



Leveraged funding is a key program goal in the Safe, Clean Water Program Implementation Ordinance (Chapter 18.04). Watershed Coordinators play a supporting role in “identify[ing] potential partners and additional sources of funding to augment and leverage SCW Program revenues” for Safe, Clean Water Regional Program projects (Chapter 18.07). This funding report provides a landscape overview of recent funding policy highlights and shares currently active and upcoming funding opportunities that may be relevant to Safe, Clean Water Program infrastructure projects.

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POLICY HIGHLIGHTS

Federal Highlights

On March 11, 2024, President Biden released the [proposed Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2025 Budget](#) to Congress, which outlines funding priorities for the federal FY. The FY25 proposed budget “requests \$11 billion in discretionary budget authority for 2025, an \$858 million or 8.4-percent increase from the 2023 level” towards [the United States Environmental Protection Agency \(US EPA\)](#). The US EPA oversees various climate, air, water, and environmental justice funding programs, such as the Drinking Water and Clean Water/Wastewater State Revolving Funds (SRFs). The FY25 proposed budget “provides a total of \$2.4 billion for the [SRFs] for drinking water and wastewater infrastructure, an increase of more than \$1 billion over the 2023 enacted level for those programs.” An increase in the SRF would be valuable to the California Clean Water SRF (CWSRF), because in 2025/2026 the CWSRF is [not funding any new projects](#) in order to catch up on backlog. For more information, see “California State Water Resources Control Board’s CWSRF” section below.

The proposed FY25 budget is the beginning of the annual budget cycle, outlining the President’s funding priorities and providing a baseline to be used by the United States House of Representatives and Senate in their decision-making processes. The federal FY25 begins on October 1, 2024 and ends on September 30, 2025. Between now and October 1, Congress will draft its own spending proposals and must come to an agreement to avoid a government shutdown.

The proposed FY budget complements significant investments already allocated from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (also referenced as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act) and the Inflation Reduction Act passed in 2021 and 2022, respectively.

State Highlights

Similar to the federal government, the State of California is also in the process of developing their FY25 budget. Numerous state policies and programs may be impacted by the upcoming FY state budget. As mentioned in the previous Q3 Funding Report, California Governor Newsom released the [proposed FY 2024-25 proposed budget](#) on January 10, 2024. The Governor’s FY24-25 proposed budget will manage a statewide budget shortfall of \$37.9 billion through funding reductions, delays, shifts, and reversions. Numerous analyses and reports, such as those prepared by the [California Legislative Analyst Office \(LAO\)](#), have since been developed to further understand the implications of the proposed budget and deficits. The proposed budget will undergo revisions and the new FY budget will be implemented beginning July 1, 2024. California’s FY25 begins on July 1, 2024 and ends on June 30, 2025.

In order to maximize the potential for success, it is important to stay apprised of legislative trends and funding opportunities, how they interact with one another, and most importantly, how they may affect an applicant’s eligibility or a project’s development and cost.



ACTIVE & ONGOING FUNDING OPPORTUNITES

The programs highlighted below are potential funding opportunities that may be the most relevant to Safe, Clean Water Program projects. These programs are currently open and accepting applications, updated through March 29, 2024. See the attached funding matrix for a more extensive list of relevant funding opportunities.

CAL FIRE's California Urban and Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act Grants awards IRA funding from the US Department of Agriculture (USDA). In 2023, the USDA Urban and Community Forestry Program awarded \$1.5 billion to states, projects, and national initiatives that support urban communities via the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). Through this IRA grant solicitation, CAL FIRE and the USDA Forest Service are competitively awarding \$30.8 million for urban and community forestry initiatives in disadvantaged or low-income urban communities through six grant types, each with their own specific project eligibility and reporting requirements. Eligible project phases range from technical assistance, planning, and implementation. More information can be found in the grant guidelines.

