STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
APRIL 15, 2008

ITEM 3

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED FUNDING FOR REGULATORY OVERSIGHT OF CLEANUP AT DEPARTMENT OF NAVY FACILITIES

DISCUSSION

The State Water Resources Control Board and Regional Water Quality Control Boards (California Water Boards) and the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) oversees cleanup at approximately 63 Department of Navy (DON) facilities in California. California Water Boards are the lead agencies for oversight of petroleum cleanups at all DON facilities. Regional Water Boards are lead agencies for non-petroleum cleanup at 18 facilities based on a 1997 agreement to identify a lead oversight agency for non-petroleum cleanups in order to reduce regulatory overlap.

At the request of the DON, the State Water Board and the DTSC enter into separate Cooperative Agreements for oversight of cleanup activities at DON facilities in California. The previous two-year Cooperative Agreement with the DON terminates at the end of this fiscal year. An amended Cooperative Agreement, for Fiscal Year 2008-2009, with the DON is necessary to continue funding for oversight at these DON facilities.

POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Board authorize continued funding for oversight of cleanups at DON facilities?

FISCAL IMPACT

The California Water Boards staff work associated with or resulting from this action can be accomplished within budgeted resources.

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

Yes, all Regional Water Boards, with the exception of the Central Coast Water Board.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director or designee to enter into a one-year Cooperative Agreement with the DON for oversight of the cleanup of Navy facilities for an amount not to exceed $5 million.
AUTHORIZING CONTINUED FUNDING FOR REGULATORY OVERSIGHT OF CLEANUP AT DEPARTMENT OF NAVY FACILITIES

WHEREAS:

1. Department of the Navy Cooperative Agreements provide reimbursement for regulatory oversight by the California Water Boards at all Navy facilities.

2. A new one-year Cooperative Agreement will ensure funding is available for continued California Water Board oversight at the Department of Navy facilities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director or designee to sign a Cooperative Agreement with the Department of the Navy for reimbursement of regulatory oversight at all Navy facilities for an amount not to exceed $5 million.

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 April 15, 2008.

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board