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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2019-

DELEGATING AUTHORITIES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF \$130 MILLION ALLOCATED FROM THE BUDGET ACT OF 2019 FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SAFE AND AFFORDABLE DRINKING WATER PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

- The Budget Act of 2019 (Assembly Bill (AB) 74) Items 3940-102-0001 and 3940-102-3228 appropriated \$30 million from the General Fund and \$100 million from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, respectively, to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) for "support or local assistance to fund grants, loans, contracts, or services to help water systems provide safe and affordable drinking water";
- The Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) is working with the Division of Drinking Water (DDW), the Department of General Services (DGS), environmental justice (EJ) groups, and other stakeholders to develop an implementation plan for the State Water Boards consideration in June 2020;
- 3. During the first year of implementation, DFA staff anticipate that the majority of the funding will be awarded through grants and contracts with assistance providers to provide interim solutions and begin necessary planning work toward long-term solutions;
- Grant agreements may also be awarded in accordance with terms outlined in the state fiscal year 2019/2020 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Intended Use Plan (IUP), or with the Cleanup and Abatement Account Funding Program Guidelines; and
- 5. As directed by the State Water Board in <u>Resolution No. 2016-0010</u>, the proposed actions will support the human right to water by providing financial assistance to water systems to improve the access to, and the quality of, their drinking water.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

 Authorizes the Deputy Director of DFA, or his or her designee, to approve or deny funding up to \$130 million, without limitation on funding amount per project or program, for projects or programs consistent with AB 74; and to execute agreements and amendments thereto to disburse funds for such projects or programs; and to perform all acts and to do all things necessary and convenient to facilitate the implementation of such agreements.

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2. Authorizes the Executive Director, or his or her designee, or the Deputy Director of DFA, or his or her designee, to execute contracts and amendments, without limitation on funding amount per project or program, for projects or programs consistent with AB 74; and to perform all the acts and implement all measures necessary to fulfill the objectives of such contracts.

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 Board held on August 20, 2019.

Jeanine Townsend Clerk to the Board