congressional Appropriations to Date



Subtidal eelgrass and oyster reef restoration

Wetlands Regional Monitoring Program

Beneficial Reuse of Dredged Material Support

In-Bay Monitoring of Pollutants, including trash, and algal species under the Regional Monitoring Program

Large scale shoreline resilience, multi-benefit projects including horizontal levees and wastewater treatment/reuse

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Nutrient Management Strategy

Special studies/projects for addressing PFAS in SF Bay

Large scale tidal wetlands restoration

Special studies/projects for addressing PCBs under TMDL implementation plan

Large scale implementation of urban green stormwater infrastructure

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(Bay Restoration Regulatory Integration Team)**

What We are Asking of IC

- ▶ Feedback on the draft Annual Priority List
- ▶ Any suggestions for other venues/stakeholders to present list to this year or in future years
- ▶ Recommendations for regular updates on funding allocations to priorities

Next Steps

- ▶ Present at other stakeholder meetings
- ▶ Finalize list in Winter/Spring 2024
- ▶ Summer 2024 begin putting in place grants to recipients that address priorities