

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 88-2

APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE SOUTH BAY MULTI-SITE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT (MSCA) BETWEEN THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD (STATE BOARD) AND THE U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA), REGION 9 FROM JANUARY 1, 1988 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1989

WHEREAS:

1. The issue of ground water contamination and the need for remedial action and cleanup in the South Bay area is of critical importance in relation to the threat this situation poses to beneficial uses of ground water especially in regard to human health.
2. The South Bay is part of a large area where approximately 1.5 million residents rely on ground water to supply 50 percent of their drinking water.
3. The EPA, Region 9 has requested cooperation from the State Board and the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, (San Francisco Bay Regional Board) in implementing the South Bay MSCA program. EPA, Region 9 also supports amendment of the program through June 30, 1989 to complete scheduled work projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the State Board has reviewed the November 30, 1987 MSCA workplan proposed for January 1 through December 31, 1988 and approves the amendment of the program through June 30, 1989 with the following conditions:
 - a. Renew the South Bay MSCA grant for 18 months (January 1, 1988 through June 30, 1989) with the provision that the State Board will review the MSCA activities every six months. These reviews will evaluate project performance, problems encountered, and accomplishments. If evaluation results are considered acceptable by the State Board, the program can proceed as planned; if evaluation results are unacceptable, the State Board may modify the program or cancel the grant agreement after giving EPA 60 days notice. The first review will be conducted in June, 1988 and will be completed before July 1, 1988.

- b. Implement community involvement (Program Element D) as described in the workplan. However, if the contract for this element is not executed and if the program is not ready to function satisfactorily by June 1, 1988 based on State Board evaluation, it will be discontinued and transferred back to EPA, Region 9.
- c. Emphasize cleanup tasks (Task E2) and minimize auxiliary and coordination tasks. Specifically, on page III-23 of the workplan:
 - o Potentially Responsible Party Search and Data Validation will be contracted out and require minimal input by San Francisco Bay Regional Board technical staff to operate.
 - o Public Health Evaluation will be contracted out and the work tasks will be clearly defined in the Request for Proposal (RFP), including who will be making decisions on health impacts and the fact that neither State nor Regional Board staff will participate in health or toxicological assessments.
 - o Maintenance of the Administrative Record and Negotiation and Adoption of Consent Orders will be conducted only as necessary.
 - o Cost recovery will not be implemented during this phase of the grant.
- 2. That the State Board authorize the Executive Director or his designee to execute an agreement with EPA, Region 9 to renew the grant for the South Bay MSCA, for the period January 1, 1988 through June 30, 1989.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Administrative Assistant 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 January 6, 1988.


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