STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-0061

TO REALLOCATE $499,588 FROM THE CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ACCOUNT (CAA)
TO PROVIDE GRANT FUNDING TO THE KINGS RIVER WATERSHED COALITION
AUTHORITY TO SUPPORT AND FACILITATE CENTRAL VALLEY-WIDE SALT AND
NITRATE MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS:

1. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) awarded a total of $5 million from the CAA to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) in Resolution Nos. 2009-0023, 2010-0042, and 2012-0066 to conduct a multi-year project in support of the development of a salinity and nutrient management plan for the Central Valley.

2. The Acting Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance (DFA), pursuant to delegated authority, extended the availability of CAA funding for this multi-year project until December 1, 2018.

3. The Central Valley Water Board, in conjunction with the Central Valley Salinity Coalition (Coalition) and other stakeholders under the Central Valley Salinity Alternatives for Long-Term Sustainability (CV-SALTS) initiative, developed portions of the salt and nitrate management plan (SNMP) under CAA-funded contract nos. 09-076-150 and 11-123-555 with the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority.

4. On January 7, 2017, a Central Valley-wide SNMP was formally submitted by the CV-SALTS Executive Committee to the Central Valley Water Board.

5. The SNMP policies, strategies and guidance will be considered and may be incorporated into amendments to the Water Quality Control Plans for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basin and the Tulare Lake Basin.


7. The State Water Board and the Central Valley Water Board have an interest in assisting permittees begin early implementation of salt and nitrate management.

8. The Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority (KRWCA), a joint powers authority, has requested funding for salt and nitrate management with direct and indirect benefits to KRWCA and other permittees conducting management activities.

9. The Executive Committee of CV-SALTS and the Central Valley Water Board Executive Officer support the use of the remaining funds to facilitate salt and nitrate management.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Approves the allocation of $499,588 from the CAA for a grant to the KRWCA to assist in Central Valley-wide salt and nitrate management;

2. Authorizes the Deputy Director of DFA to execute a grant agreement with KRWCA and any amendments thereto for this project; and

3. Authorizes expenditure of the funds allocated for this project until December 31, 2021, and authorizes the Deputy Director or Assistant Deputy Director of DFA to authorize expenditure of the CAA funds beyond December 31, 2021.

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 October 17, 2017.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus
Vice Chair Steven Moore
Board Member Tam M. Doduc
Board Member Dorene D’Adamo
Board Member E. Joaquin Esquivel

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board