STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD WORKSHOP SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY AUGUST 19, 2015

ITEM 8

SUBJECT

STORM WATER STRATEGIC INITIATIVE - DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR A STORM WATER PROGRAM WORKPLAN AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY AND PROPOSED PROJECT LIST.

DISCUSSION

The purpose of the Storm Water Strategic Initiative is to examine the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards) role in storm water resource management by (1) developing guiding principles to serve as the foundation of the Storm Water Program, (2) identifying issues that inhibit storm water regulations from aligning with the guiding principles, and (3) proposing and prioritizing projects that the Water Boards can implement to address those issues. The Draft Proposal for a Storm Water Program Workplan and Implementation Strategy (Draft Proposal) presents proposed outcomes of the Proposed Project List based on stakeholder interests for consideration by the State Water Board. With direction from the State Water Board, a focused Storm Water Program Workplan and local agencies. To the extent resources are available; the Water Boards will complete a selection of priority projects to improve the effectiveness of the Storm Water Program. The <u>Draft Proposal and Proposed Project List</u> were issued for public comment on June 25, 2015. State Water Board Staff will be providing an overview of the Draft Proposal and Proposed Project List and inviting public comment.

POLICY ISSUE

None.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

None, this is a workshop item.

State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goal 4 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012: to 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.