- 1) Urban Forest Expansion and Improvement: \$150,000 - \$1,500,000
- 2) Urban Forest Management Activities: \$150,000 - \$1,500,000
- 3) Urban Forestry Education and Workforce Development: \$150,000 - \$1,500,000
- 4) Urban Forestry Regional or Statewide Impact: \$150,000 - \$3,000,000
- 5) Urban Forest Equity Capacity Building: \$150,000 - \$1,500,000
- 6) Green Schoolyards: \$150,000 - \$1,500,000

State and local governments are eligible applicants. 100% of the funds awarded through this grant should be spent on “projects providing direct, meaningful, and assured benefits within urban priority populations, [including low-income and disadvantaged communities].” **The grant application is due on May 30, 2024.** The period of performance must conclude by March 31, 2028 and final project invoices/progress reports are due by April 30, 2028. There is no cost share requirement.

Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project's Community Wetland Restoration Grant Program (CWRGP) provides funding for community-based restoration projects in coastal wetlands and along coastal stream corridors in the Southern California region. The program aims to build local capacity to plan and implement wetland restoration projects, promote community involvement in wetland restoration activities, and foster education about wetland ecosystems. Eligible projects must restore wetland or wetland-associated habitat and involve the community in restoration implementation. Projects must include educational and community involvement as strong components of the project.

Eligible applicants include government agencies, nonprofit organizations, federally recognized Tribes, and non-profit or public universities. The CWRGP is particularly interested in funding projects in the priority area located within 1.5 miles of the main stem or tributary of the Lower Los Angeles River corridor. Projects located in the priority area can request a grant amount of up to \$150,000. Project applicants outside of this region may request a grant amount up to \$100,000. The average grant amount awarded will range between \$30,000 - \$100,000. The period of performance is a maximum 2.5 years and projects should be completed by October 1, 2027. **The grant application is due on May 18, 2024.** The Program anticipates awarding a total of \$580,000 in funding to 5-8 projects. There is no cost share requirement.

US EPA's Community Change Grant (CCG) Program is the US EPA's largest funding program coming out of the IRA, with approximately \$2 billion in funding. The CCG will support comprehensive community and place-based approaches to address environmental and climate injustices for communities facing legacy pollution, climate change, and persistent disinvestment. These concentrated local investments will fund community-driven, change-making projects that center collaborative efforts for healthier, safer, and more prosperous communities. Two funding tracks are available: Track I – Community-Driven Investments for Change and Track II – Meaningful Engagement for Equitable Governance. Track I grant awards will



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range from \$10-20 million and Track II awards will range from \$1-3 million. Eligible entities include a partnership between two community-based organizations (CBOs) or a partnership between a CBO and a federally recognized Tribe, local government, or higher education institution. The grant opened November 21, 2023 and will be **accepting applications on a rolling basis through November 21, 2024** or earlier, when all funds are awarded. The period of performance cannot exceed three years and all funds must be awarded by September 30, 2026. There are no cost-share requirements. Given the rolling deadline and strong interest in this program, it is recommended that interested applicants start identifying projects and beginning applications no later than early summer 2024.

Integrated Climate Adaptation & Resiliency Program's (ICARP) Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Grant Program funds planning and implementation projects that reduce the impacts of extreme heat and build community resilience. Administered by the California Office of Planning and Research, the Program will build frameworks for change and invest in local, regional, and Tribal projects that strengthen communities that are vulnerable to heat. The ICARP Program plans to award a total of \$36 million in grants for the first funding round, with 40% of total funds allocated to planning grants and 60% of total funds for implementation grants. The ICARP Program's funding categories are: Small Planning Grants (\$100,000 and \$250,000), Large Planning Grants (\$300,000 and \$750,000), Small Implementation Grants (\$100,000 and \$450,000), and Large Implementation Grants (\$500,000 and \$5 million).

Implementation grants may fall under four tracks: Track A) Build Public Awareness and Notification, Track B) Strengthen Community Services and Response, Track C) Increase Resilience of Our Built Environment, and Track D) Utilize Nature-based Solutions. **Applicants must first complete the pre-application interest form to receive access to the full application. Both the pre-application and full application are due April 23, 2024.** The program plans to award \$20 million during Round 1 of funding. There is no cost-share requirement.

