STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD MEETING SESSION - DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE JUNE 5, 2012

ITEM 5

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLEAN BEACHES TASK FORCE (CBTF) MEMBERS

DISCUSSION

The CBTF was established when AB 2534 (Stats. 2002, Ch. 727) appropriated \$46 million from the *California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002* (Proposition 40) to the Clean Beaches Program (Pub. Resources Code, § 30915 et seq.). AB 2534 required the State Water Board to appoint a CBTF that represents the "breadth and diversity" of California's coastal communities to review and recommend projects to the State Water Board for funding from Proposition 40. The State Water Board appointed the first CBTF in Resolution 2003-0003 for the period beginning January 1, 2003 and ending December 31, 2006, and extended the terms of appointment to June 30, 2010, through adoption of Resolution 2006-0072.

The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) authorized an additional \$90 million for protection of beaches, bays and coastal waters pursuant to the Clean Beaches Program (Pub. Resources Code, § 75060, subd. (g).). Of the \$90 million authorized by Proposition 84, \$35 million was allocated for grants to assist agency compliance with the discharge prohibition into Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS), and \$18 million was available for the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission (SMBRC). To assist with the administration of Proposition 84 and ensure appropriate expertise on the CBTF, additional members with expertise in ASBS and Santa Monica Bay Restoration were added to the CBTF. Resolution 2007-0062, adopted by the State Water Board on October 2, 2007, added ten (10) individuals to the CBTF with ASBS expertise, and extended the term of the entire CBTF to June 30, 2012. The State Water Board, in Resolution 2008-0059, added members to the CBTF with expertise in water quality issues in Santa Monica Bay. The term of service for these individuals was from September 2, 2008 to June 30, 2011.

The Division of Financial Assistance (Division) is preparing to solicit additional Clean Beaches and ASBS projects. The SMBRC also has additional funds to award. The terms of appointment for all members of the CBTF must be extended to allow the CBTF to review and recommend projects to the State Water Board for funding. Some members are newly appointed to the CBTF as replacements for individuals who can no longer serve as members. Although the CBTF advises the State Water Board on three separate grant programs, individual members may assist with one, two or all three programs. To accommodate this arrangement, the CBTF may establish sub-committees of task force members with specific expertise (e.g. ASBS, or Santa Monica Bay) to make decisions on behalf of the entire CBTF for the different grant programs. The proposed members of the CBTF, and their areas of expertise are included in Exhibit A.

The term of appointment of the CBTF will be July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016. The Deputy Director of the Division may extend the term of the CBTF if Clean Beaches funding remains after June 30, 2016. The Deputy Director of the Division may appoint additional members to the CBTF as needed. Members of the CBTF may designate an alternate to fulfill their CBTF responsibilities.

POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Board

- 1. Appoint and/or re-appoint the individuals listed in Exhibit A to the CBTF for the term of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016?
- 2. Authorize the Deputy Director of the Division to extend the term of CBTF appointments if Clean Beaches funding remains after June 30, 2016? and
- 3. Authorize the Deputy Director of the Division to appoint additional CBTF members as needed?

FISCAL IMPACT

The CBTF members are not paid for their service. The CBTF meets approximately four to six times per year. Travel expenses for members of the CBTF will not be reimbursed because the administrative funds for this purpose have been expended.

REGIONAL WATER QUALITY BOARD IMPACT

Yes, Coastal Regions.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the State Water Board

- Appoints and/or re-appoints the individuals listed in Exhibit A to the CBTF for the term of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016;
- 2. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division to extend the term of CBTF appointments if Clean Beaches funding remains after June 30, 2016; and
- 3. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division to appoint additional CBTF members as needed.

State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goal 1 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012 to implement strategies to fully support the beneficial uses for all 2006 listed water bodies by 2030. Approval of this item will: (1) manage urban runoff volume to reduce pollutant loadings, (2) reduce wet weather beach postings, and (3) eliminate dry weather beach closures and postings.

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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2012-

APPOINTING CLEAN BEACHES TASK FORCE (CBTF) MEMBERS

WHEREAS:

- The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is required to appoint a CBTF (Pub. Resources Code, § 30915 et seq.) that represents the "breadth and diversity" of California's coastal communities, to review and recommend projects to the State Water Board for funding;
- 2. The State Water Board previously appointed individuals to the CBTF for the Clean Beaches Initiative (CBI) Grant Program, the Proposition 84 Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS) Grant Program, and the Proposition 84 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission (SMBRC) Grant Program;
- 3. The State Water Board has additional CBI, ASBS and SMBRC funds to award.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

- 1. Appoints and/or re-appoints the individuals listed in Exhibit A to the CBTF for the term of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016;
- 2. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance (Division) to extend the term of CBTF appointments if Clean Beaches funding remains after June 30, 2016; and
- 3. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division to appoint additional CBTF members as needed.

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 June 5, 2012.

Jeanine Townsend Clerk to the Board