# STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2010-0023

TO ALLOCATE \$600,000 FROM THE CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ACCOUNT (CAA) TO FUND THE INSPECTION, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIRS TO THE 700-LEVEL ADIT AT WALKER MINE (PROJECT)

# WHEREAS:

- The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) is requesting an additional \$600,000 from the CAA to fund the Project for the next five years;
- 2. The Central Valley Water Board will not be able to meet its requirements to protect water quality as described in the Walker Mine (Mine) *Acid Mine Drainage Abatement Project, Operations and Maintenance Procedures* (May 1997), adopted by the Central Valley Water Board in Resolution No. 97-161;
- 3. The Mine discharged acid mine drainage (AMD) directly into Dolly Creek, and the discharge eliminated aquatic life downstream in Dolly Creek and Little Grizzly Creek for a distance of approximately 10 miles;
- 4. In November 1987, the Central Valley Water Board installed an engineered concrete mine seal to prevent the direct discharge of AMD;
- 5. In 1991, the Central Valley Water Board received a \$1.5 million settlement from the owners of the property. The money was paid to the CAA and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted Resolution Nos. 1991-0016 and 1997-0082, which authorized \$1.2 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, from the CAA to the Central Valley Water Board for the Mine;
- 6. Inspection, maintenance, and repair of the 700-Level Adit are required before staff can inspect and further maintain the Mine seal; and
- 7. The requested allocation is consistent with the purposes of Water Code Section 13442. Section 13442 provides that the State Water Board may order moneys to be paid from the CAA to a public agency with authority to cleanup or abate the effects of a waste "to assist it in cleaning up the waste or abating its effects on the waters of the state."

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

### The State Water Board:

- 1. Approves funding an additional \$600,000 from the CAA to the Central Valley Water Board for the Project;
- 2. Directs that less than ten percent of the \$600,000 funding amount is authorized for Project oversight by the Central Valley Water Board; and

3. Reverts any unexpended funds to the CAA as of June 20, 2015, unless the Deputy Director or Assistant Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance authorizes an extension. The funds will be available until June 30, 2015.

# 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 Board held on May 18, 2010.

AYE: Chairman Charles R. Hoppin

Board Member Arthur G. Baggett, Jr.

Board Member Tam M. Doduc Board Member Walter G. Pettit

NAY: None

ABSENT: Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber

ABSTAIN: None

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