## STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2018-0022

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO CONTRACT WITH A CONSULTANT TO DEVELOP CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT-COMPLIANT DOCUMENTS FOR PLANS, POLICIES, AND REGULATIONS THAT SUPPORT CALIFORNIA WATER ACTION PLAN EFFORTS

## WHEREAS:

- 1. The State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) mission is to preserve, enhance, and restore the quality of California's water resources and drinking water for the protection of the environment, public health, and all beneficial uses, and to ensure proper water resource allocation and efficient use, for the benefit of present and future generations. The State Water Board is also responsible for the protection of resources, such as fisheries, wildlife, aesthetics, and navigation, which are held in trust for the public;
- 2. Under Action 4 of the California Water Action Plan (WAP), the State Water Board and California Department of Fish and Wildlife are working to enhance flow in at least five streams statewide. As part of this and other similar efforts, the State Water Board is considering how any additional instream flows necessary to protect public trust resources may impact other beneficial uses of water;
- 3. The State Water Board intends to contract with a consultant to provide professional services to the State Water Board for development of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)-compliant documents for plans, policies, and regulations that support the State Water Board's WAP efforts. The contract will focus on the development of CEQA compliant documents for up to five (5) priority watersheds throughout the state;
- 4. The contract would: (a) commit up to a total of \$2 million; and (b) provide a contract term of five years; and
- 5. Execution of the contract and associated implementation are appropriate for redelegation by the Executive Director.

## THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director:

- 1) To execute a contract and amendments for the development of CEQA-compliant documents for plans, policies, and regulations that support the State Water Board's efforts under the WAP. The State Water Board commits up to \$2 million and authorizes a term of up to five (5) years for the contract.
- 2) To perform all the acts and implement all measures necessary to fulfill the objectives of the proposed contract, provided that the contract funds encumbered are expended in accordance with Government Code Section 16304.

3) To redelegate this authority, as appropriate.

## **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 May 1, 2018.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus

Vice Chair Steven Moore Board Member Tam M. Doduc Board Member Dorene D'Adamo Board Member E. Joaquin Esquivel

NAY: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

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