US EPA's Healthy Watershed Consortium (HWC) Grant Program aims to fund projects that continue efforts to accelerate and expand the strategic protection of healthy freshwater, estuarine, and marine ecosystems and their watersheds across the country. This grant program will advance the protection of healthy watersheds by supporting an array of projects to build watershed protection capacity and support actions to protect healthy watersheds. The US EPA is currently soliciting applications for a cooperative agreement to fund a single grantee to manage the Healthy Watershed Consortium Grant Program, and issue subawards on a competitive basis. **SCW Program projects would be potential subawardees.** Eligible subawardees include non-profit organizations, federally recognized Tribes, and state and local governments. Subawardee project types include: 1) Healthy Watershed Protection High-Impact Demonstration Projects; 2) Healthy Watershed Protection Capacity-Building Projects. Eligible projects should be demonstration projects with new or experimental components.

Funding for each subaward under the cooperative agreement should have a project period of two to three years and range from \$50,000 to \$150,000 per project. **The grant application for the cooperative agreement is due on May 10, 2024.** The selected grantee will then prepare and advertise a national subaward competition.

California Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) General Grants funds planning, implementation, acquisition, technical assistance, and scientific study projects that provide one or more of the following benefits: 1) Protect or enhanced biodiversity; 2) Climate change resiliency and connectivity; 3) Support State Wildlife Action Plan priority habitats; 4) Conserved or enhanced working landscapes; 5) Conserved or enhanced water-related projects; and 6) Enhanced public access. The **application cycle is continuous**, and it is recommended that applicants first consult WCB staff prior to completing a Pre-Application. Award amounts vary based on current available funds and the application pool. Funding amounts are determined by the WCB voting board and grants manager. There is no cost-share requirement.



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[Los Angeles County Regional Parks and Open Space District's \(RPOSD\) Community-Based Park Investment - Measure A Annual Allocations Grant Program](#) funds development, acquisition, planning, and design projects that promote community-based park investments. Project types can include but are not limited to: community and local parks (including pocket parks, playgrounds, and park equipment), community recreational centers, park safety, greenspace and greenway development, gardens, and urban canopy development. This RPOSD grant program is part of Measure A Annual Allocations and is funded annually by 13 percent of the Measure A expenditure plan. Allocations are calculated for each Study Area. Funds are replenished each fall **with a rolling grant application period**. There is no cost-share requirement.

[California State Water Resources Control Board's Clean Water State Revolving Fund \(CWSRF\)](#) offers low-cost financing for a wide variety of wastewater and water quality projects, including funding for water reuse and stormwater projects. Financing is offered through low-interest loans (at half the general obligation bond rate, currently 3% as of October 2023). Stormwater mitigation projects are also eligible for loan forgiveness. California's CWSRF receives annual funds from principal and interest on past loans, federal allocations, periodic allocations to the State Water Board from the California annual budget, and other funds approved by California voters such as Proposition 1 and Proposition 68. The California CWSRF offers an average of \$736 million in financing annually. Applications are accepted on a **rolling basis and are reviewed at the end of the calendar year**. As stated by in the [CWSRF Intended Use Plan](#), "the State Water Board anticipates adding approximately \$750 million of new loan projects to the Fundable List in State FY2024/25 and adding no new loa projects in 2025/26. The State Water Board anticipates new loan projects will be added to the Fundable List again in 2026/27 consistent with the CWSRF's sustainable lending capacity."

It is still recommended that applications be submitted when ready, so the project application can be considered once funding becomes available. Projects in small (defined as less than 20,000 people) and/or disadvantaged communities are prioritized for grant funding and principal loan forgiveness. Specific funding percentages and caps change by the year but are developed annually through a stakeholder-driven process and released in that year's [Intended Use Plan](#). Some public entities are unable to apply for the CWSRF financing due to conflicting requirements with existing debt.

