

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-0020**

**APPROVING ADJUSTMENTS TO FUNDING ALLOCATIONS AS A RESULT OF
REDUCTIONS TO THE BUDGET ACT OF 2021 DRINKING WATER AND
WASTEWATER GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS**

WHEREAS:

1. The Budget Act of 2021 (Senate Bill 129), Provision 1 of Item 3940-106-0001, appropriated \$1.3 billion from the General Fund, consisting of \$650 million for drinking water projects and \$650 million for wastewater projects, to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), with an encumbrance deadline of June 30, 2024;
2. Authorities regarding the ongoing administration of these drinking water and wastewater funds are addressed annually as part of the process to adopt the [Drinking Water State Revolving Fund \(DWSRF\)](#) and [Clean Water State Revolving Fund \(CWSRF\)](#) Intended Use Plans (IUPs), which act as guidelines for complementary funding from the General Fund;
3. A portion of the drinking water funds may also be administered consistent with the [Expedited Drinking Water Grant Program](#) Guidelines adopted by the Board per [Resolution No. 2023-0006](#) on March 8, 2023;
4. The Budget Act of 2023 (Assembly Bill 102) added Item 3940-495-0001, which reverted to the General Fund \$200 million of the amount appropriated for drinking water projects and wastewater projects in Provision 1 of Item 3940-106-001 of the Budget Act of 2021;
5. To help ensure that safe drinking water needs can continue to be met timely, staff are recommending allocating the \$200 million reduction in a way that has a relatively smaller impact on drinking water needs; and
6. As directed by the State Water Board in [Resolution No. 2016-0010](#), the proposed actions will support the human right to water by providing financial and administrative assistance to improve access to, and the quality of, drinking water in disadvantaged communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Approves adjustments to the Budget Act of 2021 Drinking Water and Wastewater General Fund allocations as follows consistent with the

\$200 million reduction outlined in Item 3940-495-0001 of the Budget Act of 2023: (a) \$50 million reduction for Drinking Water, and (b) \$150 million reduction for wastewater; and

2. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance to continue administering the balances remaining after applying the above reductions, including the following: approve funding requests, execute agreements and amendments, and to perform all acts and to do all things necessary and convenient to implement such agreements pursuant to relevant Board direction and statutory requirements.

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 July 18, 2023.

AYE: Chair E. Joaquin Esquivel
Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo
Board Member Sean Maguire
Board Member Laurel Firestone
Board Member Nichole Morgan

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



Courtney Tyler
Clerk to the Board