STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD . RESOLUTION NO. 95-89

APPROVAL OF THE SECTION 205(j) PHASE X WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROJECT PRIORITY LIST

WHEREAS:

- 1. Section 205(j)(2) of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) allows states to reserve up to one percent of their annual Title II Clean Water Construction Grant allocation for water quality management planning activities. Beginning in 1989, Section 604(b) supplemented Section 205(j)(2) to maintain funding for water quality management planning projects.
- 2. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) is the designated State agency in California to administer the water quality management planning program.
- 3. It is estimated that up to \$0.9 million may be available in FFY 1996 for funding the water quality management planning program projects and program administration from CWA Section 604(b).
- 4. The SWRCB issued a Request for Workplans (RFW) to local agencies for the Phase X water quality management planning program on February 21, 1995.
- 5. In response to the RFW, 36 workplans were received.
- 6. Following a thorough evaluation process, including open public participation, the SWRCB has selected projects that will be fully considered for Phase X funding contingent on availability of funds and development of acceptable contractual agreements.
- 7. These water quality management planning projects consist of actions taken by regulatory agencies, as authorized by State law or local ordinance, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of water quality or the environment. As such, these projects are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq., in accordance with 14 California Code of Regulations, Sections 15307 and 15308.
- 8. The total amount of available funding is unknown at this time.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The SWRCB:

- 1. Establishes the attached priority list for 205(j) Phase X water quality management planning projects.
- 2. Authorizes the Executive Director, or his designee, to apply for and accept the FFY 1996 Phase X water quality management planning project grant.
- 3. Authorizes the Executive Director, or his designee, to approve the final Phase X water quality management planning workplans and to negotiate and execute contracts and amendments in accordance with the workplans to implement the projects subject to No. 5 below.
- 4. Authorizes the Executive Director, after advising the SWRCB, to redirect unexpended Phase X water quality management planning funds as necessary to other projects or administrative costs within the Water Quality Planning Program subject to No. 5 below.
- 5. Once the final amount of 205(j)(2) dollars available to the State Water Board is determined, the Board will determine the final allocation of funds for the projects listed as Nos. 1-11, attached.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Administrative Assistant 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 November 16, 1995.

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