STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 88- 128

EXTENSION OF THE FFY 1988 CLEAN WATER GRANT PRIORITY LIST TO JUNE 30, 1989 ADOPTION OF THE FFY 1989 CLEAN WATER GRANT PRIORITY LIST

WHEREAS:

- It appears that there will be at least \$108 million in FFY 1988 carry-over funds and deobligations which can be used to fund new grant awards, to fund grant increases, or which can be transferred to the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program.
- On September 3, 1987, the State Board adopted the FFY 1988 Clean Water Grant Priority List placing a \$25 million limit on the amount of federal funds that any one agency could receive.
- 3. There are several Priority Class A and B agencies on the fundable portion of the FFY 1988 Clean Water Grant Priority List that did not receive grant funding before September 30, 1988.
- 4. There are insufficient funds available to meet all identified requests for grant funding.
- 5. There are a number of agencies with existing grant funded projects that are seeking grant increases.
- 6. Various written commitments for grant increases have been made in the past by staff and these commitments should be ratified by the Board.
- 7. It is anticipated that about \$62 million in FFY 1989 federal funds will be available for grant awards at the option of the Board. The obligation period for these funds expires on September 30, 1990.
- 8. The Clean Water Act allows the states to set aside up to 20 percent of their allotment to fund major sewer system rehabilitation (Needs Category IIIB), new collector sewers and appurtenances (Needs Category IVA), and combined sewer overflow correction (Needs Category V) projects. The current level of federal funding for this set-aside is not sufficient to meet the needs in these three categories.
- 9. Section 208(d) of the Clean Water Act requires that grants issued under Section 201 be made only to designated management agencies, and only for construction of treatment works which conform to an approved water quality management plan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE BOARD:

- 1. Approves the extension of the FFY 1988 Clean Water Grant Priority List to June 30, 1989 for all viable Class A and Class B projects. The extended Priority List shall constitute the Board's FFY 1989 Clean Water Grant Priority List.
- 2. Approves use of all funds available to June 30, 1989, including any deobligation and reallocation funds, for grants to projects on the FFY 1989 Clean Water Grant Priority List, after provision for those grant increases necessary to fulfill known written commitments for increased grant funding.
- 3. Approves use of up to \$11 million of the FFY 1989 federal allocation "as-needed" up to June 30, 1989, for providing any additional funding that may be necessary to fully fund the FFY 1989 grant projects. FFY 1989 funds are to be used only if there is a shortfall in FFY 1988 carry-over funds, deobligations and reallocations.
- 4. Approves the continuation of the \$25 million limit on the amount of federal grant funds that any one agency can receive for the period of October 1, 1987 to June 30, 1989, and directs segmentation as necessary to achieve this limit.
- 5. Approves use of any carry-over and deobligated funds remaining on July 1, 1989, and any subsequent deobligations and reallocations, for grant increases to existing grants in accordance with a policy to be approved by the Board.
- 6. Directs the staff to develop a new policy for issuing grant increases to be brought before the Board at the January workshop and Board meeting.
- 7. Ratifies the written commitments for grant increases made by staff before December 15, 1988.
- 8. Approves the set-aside of 20 percent of the FFY 1989 allotment for construction of new collector sewers and appurtenances only.
- 9. In accordance with the requirements of 208(d) of the Act, designates all agencies listed on the FFY 1989 Clean Water Grant Priority List as management agencies for the construction of treatment works and determines that the identified treatment works conform to an approved water quality management plan.

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 December 15, 1988.

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Administrative Assistant to the Board