

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION - DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS
APRIL 21, 2015**

ITEM 6

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND CONTRACT 10-056-300 BETWEEN THE STATE WATER BOARD AND ICF JONES & STOKES

DISCUSSION

To meet the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.), the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Wat. Code, § 13000 et seq.), and other applicable requirements, environmental and other documentation must be prepared to identify and evaluate potential changes to the 2006 Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Bay-Delta Plan) and the potential effects of any changes. On May 20, 2011, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) entered into contract 10-056-300 with Jones and Stokes Associates, Inc. (now doing business as ICF Jones & Stokes) in order to receive assistance in preparation of the required analysis and documentation. On February 4, 2014, the State Water Board adopted the most recent resolution related to this contract, [Resolution No. 2014-0007](#), authorizing the allocation of up to \$3,000,000 for the contract. Accordingly, the State Water Board amended the contract in September 2014, and increased the funding to its current amount of \$2,999,087. Additional funding, currently estimated to be about \$400,000, will be required to complete the work supported by this contract. Additional authorization, up to the amount of \$3,750,000, may be needed to complete tasks under the scope of the contract's existing Request for Qualifications number 09-094-300, including completion of the Phase 1 Substitute Environmental Document (SED). The amount of additional funds needed for the contract will depend on whether additional significant comments are raised on the draft SED that require additional work. The current expiration date of the contract is March 31, 2016. While work is anticipated to be completed by that date, extending the date to June 30, 2017 will ensure that all work needed to adopt the final documents and close the project will be covered without further extensions.

In order to add funds or extend the term of the contract, the Executive Director must receive authorization from the State Water Board.

POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Board authorize the Executive Director to extend the term of the contract, if necessary, to no later than June 30, 2017 and to allocate additional funds up to a contract total of \$3,750,000 if necessary to complete the work required?

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding has not yet been identified for the anticipated amendment of about \$400,000. Additional funding up to the proposed new authorization amount of \$3,750,000 will only be sought if necessary. This resolution does not commit funds.

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The State Water Board should approve the Resolution.

State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goal 4 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012: Comprehensively address water quality protection and restoration and the relationship between water supply and water quality, and describe the connections between water quality, water quantity, and climate change, throughout California's water planning processes.

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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2015-

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND CONTRACT 10-056-300
BETWEEN THE STATE WATER BOARD AND ICF JONES & STOKES

WHEREAS:

1. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is responsible for the regulation of activities and factors that may affect the quality of the waters of the state (Wat. Code, §§ 13000, 13001). The State Water Board is undertaking a proceeding under its water quality authority to review and amend the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Bay-Delta Plan) adopted in 1978 and amended in 1991, 1995, and 2006;
2. To meet the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.), the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Wat. Code, § 13000 et seq.), and other applicable requirements, environmental and other documentation will need to be prepared to identify and evaluate potential changes to the 2006 Bay-Delta Plan and the potential effects of any changes;
3. On May 20, 2011, the State Water Board entered into contract 10-056-300 with Jones and Stokes Associates, Inc. (now doing business as ICF Jones & Stokes) in order to receive assistance in preparing the analyses and documentation supporting the review and update of the 2006 Bay-Delta Plan. Currently, the Executive Director is authorized to allocate up to \$3,000,000 in funds to the contract;
4. Additional authorization, up to the amount of \$3,750,000, may be needed to complete tasks under the scope of the contract's existing Request for Qualifications number 09-094-300 and;
5. The current expiration date of the contract is March 31, 2016. While work under contract 10-056-300 is anticipated to be completed by that date, allowing the Executive Director to extend the expiration date of the contract to June 30, 2017, if necessary, should ensure sufficient time for work under the contract to be completed.

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director, if necessary, to allocate up to \$3,750,000 in funds to contract 10-056-300 and to extend the expiration date of the contract, if necessary, to no later than June 30, 2017.

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 April 21, 2015.

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board