STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2019-0033

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE A REVISED MANAGEMENT AGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PESTICIDE REGULATION

WHEREAS:

- 1. The existing Management Agency Agreement (MAA) and Pesticide Management Plan for Water Quality (Implementation Plan) were signed in 1996 (1996 MAA) as the Water Boards and the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) have responsibilities to protect water quality from the adverse effects of pesticides.
- 2. The 1996 MAA and the companion Implementation Plan were developed to coordinate interaction, facilitate communication, promote problem solving, and ultimately assure the protection of water quality.
- 3. A minor modification of the 1996 MAA was agreed to by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and DPR staff to clarify VIII: "Dispute and Conflict Resolution Procedures-B. Formal Procedures" and necessitated requesting the State Water Board to adopt a resolution approving the amendment.
- On February 20, 1997 the State Water Board approved the minor amendment and directed the Executive Director to sign the amended MAA (1997 MAA) on behalf of the State Water Board. <u>Resolution No. 97-016</u> approved the amended 1997 MAA and replaced the existing 1996 MAA.
- 5. In 2003, the Process for Responding to the Presence of Pesticides in Surface Water (Process for Responding) was developed to provide a framework to cooperatively respond to the presence of pesticides in surface water.
- 6. In 2012, an Executive Charter (Charter) was developed to improve communication at the management level.
- 7. The 1997 MAA provides that the MAA may be modified upon the initiative of either the Water Boards or DPR for the purposes of assuring the protection of water quality consistently with state and federal statutes or regulations, or for any other purposes mutually agreed upon.
- 8. In response to increased involvement between the agencies over the years, staff from the Water Boards and DPR determined that these documents needed to be revised and combined.

- 9. Water Board and DPR staff have met multiple times over the last two years to revise the 1997 MAA and the associated documents, creating the 2019 MAA and Implementation Plan (includes all previous auxiliary documents).
- 10. All State Water Board Executive Management and Regional Water Board Executive Officers (collectively the Management Coordination Committee or MCC) indicated their support for approval of the 2019 MAA and Implementation Plan as written at a meeting held on March 25, 2019.
- 11. The execution of the 2019 MAA and Implementation Plan is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.) because it is not an action which may cause either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

- 1. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to approve the attached 2019 MAA and Implementation Plan.
- 2. Further authorizes the Executive Director to execute future revisions to the 2019 MAA between the State Water Board and DPR.

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 June 18, 2019

- AYE: Chair E. Joaquin Esquivel Board Member Tam M. Doduc Board Member Laurel Firestone
- NAY: None
- ABSENT: Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo Board Member Sean Maguire
- ABSTAIN: None

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