

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-0048**

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR AND ADMINISTER HAZARD
MITIGATION GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSES OF POST-FIRE RECOVERY PROJECTS**

WHEREAS:

1. Multiple wildfires have devastated communities and forested watersheds throughout California;
2. The Governor of California has declared a continued state of emergency in multiple counties throughout the State, including Lake, Siskiyou, Shasta, Mendocino, and Napa Counties (Governor's Exec. Order No. B-53-18 (August 9, 2018));
3. Increased erosion from burned areas can significantly impact streams and rivers that serve as sources of drinking water and increased sediment deposition can severely impact critical fisheries habitat;
4. The primary State agency responsible for coordinating emergency response to protect people, property, and public infrastructure is the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES);
5. Cal OES administers the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program;
6. Cal OES requires applicants to its Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to submit the Cal OES form 130 that designates an authorized agent for the purposes of applying for and administering the Hazard Mitigation Grant;
7. Funding and other resources are not always readily available for the implementation of urgent erosion control best management practices (BMPs);
8. It is in the interest of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to mitigate further devastation from wildfires by supporting qualified recipients in their efforts to expeditiously implement erosion control BMPs, where no other resources are available to fund such efforts;
9. Funding from Cal OES's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program can be used to fund implementation of erosion control BMPs; and
10. Authority under this resolution is universal and is effective for all open and futures Disasters/Grants up to three (3) years following the date of approval below

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Executive Director, or designee, is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the State Water Board, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, an application for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and to file it with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Service for the purpose of obtaining certain federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and
2. The State Water Board, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, hereby authorizes its agent(s) to provide to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Service for all matters pertaining to such state disaster assistance the assurances and agreements required.

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 2, 2018.

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