**Board of Water Resources (BWRe) Policy Regarding Reducing Funds Committed**

**Approved**

After the BWRe commits funds for a project, if bids come in less than the cost estimate and the applicant wishes to contract or bond for a reduced amount, BWRe will allow the Division of Water Resources staff to modify the amount and repayment terms. Staff must work within the BWRe’s guidelines, and usual practices, but will be allowed to contract or bond for a reduced amount without returning to the BWRe for re-committal of funds. Staff will prepare a report for the BWRe stating the actual amount of the contract or bond, and the modified repayment terms that apply.