

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS
JANUARY 5, 2010**

ITEM 4

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND AN EXISTING CONTRACT WITH THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS THAT PROVIDES RESEARCH ON EMERGING BAY-DELTA ISSUES

DISCUSSION

The State Water Board staff needs technical and research support for its water quality control planning efforts associated with emerging Bay-Delta issues and the Pelagic Organism Decline.

The State Water Board first established Agreement No. 06-447-300 for such support in July 2007. Since then, the need for such support has increased in both amount and duration. Given the complexity of the Bay-Delta issues and the ongoing nature of the State Water Board's planning efforts, additional support is required for a longer period of time. The current total contract amount is \$910,138 and the contract ends on March 31, 2011. The proposed amendment will add \$150,000 for a new total amount of \$1,060,138, and will extend the contract end date to no later than June 30, 2012. This amendment will be funded from Fiscal Year 2009-10 waste discharge permit funds. The contract is currently funded from a combination of general funds, water rights funds, and waste discharge permit funds.

POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Board adopt the proposed resolution?

FISCAL IMPACT

A sufficient amount of waste discharge permit funds is available and has been identified for this amendment.

REGIONAL WATER BOARD IMPACT

This amendment of this agreement will provide for technical and research support that will also be useful for Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board and San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board efforts related to the Bay-Delta.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the proposed resolution.

State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goal 4 of the Water Board's Strategic Plan: to comprehensively address water quality protection and restoration, and the relationship between water supply and water quality, and describe the connections between water quality, water quantity, and climate change, throughout California's water planning processes. This effort is also consistent with activities committed to in the Water Boards' Strategic Workplan for Activities in the Bay Delta: 1) comprehensive review of the Bay-Delta Plan and other requirements to protect fish and wildlife beneficial uses and the public trust; and 2) establishment, review and implementation, as appropriate, of salinity objectives in the southern Delta.

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2010-**

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND AN EXISTING CONTRACT
WITH THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS,
PROVIDING RESEARCH ON EMERGING BAY-DELTA ISSUES**

WHEREAS:

1. The State Water Board staff needs technical and research support for its water quality control planning efforts associated with emerging Bay-Delta issues and the Pelagic Organism Decline.
2. The State Water Board established Agreement No. 06-447-300 for such support in July 2007. The current contract, which ends on March 31, 2011, is for a total amount of \$910,138. The contract is currently funded from a combination of general funds, water rights funds, and waste discharge permit funds.
3. Given the complexity of the Bay-Delta issues and the ongoing nature of the State Water Board's planning efforts, additional support is required for a longer period of time. The proposed amendment will add \$150,000, for a new total of \$1,060,138, and extend the contract end date to no later than June 30, 2012. This amendment will be funded from Fiscal Year (FY) 09/10 waste discharge permit funds.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director to amend Agreement No. 06-447-300 with the Regents of the University of California, Davis, to increase the total contract amount by \$150,000 from \$910,138 to \$1,060,138 using FY 09/10 waste discharge permit funds and to extend the contract end date to no later than June 30, 2012.

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 January 5, 2010.

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board