UPCOMING FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The funding opportunities below are expected to open in the future and may be the most relevant to Safe, Clean Water Program projects. These programs are not yet open nor are accepting applications, as of March 29, 2024. Tracking upcoming funding opportunities can be advantageous in strategizing future funding. If an upcoming opportunity is a strong match, consider providing a public comment on draft grant guidelines or Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), or establish early connections with the grant program manager. See the funding matrix attached for a more extensive list of relevant funding opportunities.

[California Transportation Commission's Local Partnership Program's Competitive Program](#) funds transportation improvement projects. Improvements include those that mitigate the environmental impact of new transportation infrastructure on water quality (i.e., urban runoff) including best management practices for capturing and treating urban runoff. Projects can receive a maximum grant award of \$25 million.

Local or regional transportation agencies are eligible applicants. **The Program is anticipated to open in August 2024**. The Program receives \$200 million annually from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account and each program cycle will include two years of funding. New cycles will be programmed every two years. More information is forthcoming.



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SAFE, CLEAN WATER PROGRAM FUNDING HIGHLIGHT

City of Alhambra - Green Street Demonstration Project

The City of Alhambra's Green Street Demonstration Project successfully secured \$3,005,040 in April 2023 from California Natural Resources Agency's Urban Greening Grant Program. Leveraged funds from the Urban Greening Grant Program cover 60% of the total project cost of \$5,032,000 (design and construction) and reduced the City's SCW Program Round 5 funding request to \$3,005,040--40% of total project costs.

Funding programs change frequently. The identified funding opportunities compiled are a list of potentially relevant opportunities, updated as of March 29, 2024. Further research should verify project-specific eligibility requirements, latest funding levels, and appropriate timelines. Use the links attached to research these programs further. If you are unsure about your project eligibility or competitiveness, reaching out to program coordinators via contact emails or webinars is a good way to get your questions answered. The [Federal Grants Portal](#), [California Grants Portal](#) and [California Financing Coordinating Committee Funding Fairs](#) can serve as additional resources to identify funding opportunities.

