STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2025-0032

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THE CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO ACCEPT MONIES FROM THE NAPA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND EXECUTE AND AMEND CONTRACTS FOR A SAN FRANCISCO BAY WATER BOARD STAFF POSITION TO SUPPORT NAPA COUNTY FLOOD PROTECTION AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S PROJECTS OF PUBLIC BENEFIT

WHEREAS:

- 1. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (San Francisco Bay Water Board), has the primary responsibility to protect the quality of the surface and groundwater within the San Francisco Bay Region for beneficial uses.
- 2. California Water Code section 13249, as amended by Assembly Bill 2501 (2023–2024 Regular Session), authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), on behalf of itself or a regional water quality control board, to accept monies from public agencies for the purpose of planning, permitting, or providing technical support for projects of public benefit within the State Water Board's or a regional board's jurisdiction. "Projects of public benefit" include, but are not limited to, projects directly related to climate change adaptation, ecosystem protection and restoration, water recycling, stormwater capture, water conservation, emergency preparedness, flood management, ambient water quality monitoring, research, and environmental justice.
- 3. The Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (Napa Flood District) was established in 1951 by a special act of the California Legislature that authorizes the Napa Flood District to develop and manage domestic water supplies and control flood and storm waters in Napa County. Notably, the formation of the Napa Flood District enabled the County to begin participating in government programs and joint-use activities to augment and enhance local water supplies and obtain federal and state assistance to finance flood control projects.
- 4. The Napa Flood District's mission is the conservation and management of flood and storm waters to protect life and property; the maintenance of the County watershed using the highest level of environmentally sound practices; and the provision of coordinated planning for water supply needs for the community. The Napa Flood District, in the execution of its authority of flood

protection and water supply in the Napa County, applies for permits, certifications, and waivers for projects of public benefit from the San Francisco Bay Water Board. The Napa Flood District also submits requests for other actions, needs, or services for projects of public benefit to the San Francisco Bay Water Board.

- 5. The expedited and timely processing of Napa Flood District applications for permits, certifications, or waivers for projects of public benefit and requests for other actions, needs, or services for projects of public benefit from the San Francisco Bay Water Board will support flood management projects, creek and wetland restoration projects, and other projects of public benefit.
- 6. The San Francisco Bay Water Board needs additional professional staff to advise on the planning, permitting, and technical support to ensure the Napa Flood District's applications and requests for projects of public benefit are processed in a timely manner.
- 7. The Napa Flood District has committed to fund a San Francisco Bay Water Board staff position to advise on the Napa Flood District's applications and requests for projects of public benefit for at least three years to support such projects.
- 8. The State Water Board authorized the Executive Director, Chief Deputy Director, and Deputy Director of the Division of Administrative Services to execute contracts for no more than \$1,500,000 or three years in duration per State Board Resolution No. 2025-0003.
- The State Water Board provided notice of this Resolution and its intent to accept monies from the Napa Flood District on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Water Board to support projects of public benefit.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

- Authorizes the Executive Director, Chief Deputy Director, or the Deputy
 Director of the Division of Administrative Services to accept monies from the
 Napa Flood District on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Water Board.
- 2. Authorizes the Executive Director, Chief Deputy Director, or the Deputy Director of the Division of Administrative Services to execute and amend, for

and on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Water Board, contracts with the Napa Flood District for a dedicated San Francisco Bay Water Board staff position to advise on the planning, permitting, and/or technical aspects of Napa Flood District projects of public benefit in accordance with Resolution No. 2025-0003.

- 3. Authorizes the Executive Director, Chief Deputy Director, or the Deputy Director of the Division of Administrative Services to act, to the greatest extent provided by law, to perform all things necessary and convenient to accept monies from the Napa Flood District and to implement contracts and amendments as authorized by this Resolution.
- 4. This authorization shall remain in full force and effect until modified or revoked by the State Water Board.

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 21, 2025.

AYE: Chair E. Joaquin Esquivel

Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo Board Member Sean Maguire Board Member Laurel Firestone Board Member Nichole Morgan

NAY: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

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Clerk to the Board