

STATE WATER BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2005-0056

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND
ACCEPT A FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 205(j) GRANT

WHEREAS:

1. Section 205(j) of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA) authorizes 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 Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 1989, CWA section 604(b) supplemented CWA section 205(j)(2) to maintain such funding.
2. A total of \$778,466 will be available in FFY 2005 for funding the water quality management planning program from CWA section 604(b), of which 40 percent is typically passed through to local agencies for projects.
3. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has been granted a waiver from the pass-through requirement from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), the federal granting agency, and will use the 205(j) grant to support its overall water quality planning program.
4. The core water quality planning activities managed by the State Water Board will significantly benefit from the supplemental funding provided by the annual section 205(j) grant. These include developing statewide water quality objectives for bacteria and nutrients, developing an economic protocol for State Water Board and Regional Water Quality Control Board staffs, and other important activities related to the workload associated with developing and processing Total Maximum Daily Loads.
5. In-kind services with USEPA, as well as staff resources from the 205(j) grant, will contribute significantly to meeting these needs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Authorizes the Executive Director to apply for and accept the FFY 2005 Phase 19 water quality management planning grant under CWA sections 205(j) and 604(b).
2. Authorizes the Executive Director to approve the final Phase 19 water quality management planning workplan.

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 July 21, 2005.


Debbie Irvin
Clerk to the Board