STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2011-0045

APPROVING PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING GRANTS FOR THE SANTA MONICA BAY RESTORATION COMMISSION (SMBRC) THROUGH THE PROPOSITION 50 COASTAL NON POINT SOURCE GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

- The Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50) designated funds specifically for implementation of priority actions in the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Plan (Plan);
- The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is authorized to administer the Proposition 50 funds for the SMBRC to implement priority actions in the Plan;
- 3. The SMBRC is committed to the restoration, conservation, cleanup, protection and enhancement of Santa Monica Bay and the wise use of the natural resources within its watersheds;
- 4. The SMBRC established project eligibility and grant priorities and solicited projects for placement on the Competitive Project List (CPL). On June 15, 2005, the State Water Board adopted <u>Resolution No. 2005-0042</u>, that adopted the SMBRC's Proposition 50 Competitive Project List (CPL), and authorized the Executive Director or the Chief of the Division of Financial Assistance (Division) to issue grants, contract, and amendments to implement the projects on the CPL;
- 5. The CPL included a grant award in the amount of \$2,850,000 to Heal the Bay for a Steelhead and Stream Restoration Project on Arroyo Sequit. Time constraints of the grant agreement and other issues caused the project to stall and the agreement was terminated without expenditure of any funds; and
- 6. The SMBRC and the California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR) staffs developed a new scope of work for completing this project in two phases. Phase 1 is proposed to be a grant to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation to conduct the planning, design, and permitting portions of the project, using \$300,000 of Prop 50 funds. The Project will include an analysis to determine the most cost-effective stream crossing design that complies with coastal zone environmental requirements. Phase 2 is proposed to be a grant to CDPR, using \$1,300,000 of Prop 50 funds to replace two in-stream crossings, and remove one check dam in order to open 4.5 miles of stream habitat to steelhead trout.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board:

1. Approves the revised Steelhead and Stream Restoration Project on Arroyo Sequit, as described above, for the Proposition 50 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Grant Program, and makes that eligible for funding;

- 2. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division to execute grants and amendments to implement the proposed projects; and
- Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division to execute grants and amendments to implement additional projects meeting the goals of the Plan and selected by the SMBRC until funding is exhausted.

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 September 19, 2011.

AYE:Chairman Charles R. Hoppin
Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber
Board Member Tam M. DoducNAY:NoneABSENT:NoneABSTAIN:None

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