

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-0008**

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE
TO ENTER INTO SUBVENTION CONTRACTS UP TO \$10,000,000
FOR DRINKING WATER LOCAL ASSISTANCE

WHEREAS:

1. The Capacity Development Technical Assistance Program (Program) for small water systems is mandated by the federal Safe Drinking Water Act;
2. The State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board's) federal Capitalization Grant could be reduced by 20% for non-compliance with this mandate;
3. The State Water Board currently administers the Program under subvention contracts with California Rural Water Association, Rural Communities Assistance Corporation and Self Help Enterprises to provide technical assistance;
4. The Program's technical assistance contracts have trained approximately 3,500 drinking water operators representing approximately 866 water systems, and provided direct technical assistance to approximately 275 water systems per year at a cost of \$2.7 million per year;
5. The need for technical assistance has increased under the new Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Policy with the increase in eligible project types; and
6. The proposed action supports the Human Right to Water because it will assist disadvantaged communities with obtaining safe drinking water.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director or designee to enter into subvention contracts up to \$10,000,000 for Drinking Water Local Assistance over a period of three years, with no single third party technical service provider receiving more than \$2,000,000 in any given fiscal year.

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 March 3, 2015.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus
 Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber
 Board Member Tam M. Doduc
 Board Member Steven Moore
 Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board