

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2006 - 0063**

APPROVING PROJECTS, AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF GRANTS FOR THE URBAN
STORMWATER PROGRAM (USWP) AND THE NONPOINT SOURCE (NPS)
IMPLEMENTATION (319[H]) PROGRAM ADMINISTERED THROUGH
THE 2005-06 CONSOLIDATED GRANTS PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

1. In March 2002, the voters approved the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40). Approximately \$175 million from Proposition 40 was appropriated to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to administer through eight different programs, including the USWP (\$14.25 million);
2. The State Water Board is authorized to administer approximately \$4.1 million in federal funds pursuant to Section 319(h) of the federal Clean Water Act for local nonpoint source pollution control activities from enactment of the federal 2006 budget;
3. The State Water Board adopted the 2005-06 Consolidated Grants Program Guidelines (Guidelines) establishing the evaluation criteria and the review and selection process for the 2005-06 Consolidated Grants Program's two-step process and identifying partner agency priorities;
4. The State Water Board released the Concept Proposal Solicitation Notice in January 2006, soliciting project proposals for six interrelated grant programs from Proposition 40, Proposition 50, and federal Clean Water Act Section 319(h);
5. The State Water Board released the Full Proposal Solicitation Notice in April 2006, soliciting Full Proposals from the most competitive Concept Proposal applicants;
6. Consistent with the Guidelines, the Full Proposals were reviewed for technical merit by technical review teams consisting of staff from the State Water Board, Regional Water Quality Control Boards, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Resources Agency, San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, and other partner agencies. The projects recommended for funding represent the most competitive proposals;
7. Recommended funding lists for the Proposition 40 USWP and the NPS Implementation (319[h]) Program were prepared by State Water Board staff, with input from the technical review teams, and forwarded to the Selection Panel for review and recommendation in accordance with the process outlined in the Guidelines;
8. The Selection Panel recommends funding the projects presented on the Recommended Funding Lists, which were determined to best address the priorities identified in the Guidelines, and result in projects related to watershed protection, water management, and the protection of beneficial uses through the control of urban stormwater runoff and nonpoint source pollution; and
9. The Guidelines allow withdrawal of the grant awards to non-responsive applicants, and issuance of grant awards to other competitive proposals that are below the funding line.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE WATER BOARD

1. Approves the funding for projects on the Recommended Funding List from the USWP and NPS Implementation (319[h]) Program;
2. Authorizes the issuance of grants and amendments to implement the projects; and
3. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance (Division) to withdraw grant awards if applicants are non-responsive. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division to issue grants to projects below the funding line in the event that funds are withdrawn for non-responsiveness or become available from new appropriations or completed or terminated projects.

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 September 21, 2006.

AYE: Tam M. Doduc
Gerald D. Secundy
Arthur G. Baggett, Jr.
Charles R. Hoppin
Gary Wolff, P.E., Ph.D.

NO: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



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Clerk to the Board