### STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2001 - 095

# AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO NEGOTIATE, EXECUTE, AND AMEND CONTRACTS FOR THE AMBIENT SURFACE WATER QUALITY MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT PROGRAMS

#### WHEREAS:

The State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) budget provides baseline General Funds contract resources to support ambient water quality monitoring and assessment programs;

- 2. SWRCB Resolution 90-14 currently authorizes the Executive Director to execute and amend contracts up to \$200,000 without acquiring specific authorization by the SWRCB;
- 3. Several of the contracts for the Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP), trend monitoring, and coastal water quality monitoring and assessment programs are multi-year contracts and exceed \$200,000;
- 4. Streamlining the contracting process will enhance the ability of the RWQCBs to maintain ambient monitoring schedules and save considerable administrative time of the SWRCB and the RWQCB staffs;
- 5. Delegation of authority to spend ambient water quality monitoring and assessment contract funds to the Executive Director would not substantially infringe on the ability of the SWRCB to exercise judgment in regard to staff activities or remove any review and approval responsibility or discretion that the SWRCB may choose to exercise in regard to ambient water quality monitoring and assessment programs.

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The SWRCB authorizes the Executive Director or designee to negotiate, execute, and amend all contracts, interagency agreements, and intergovernmental agreements that support ambient water quality monitoring and assessment programs and do not exceed the programs' dedicated baseline allocations and spending authorities. Further, the contract term could be extended to five (5) years provided that the contract funds encumbered are expended in accordance with Government Code Section 16304 which specifies that General Funds must be expended within two (2) years following their encumbrance.

#### 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 August 16, 2001.

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