

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 86- 35

AUTHORIZING (1) RETURN TO STATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SAP) SAVINGS OF A \$300,000 GRANT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES TO INVESTIGATE THE IMPACTS OF NON-STATE WATER PROJECT AND NON-CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT APPROPRIATORS ON BAY-DELTA WATER QUALITY, (2) TRANSFER OF \$645,000 FROM SAP SAVINGS TO THE NON-SAP PORTION OF THE STATE CLEAN WATER AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND FOR PURPOSES OF CONDUCTING THE INVESTIGATION AND (3) NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CONDUCT THE STUDY

WHEREAS:

1. The State Board intends to commence a hearing process in the summer of 1986 for the purpose of considering water quality standards for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Bay-Delta Estuary).
2. During the hearing, the State Board may consider not only the responsibilities of the federal Central Valley Project (CVP) and the State Water Project (SWP) to protect Bay-Delta water quality, but also the responsibilities of non-CVP/SWP appropriators.
3. To consider the responsibilities of non-CVP/SWP appropriators to protect Bay-Delta water quality, the State Board will need to obtain specific information by April 1987.
4. State Board Resolution 84-67 authorized expenditure of \$300,000 of SAP grant funds by the Department of Water Resources (Department) under a SAP grant contract to help State Board staff carry out an investigation to determine impacts of non-CVP/SWP appropriators on Bay-Delta water quality.
5. The State Board's Executive Director asked the Department to provide matching resources to support the investigation.
6. The Department has declined to enter into the SAP grant contract pursuant to Resolution 84-67 or provide the requested matching resources for the study.
7. Resolution 86-23 authorizes reallocation of SAP savings on a case-by-case basis to fund non-SAP planning and research studies.
8. Section 13962(d) of the Water Code permits funds from the State Clean Water and Water Conservation Fund to be used for areawide studies.
9. The investigation to determine impacts of non-CVP/SWP appropriators on Bay-Delta water quality qualifies as an areawide study under Water Code Section 13962(d).
10. Approximately \$377,000 in unencumbered SAP grant funds are currently available for allocation by the State Board.
11. State Board staff estimates that an additional 1.5 staff years in the Bay-Delta Program will be needed to complete the investigation on schedule.


12. Staff resources from the San Francisco Bay Regional Board's allocation for the Aquatic Habitat Program are available for redirection back to the Bay-Delta Program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE BOARD:

1. Directs return of the \$300,000 SAP grant, offered the Department of Water Resources to help carry out an investigation of water appropriator impacts on Bay-Delta water quality, to the SAP savings;
2. Directs transfer of \$645,000 from SAP savings to the non-SAP portion of the State Clean Water and Water Conservation Fund.
3. Authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and execute contracts up to and including the amount of \$645,000 from the State Clean Water and Water Conservation Fund to investigate water appropriator impacts on Bay-Delta quality.
4. Concurs with a redirection of 1.5 staff years to the Bay-Delta Program from the San Francisco Bay Regional Board's allocation for the Aquatic Habitat Program.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Director of the State Water Resources Control Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of the resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on April 17, 1986.



Raymond Walsh
Interim Executive Director