Safe, Clean Water Program - Funding Matrix

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Program	Theme	Status	Geography	Agency	Purpose / Goals	Eligible Applicants	Eligible Use of Funds	Project Type	Match/Cost Share Requirement	Funding Terms	Timing and Recurrence
<i>Name of Program</i>	<i>Topic Area(s) of Focus</i>	<i>Active or Upcoming?</i>	<i>National, State, Regional</i>	<i>Name of Agency</i>	<i>Program Purpose / Goals</i>	<i>Eligible Applicant Types</i>	<i>Eligible use and eligible projects</i>	<i>Project phase</i>	<i>Y / N?</i>	<i>Min & Max Award Amount and Other Considerations</i>	<i>Frequency and Cycles</i>
Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Grant Program - ICARP	Urban Heat	Active	State	CA Office of Planning and Research	The Program will build frameworks for change and invest in local, regional, and tribal projects that strengthen communities that are vulnerable to heat.	Public agencies, Academic Institutions, California Native American Tribes, Community-based organizations, non-profit organizations	Implementation grants may fall under four tracks: Track A) Build Public Awareness and Notification, Track B) Strengthen Community Services and Response, Track C) Increase Resilience of Our Built Environment, and Track D) Utilize Nature-based Solutions.	Planning / Implementation	Not required.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Small Planning Grants (\$100,000 and \$250,000) •Large Planning Grants (\$300,000 and \$750,000) •Small Implementation Grants (\$100,000 and \$450,000) •Large Implementation Grants (\$500,000 and \$5 million). 	Pre-application interest form due between January 29, 2024 and April 23, 2024. Full applications are due April 23, 2024. Cycle: Three phases. The ICARP program plans to award \$20 million in grants during the first round of funding
Coastal Ecosystems Climate Resilience	Habitat Restoration/Conservation,	Active	National	US Environmental Protection Agency	The US EPA, as part of its Science to Achieve Results (STAR) program, aims to promote scientific progress towards the understanding of coastal ecosystem resilience by seeking applications proposing research to 1) characterize, quantify, and define indicators or metrics of resilience for various types of coastal ecosystems, especially those ecosystems that have climate mitigation and adaptation and/or blue (ocean-stored) carbon sequestration potential (Lovelock and Duarte, 2019); and 2) develop methods and approaches to advance economic valuation of resilience benefits provided by coastal ecosystems. This funding opportunity solicits research needed to advance our understanding of the properties and processes important to climate resilience in estuarine and coastal marine ecosystems to better inform coastal ecosystem management strategies.	Public and private nonprofit institutions/organizations, public and private institutions of higher education (IHEs), and hospitals located in the U.S. and its territories or possessions; state and local governments; Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments; and U.S. territories or possessions are eligible to apply. Minority Serving Institutions prioritized: Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs), Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs), Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions (AANAPISIs), Predominately Black Institutions (PBIs)	Applicants should relate to one of the two distinct areas of research interests: 1) Characterize, quantify, and define indicators or metrics of resilience for various types of coastal ecosystems, especially those ecosystems that have climate mitigation and adaptation and/or blue carbon sequestration potential (i.e., tidal wetlands and marshes, seagrass beds, mangrove forests) 2) Develop methods and approaches to advance economic valuation of the resilience benefits of coastal ecosystems	Research	Not required.	Anticipates 7 awards, of up to \$1,200,000 per award.	Cycle opened March 13, 2024 and will close May 1, 2024.
Healthy Watersheds Consortium Grants	Wastewater / Clean Water, Habitat Restoration/Conservation	Active	Federal	US Environmental Protection Agency	The US EPA is soliciting applications from eligible applicants to manage the Healthy Watersheds Consortium (HWC) Grant Program to continue efforts to accelerate and expand the strategic protection of healthy freshwater, estuarine, and marine ecosystems and their watersheds across the country. This grant program will advance the protection of healthy watersheds by supporting an array of projects to build watershed protection capacity and support actions to protect healthy watersheds.	The EPA intends to award funding to one cooperative agreement. Eligible applicants: Nonprofit, non-governmental organizations, interstate agencies, intertribal consortia. Eligible subawardees: Public and private nonprofit institutions/organizations, Federally Recognized Tribal governments, state and local governments, U.S. territories, interstate agencies. SCW Program projects would be potential subawardees Applicants should address how they will ensure that competitive subawards will support one of the following project types: (1) include a variety of partner organizations; (2) advance a new or existing plan or strategy intended to protect healthy watersheds, or some other prioritization scheme based on a healthy watersheds assessment; and (3) include a plan for tracking and communicating the successes of the subaward project. Consistent with the goals of the Justice40 Initiative, applicants are strongly encouraged to describe the approach to solicit subaward applications from organizations seeking to protect healthy watersheds in or to benefit disadvantaged, historically marginalized and overburdened communities.	Subaward Project Types: 1) Healthy Watershed Protection High-Impact Demonstration Projects 2) Healthy Watershed Protection Capacity-Building Projects	Demonstration projects with new or experimental components.	40% non-federal cost-share requirement.	Maximum \$2,100,000. Only one cooperative agreement applicant will receive funding. Funding for each subaward under the cooperative agreement are anticipated to have project periods ranging from approximately two to three years and ranging from \$50,000 and \$150,000 per project.	Cycle opened March 13, 2024 and will close on May 10, 2024.
Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project's Community Wetland Restoration Grant Program	Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	Regional	Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB), California Coastal Conservancy (SCC) and the Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC)	The goals of the program are to build local capacity to plan and implement wetland restoration projects; promote community involvement in wetland restoration activities; and foster education about wetland ecosystems. The CWRGP seeks to engage and benefit people and communities that include but are not limited to lower-income individuals and households, people with disabilities, Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC), immigrant communities, and other systemically excluded communities ("CWRGP Priority Communities"). The CWRGP is designed for relatively small-scale projects or a small portion of a larger project that can achieve on-the-ground restoration while engaging CWRGP Priority Communities.	501c3 nonprofit organizations, local government agencies (City or County), other public agencies, federally recognized Tribes, nonprofit or public universities. Proposals demonstrating partnerships between more than one community-based organization and/or local public agencies are prioritized.	Projects must restore wetland or wetland associated habitat and involve the community in the restoration implementation. Eligible habitat types include: Wetlands and associated habitat can include coastal wetlands (e.g., tidal marshes), streams, rivers, wetland-adjacent riparian habitat, depression wetlands (e.g., vernal pools), and transitional upland habitat adjacent to wetlands (e.g., dunes, riverbanks, and coastal sage scrub). The CWRGP is particularly interested in funding projects falling within 1.5 miles of the main stem or tributary of the Lower Los Angeles River corridor.	Planning (Outreach) / Implementation	No	Applicants for projects within the identified priority region of the Lower Los Angeles River Corridor can request a grant amount up to \$150,000. Applicants for projects outside of this region may request a grant amount up to \$100,000. The average grant amount awarded will range between \$30,000 - \$100,000. Period of performance: maximum 2.5 years and projects should be completed by October 1, 2027.	Grant opened February 27, 2027 and will close May 18, 2024. The Program anticipates awarding a total of \$580,000 in funding to 5-8 projects.

