

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-0018**

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR,
ACCEPT, AND/OR AMEND FEDERAL WATER INFRASTRUCTURE
IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE NATION GRANTS

WHEREAS:

1. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides grants to states under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Section 1459A. The U.S. EPA awards grants to states to assist underserved, small and disadvantaged communities that are unable to finance activities needed to comply with the SDWA;
2. The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program is capitalized with grants from the U.S. EPA and matching state funds, and is administered in compliance with state and federal law, regulations, policies, and agreements with U.S. EPA, including capitalization grant agreements and the Operating Agreement for Implementing and Managing the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program;
3. The Division of Financial Assistance (Division) administers the DWSRF Program to fund eligible drinking water projects through the DWSRF Policy, as required by Health and Safety Code section 116760.43;
4. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) originally adopted the DWSRF Policy on October 21, 2014; the DWSRF Policy was last amended on December 3, 2019;
5. The EPA notified the State Water Board that Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) grants for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2023 of approximately \$3,043,000 and FFY 2024 of approximately \$1,624,000 are available to the State Water Board to assist with implementation of the DWSRF Program;
6. State Water Board staff prepares a draft list of projects to submit to the EPA as part of the workplan, which is a requirement of the WIIN grant applications; and

7. The WIIN grant funded projects may require a minimum non-federal cost share. However, the WIIN grant funded projects are not anticipated to require a minimum non-federal cost share for FFY 2023 or FFY 2024.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to annually apply for, accept, and amend, as necessary, a WIIN grant for support of the DWSRF Program;
2. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division or designee to negotiate and approve program workplans; and
3. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division or designee to issue contracts, grants, match funds and amendments to implement WIIN grants consistent with the DWSRF Program.

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 June 18, 2024.

AYE: Chair E. Joaquin Esquivel
Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo
Board Member Sean Maguire
Board Member Laurel Firestone
Board Member Nichole Morgan

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



Courtney Tyler
Clerk to the Board