

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-0046**

APPROVING THE 2016 CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 319(h) NONPOINT SOURCE PROGRAM PREFERENCES, AUTHORIZING STAFF TO SOLICIT AND RECOMMEND PROJECTS, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO AWARD AND EXECUTE FINANCE AGREEMENTS FOR THE 2016 FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 319(h) NONPOINT SOURCE GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

1. The 2016 Clean Water Act section 319(h) (Clean Water Act 319[h]) nonpoint source (NPS) grant program (2016 Clean Water Act 319 NPS Grant Program) provides funding to states to implement their NPS programs. A portion of these funds may be used for grants to implement total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) and watershed-based plans to restore impaired water bodies.
2. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is authorized to administer approximately \$4,000,000 in federal funds pursuant to Clean Water Act 319 for local NPS pollution control implementation activities.
3. Assembly Bill 1492 (2012, Chapter 289) specifies moneys deposited in the Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Fund may be used, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to fund existing restoration grant programs.
4. Assembly Bill 93 (2015, Chapter 10) provides an annual appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Funds (Timber Fund) for local assistance, such as that provided for by the Clean Water Act 319 Grant Program.
5. The State Water Board, regional Water Quality Control Boards and U. S. Environmental Protection Agency staff have developed a list of NPS program preferences (Program Preferences) (see Exhibit 1) to target funds on NPS priority pollutants as identified in the 2014-2020 NPS Program implementation plan in watersheds that have approved TMDLs and watershed-based plans.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board

1. Approves the proposed Program Preferences, presented in [Exhibit 1](#), and makes projects that address the Program Preferences eligible to compete for funding through the 2016 Clean Water Act 319 NPS Grant Program.

2. Authorizes staff to solicit and recommend projects that address the Program Preferences to the Executive Director or designee for funding.
3. Authorizes the Executive Director, or designee, to award and execute finance agreements and amendments to implement projects that address the Program Preferences and to perform all acts and to do all things necessary and convenient to implement such agreements.

CERTIFICATION


The undersigned Clerk to the Board does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on July 7, 2015.

AYE: Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber
Board Member Steven Moore
Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None

ABSENT: Chair Felicia Marcus
Board Member Tam M. Doduc

ABSTAIN: None



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board