

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
WORKSHOP SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
JUNE 1, 2005

ITEM 7

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND GRANTS FROM AND EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 9 (U.S. EPA)

DISCUSSION

The U. S. EPA is offering up to \$1,000,000 to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) from the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Trust Fund over the next three (3) years beginning in Federal Fiscal Year 2006. The major activities include:

1. Participate in the annual Certified Unified Public Agencies/UST Conference that is attended by public agencies, UST owners/operators, and industry;
2. Oversee compliance monitoring and enforcement activities at the local agency level; and
3. Provide various UST training courses such as Health and Safety, UST Installation, UST Removal, Leak Detection, Corrosion Protection, and Enforcement.

POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Board authorize the Executive Director, or her designee, to accept the UST grants and any subsequent amendments or fund augmentations, from U. S. EPA?

FISCAL IMPACT

An amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 in Federal UST grant funds will be made available over the next three (3) years. There is a 25 percent state match requirement that will be funded out of the Unified Program Account.

RWQCB IMPACT

The State Water Board and the California Regional Water Quality Control Boards' staff work associated with or resulting from this action can be accomplished within budgeted resources.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the State Water Board adopt the proposed resolution authorizing the Executive Director to accept the UST grants and any subsequent amendments or fund augmentations, from U.S. EPA.

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May 13, 2005

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2005-

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WHEREAS:

1. The U. S. EPA is offering the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) up to \$1,000,000 over the next three (3) federal fiscal years (FFY) beginning in FFY 2006 to fund activities in the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program; and
2. The UST grant will augment the State UST Program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The State Water Board authorize the Executive Director to accept the UST grants and any amendments thereto for carryover or uncommitted funds; and
2. Authorize the Executive Director to execute a Cooperative Agreement with U. S. EPA.

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 16, 2005.

Debbie Irvin
Clerk to the Board