

## **Approval of an Amended Reimbursable Interagency Agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board**

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**Requested Action:** Approve amendment of a reimbursable agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) increasing the amount from \$410,000 to \$510,000 and extending the term of the agreement to June 30, 2021.

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### **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the Council approve an amendment to a reimbursable Interagency Agreement (12-114-300) with the SWRCB increasing the amount from \$410,000 to \$510,000 and extending the term to June 30, 2021. This agreement funds independent scientific reviews and workshops supporting Board actions related to water management and water quality in the Delta.

The Executive Officer has delegated authority up to \$500,000 to enter into contracts and interagency agreements on the Council's behalf. Because this interagency "reimbursable" agreement with the proposed amendment would exceed that amount, the Council must approve the amended agreement.

### **Background**

Pursuant to its mission to provide the provide the best possible unbiased scientific information to inform water and environmental decision making in the Delta, the Council's Delta Science Program was engaged by the SWRCB to provide independent scientific review and workshop services. These services are consistent with the Delta Science Plan and appendices. This agreement has provided funding for the following Delta Science Program reviews and workshops:

- Independent Panel Recommendations for Determining Instream Flows
- Workshop on Delta Outflows and Related Stressors
- Workshop on the Interior Delta Flows and Related Stressors

Current and future work funded by this agreement will include workshops and reviews covering topics such as:

- Review of Proposed Instream Flow Methods
- Sacramento River Temperature Modeling Workshop
- Review of Delta Flow Estimation Methods
- Nutrient Stoichiometry Workshop
- Hydrologic Modeling Reviews

This amended agreement was approved by the SWRCB at its Jan. 19, 2016 meeting.

**Budget Summary**

Council Staff	\$67,257
Indirect Costs	\$20,177
Operating Expenses	\$9,216
Subcontracts	\$413,350
Total	\$510,000

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