STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2019-0036

TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE A FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY OF OXNARD (CITY) WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EMERGENCY REPAIRS PROJECT (PROJECT) AUTHORIZED BY THE BUDGET ACT OF 2018

WHEREAS:

- 1. The State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) Division of Financial Assistance (Division) provides funding to implement water quality improvement projects;
- 2. The Budget Act of 2018 (Senate Bill 840 (Stats. 2018, Ch. 29)) appropriated funding to the State Water Board for the City's Project in the amount of \$9,500,000;
- 3. The Deputy Director of the Division has not been delegated the authority to enter into a financing agreement with the City;
- The City is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has complied with CEQA Guidelines by preparing a Notice of Exemption (NOE) for the Project;
- 5. The City adopted the NOE on June 11, 2018;
- 6. The City filed a NOE for the Project with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse (No. 2019018285) on January 16, 2019 and the Ventura County Clerk on June 18, 2018;
- 7. The State Water Board is a responsible agency under CEQA. A responsible agency complies with CEQA by considering the NOE prepared by the lead agency and by reaching its own conclusions on whether and how to approve the Project involved. The State Water Board has independently considered the NOE, and is making the following determinations:
 - a. The Project is categorically exempt under the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15301 and 15303, because the Project consists of minor alterations of existing structures and construction of limited numbers of new small structures.
 - b. The Project will not result in any significant adverse water quality impacts; and

8. A copy of the NOE is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento CA 95814.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division to enter into a financing agreement with the City for the Project in an amount up to \$9,500,000.

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 July 16, 2019.

AYE: Chair E. Joaquin Esquivel Board Member Tam M. Doduc Board Member Sean Maguire Board Member Laurel Firestone

NAY: None

ABSENT: Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo

ABSTAIN: None

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