Water Right and Water Quality Certification Fees

FY 2006-2007

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Governor's Budget for Water Rights

Water Right Program Budget for FY06-07

Total Budget-	\$13.794 million
» Federal Trust Fund-	<u>\$ 0.148 million</u>
» Tobacco Tax Fund-	\$ 0.210 million
» General Fund-	\$ 1.169 million
» Water Right Fund-	\$ 12.267 million

Water Right Fund (WRF) Budget

Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Budget

- » State Water Board -
- » State Board of Equalization -
- » CalEPA -

- \$11.821 million
- \$ 0.412 million
 - \$ 0.034 million
- » Loan from USTCF to WRF- (-\$ 2.320 million)
- » Post-Budget Additional Cost \$0.525 million* Total FY 06-07 WRF Budget- \$10.472 million

* Estimated allocation of unallocated appropriation for employee compensation

FY 06-07 Amount required from Fees

Total Adjusted WRF Budget -\$10.472 millionCredit for FY 2005-06 Fees -(-\$1.128 million)Reserve for Economic Uncertainty -\$0.700 million

- Amount Req. from Fees = 10.044 million
- Non-Payment of Annual Fees for FY05-06 was about 5%
- Divide by 0.95 for non-payment adjustment: Billing Amount – 0.05(Billing Amount) = Required Amount
- Billing Amount needed is \$10.573 million

Revenue from Proposed Billing and Estimated Filing Fees

Est. Filing Fee Revenue Application Annual FeesPetition Annual Fees 401 Cert Annual Fees Permit & License Total Amount -

\$ 0.652 M \$ 0.233 M \$ 0.211 M \$ 0.841 M \$ 8.189 M \$ 10.126 M

CHANGES TO REGULATIONS

Increase in Annual Fees for Permits, Licenses, and certain pending Applications :

- Annual Fee – change from \$100 plus \$0.03 per acre-foot above 10 acre-feet to \$100 + \$0.036 per acre-foot above 10 acre-feet

 Increase in Annual Fees for Projects under 401 Certification review for FERC licensing:
Annual Fee – change from \$1,000 plus \$0.13 per

kilowatt to \$1,000 plus \$0.20 per kilowatt

 Increase in Annual Fees for Projects issued FERC licenses pursuant to 401 certification:
-Annual Fee – change from \$100 plus \$0.01 per kilowatt to \$200 plus \$0.04 per kilowatt

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CHANGES TO REGULATIONS (continued)

- Discount Filing Fee for Application for Temporary Permit filed under Water Code §1425
 - 50 percent of the Application Fee or \$2,000, whichever is greater; \$1,000 for a small hydroelectric generating facility
- Increase the maximum Filing fees for Applications, Petitions and Transfers:
 - Application Filing Fee -from \$410,000 to \$445,000
 - Petition Filing Fee from \$5,150 to \$5,575
 - Transfer Filing Fee from \$410,000 to \$445,000

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Proposed Fee Schedule

See Handout

Proposed Time Schedule

- 9/21/2006 Board Meeting to consider adoption of Regulations
- 10/16 10/23- BOE Billing of Annual Fees
- Petitions for Reconsideration of Fees due to the State Water Board 30 days after Billing date