STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2000 – 009

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA TO ADD FUNDS FROM FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000 TO COLLECT ADDITIONAL DATA ON BEACH USE VALUE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS:

- 1. Opportunities for beach recreation contribute significantly to the quality of life of many California residents. In addition, spending by tourists visiting beaches creates jobs and incomes in businesses serving tourists.
- 2. These values are lost or degraded when beaches are contaminated as a result of water pollution.
- 3. Water pollution on and near beaches is a serious problem, particularly in southern California. Frequent beach closures reduce the quality of life of many California residents.
- 4. Estimates of the dollar value to the public of beach recreation and the effect of water pollution on this value will be useful to Regional Boards in setting liabilities for violations that result in beach closures. In addition, these values are useful for comparison with the costs of actions needed to reduce water pollution on beaches.
- 5. The University of California has begun a study to estimate the value of beach recreation and the effect of water pollution on this value. Collection of additional data will significantly improve the accuracy of the results of this study.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to amend Agreement 7-107-210-0 with the University of California to add \$141,010 for additional data collection.

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 February 17, 2000.

/s/

Maureen Marché Administrative Assistant to the Board