

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-0019**

DELEGATING AUTHORITIES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF GENERAL FUND
ALLOCATIONS FOR EMERGENCY SUPPORT

WHEREAS:

1. Immediate action is often necessary to assure availability of safe drinking water, and to protect public health and safety in communities across the State;
2. It is the intent of the State Water Board to provide emergency support in an expedient manner, generally with priority given to economically disadvantaged communities;
3. The State Water Board has received multiple allocations in recent years to address drinking water emergencies, most recently, the Department of Finance notified the Joint Legislative Budget Committee of a Budget Augmentation to the State Water Board, which included \$55 million for emergency funding to address hauled water and well repair and replacement needs;
4. Given the significant projected need for additional drinking water funding for emergency support, the State Water Board may be allocated additional General Fund resources that must be deployed quickly to help communities in need; and
5. As directed by the State Water Board in [Resolution No. 2016-0010](#), the proposed actions will support the human right to water by providing financial and administrative assistance to improve access to, and the quality of, drinking water in disadvantaged communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Authorizes the Deputy Director of DFA to approve or deny emergency drinking water funding requests that will be funded with General Fund allocations appropriated prior to June 30, 2028, including funds allocated consistent with Control Section 35(g)(2) of the Budget Act of 2022; and

2. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance to execute agreements, amendments, and other instruments to pay in advance, expend funds on behalf of public water systems, and disburse funds pursuant to above and to perform all acts and to do all things necessary and convenient to implement such agreements.

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 July 18, 2023.

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