STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MARCH 20, 2012

ITEM 3

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2012 CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF) INTENDED USE PLAN (IUP)

DISCUSSION

Federal law and regulation require the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to submit an IUP at least annually to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). The IUP is a required element of the application to U.S. EPA for capitalization grants to the CWSRF.

The IUP explains how the Division of Financial Assistance intends to implement the CWSRF Program considering the availability of funds, the relative completeness of the applications inhouse, and state and regional water quality priorities. The IUP includes activities planned for the year and measurements to monitor the CWSRF Program's performance.

On February 10, 2012, staff notified stakeholders and interested parties of their opportunity to comment on the draft 2012 IUP.

If the 2012 IUP is approved by the State Water Board, staff will submit it to U.S. EPA as part of the federal fiscal year (FFY) 2012 capitalization grant application.

POLICY ISSUES

Should the State Water Board approve the FFY 2012 IUP?

REGIONAL WATER BOARD IMPACT

The FFY 2012 IUP will help municipalities and other eligible applicants finance projects that comply with Regional Water Quality Control Boards' discharge requirements, address Regional Water Quality Control Boards' enforcement orders, or contribute to Basin Plan goals.

FISCAL IMPACT

In the IUP, Section III. Program Capabilities, provides a complete analysis of the CWSRF's financial position for FFY 2012. This IUP sets out the State Water Board's business plan for the fiscal year 2012. It discusses management's general approach and the CWSRF's ability to successfully carry out the business plan with the financial and programmatic resources available to it.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The State Water Board should approve the FFY 2012 IUP.

State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching the following Goals of the Strategic Plan Update 2008-2012: Goal 1: to implement strategies to fully support the beneficial uses for all 2006-listed water bodies by 2030. Goal 5: Improve transparency and accountability by ensuring that Water Board goals and actions are clear and accessible, by demonstrating and explaining results achieved with respect to the goals and resources available, by enhancing and improving accessibility of data and information, and by encouraging the creating of organizations or cooperative agreements that advance this goal, such as establishment of a statewide water data institute.

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STATE WATER REOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2012-

ADOPTION OF THE 2012 CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF) INTENDED USE PLAN (IUP)

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Division of Financial Assistance prepared a draft Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2012 IUP in compliance with federal rules and solicited public comment on the document;
- 2. States must submit an IUP to United States Environmental Protection Agency at least annually, and the IUP is a required element of the capitalization grant application; and
- 3. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) intends to submit an application for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2012 capitalization grant.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board approves the FFY 2012 IUP.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duty and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Board held on March 20, 2012.

Jeanine Townsend Clerk to the Board