STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2019-0055

AUTHORIZING PROPOSITION 1 GROUNDWATER GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING FOR THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER'S NORTH HOLLYWOOD CENTRAL AND TUJUNGA REMEDIATION PROJECTS

WHEREAS:

- Proposition 1 allocated approximately \$670 million to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) for projects that prevent or cleanup the contamination of groundwater that serves or has served as a source of drinking water (Wat. Code, § 79771);
- The Proposition 1 Groundwater Grant Program Guidelines (Guidelines) were initially adopted by the State Water Board on May 18, 2016 (<u>Resolution No.</u> <u>2016-0028</u>). The Guidelines were then amended by the State Water Board on December 19, 2017 (<u>Resolution No. 2017-0075</u>);
- 3. With regard to implementation projects, the Guidelines establish a maximum grant amount of \$50 million per project for funding decisions by the Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance (DFA), and require that funding requests exceeding this amount are subject to State Water Board approval;
- Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is requesting grant funding of \$122,489,006 for the North Hollywood Central Remediation Project, and \$137,808,774 for the Tujunga Remediation Project;
- Staff have determined that both projects address eligibility requirements and prioritization criteria, as well as several State Water Board project preferences; and
- 6. If this resolution is approved, it is estimated that nearly \$160 million in grant funds will remain unallocated to projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Delegates authority to the Deputy Director of DFA to approve Proposition 1 GWGP funds up to \$122,489,007 and \$137,808,774 for LADWP's North Hollywood Central Remediation Project and Tujunga Remediation Project, respectively, above the \$50 million per project limitation on awards by the Deputy Director of DFA established in the Guidelines. 2. Authorizes the Deputy Director of DFA or designee to award funds and execute grant agreements with LADWP for these two projects consistent with the amounts approved in Item 1. Except for the \$50 million per project limitation, all other authorities and requirements established through Resolution No. 2017-0075 will apply to these projects.

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 October 3, 2019.

- AYE: Chair E. Joaquin Esquivel Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo Board Member Sean Maguire Board Member Laurel Firestone
 NAY: None
 ABSENT: Board Member Tam M. Doduc
- ABSTAIN: None

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