## NORTH COAST REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. R1-2023-0027

## DELEGATION OF POWERS AND DUTIES TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Whereas, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region (North Coast Water Board) finds that:

- 1. Water Code section 13220 subdivision (c), provides that a regional water quality control board is authorized to appoint an Executive Officer.
- 2. Water Code section 13223 subdivision (a) provides that a Regional Water Quality Control Board may delegate any of its powers and duties to its Executive Officer except the following:
  - a. The promulgation of any regulations;
  - b. The issuance, modification, or revocation of any water quality control plan, water quality objectives, or waste discharge requirements;
  - c. The issuance, modification, or revocation of any cease and desist order;
  - d. The holding of any hearing on water quality control plans; and
  - e. The application to the Attorney General for judicial enforcement but excluding cases of specific delegation in a cease and desist order and excluding the cases described in subdivision (c) of Section 13002 and 13304 and 13340.
- 3. In Resolution R1-2012-0062, the North Coast Water Board delegated all powers and duties to Executive Officer, Matthias St.John, subject to the exceptions in Water Code section 13223, subdivision (a).
- 4. The North Coast Water Board appointed Valerie Quinto as its Executive Officer effective January 17, 2023.
- 5. Water Code section 7 permits the delegation of any power granted to the Executive Officer to a deputy of the officer, unless the delegation is legally prohibited.
- 6. In Resolution R1-2014-0057, the North Coast Water Board expressly approved the designation of the Assistant Executive Officer to perform the duties of the Executive Officer in the Executive Officer's absence and assume the duties delegated to the Assistant Executive Officer by the Executive Officer. This delegation is not intended to affect that designation.

## Therefore, be it resolved that:

- 1. The North Coast Water Board hereby delegates to its Executive Officer, under the general direction and control of the Board, all of the powers and duties of the Board under Division 7 of the California Water Code except those specified in Section 13223 subdivision (a);
- 2. This resolution supersedes prior resolution 2012-0062, delegating powers and duties to its prior Executive Officer Matthias St. John;
- 3. Any previous actions taken by the Executive Officer pursuant to delegated authority are unaffected by this resolution and remain in effect;
- 4. This delegation expressly includes the authority to issue final Administrative Civil Liability Orders where no hearing is required;
- The Executive Officer is hereby directed to certify and submit copies of this Resolution to agencies and individuals as appropriate and as requested.

## Certification

I, Valerie Quinto, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, on April 6, 2023.

Valerie Quinto Executive Officer