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## AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY GRANT PROGRAM (AWQGP)

### WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM?

- To fund projects that will reduce the effects of discharge and runoff from irrigated agricultural land to the State's water bodies.

### WHAT TYPES OF PROJECTS WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR FUNDING?

- Projects that will improve water quality derived from irrigated crop lands through implementation of management practices, monitoring, demonstration projects, research, education and outreach;
- Projects that will reduce pollutants in agricultural drainage through water reuse, integrated management, or treatment; and
- Projects that are eligible to provide matching funds for federal agricultural water quality grant programs.

### HOW MUCH FUNDING IS AVAILABLE?

Approximately \$20.5 million in grant funding is available through Propositions 40 & 50 (2002 Bond Laws). Additional funding of approximately \$5.5-\$6 million may also be available from Clean Water Act Section 319(h) funds in the federal fiscal year of 2004/2005.

### WHEN WILL THE GRANT FUNDING BE AVAILABLE?

The grant funds will be made available as part of a Request for Proposals process encompassing agricultural water quality projects. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) will adopt Program Guidelines during the summer of 2004. The project solicitation process is anticipated to begin in August 2004.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

Public agencies and non-profit organizations are eligible to receive this grant funding.

### WHAT COSTS ARE ELIGIBLE?

Eligible costs and matching fund requirements have not been established at this time. These criteria will be established in the Program Guidelines.

### IS THERE A FUNDING LIMIT?

No funding limit has been established at this time. The SWRCB will approve funding criteria as part of the Program Guidelines in the summer of 2004.

### WHOM DO I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION?

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