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GOVERNOR APPOINTS RETIRED
USCG VICE ADMIRAL JODY A. BRECKENRIDGE TO SERVE AS WETA CHAIR

San Francisco, CA (July 16, 2014)—Governor Jerry Brown appointed Vice Admiral (Ret.) Jody A. Breckenridge (USCG) Chair of the Board of the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) today. Prior to her 2010 retirement, Vice Adm. (Ret.) Breckenridge served as Commander, Coast Guard Pacific Area, a command that stretched from the Pacific Coast to Far East. She was commissioned as an Ensign in the Coast Guard in 1976 and at the time of her retirement was one of only four female Flag Officers in the USCG. She is to fill the seat left vacant by the January 2014 retirement of Charlene Haught Johnson.

“Admiral Breckenridge is a great choice to serve as our Board’s Chair,” said Nina Rannells, WETA Executive Director. “Not only does she bring a wealth of experience in maritime operations, she also has an extensive background in emergency preparedness and maritime security. Her background fits perfectly into WETA’s main responsibilities including operating the San Francisco Bay Ferry, expanding ferry service, and coordinating the water transit response to a regional emergency.”

Interim WETA Chair Anthony Intintoli, Jr. will continue to serve as a Board Member. There remains one seat vacant on the five-member board.

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About WETA

WETA is a regional public transit and emergency response agency established by the California State legislature in 2008. WETA operates the San Francisco Bay Ferry providing ferry service to the San Francisco Ferry Building and Pier 41/Fisherman’s Wharf, Harbor Bay, Oakland, Alameda Main Street, South San Francisco and Vallejo. In addition there is seasonal service to AT&T Park and Angel Island.