California Urban and Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act	Green Space / Recreation, Urban Heat	Active	State	CAL FIRE / US Department of Agriculture	In 2023, the USDA Urban and Community Forestry Program awarded \$1.5 billion to states, projects, and national initiatives that support urban communities via the Inflation Reduction Act. Through this Inflation Reduction Act grant solicitation, CAL FIRE and the USDA Forest Service are competitively awarding \$30.8 million for urban and community forestry initiatives through six Grant Types (outlined in "Funding Terms" column), each of which have specific requirements for eligibility and reporting.	State and local government, homeowner associations, private lands, Tribal native corporation (includes Trusts lands).	100% of the funds awarded through this grant opportunity must be spent on projects providing direct, meaningful, and assured benefits within urban Priority Populations, which include state-designated disadvantaged communities (DAC), low income communities (LIC), and/or low-income households (LIH).	Dependent on Grant Type selected. Can range from technical assistance, planning, and implementation.	Not required.	Period of performance: March 31, 2028. Final invoice and progress report due April 30, 2028. Six Grant types offered by the 2024 IRA Grant Solicitation: 1) Urban Forest Expansion and Improvement : \$150,000 - \$1,500,000 2) Urban Forest Management Activities : \$150,000 - \$1,500,000 3) Urban Forestry Education and Workforce Development : \$150,000 - \$1,500,000 4) Urban Forestry Regional or Statewide Impact : \$150,000 - \$3,000,000	Cycle opened March 7, 2024 and closes May 30, 2024 .
Active Transportation Program	Transportation, Air Quality / Greenhouse Gas, Parks / Green Space / Recreation	Active	State	CA Transportation Commission	Encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as biking and walking	Local, regional, or state agencies, public school or school districts, tribal governments, private nonprofit	Must promote active transportation. Eligible projects include infrastructure projects, plans, educational / encouragement programs.	Infrastructure and Non-Infrastructure Projects	Not required.	Minimum request of \$250,000. An amount greater than \$500,000 must be approved by the Commission prior to the MPO's call for projects.	Cycle 7 opened March 18, 2024 and closes June 17, 2024 . Each ATP programming cycle will include four years of funding. New programming capacity begins for 2023 ATP will be for state fiscal years 2023-2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026, 2026-2027.
Community Change Grant	Habitat Restoration / Conservation, Parks / Green Space / Recreation, Urban Heat, Air Quality / Greenhouse Gas, Hazard Mitigation / Resilience, Education	Active	National	US Environmental Protection Agency	The Community Change Grant Program (CCG) is the US EPA's largest funding program coming out of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), with approximately \$2B in funding. The CCG will support comprehensive community and place-based approaches to addressing environmental and climate injustices for communities facing legacy pollution, climate change, and persistent disinvestment. These concentrated local investments will fund community-driven, change-making projects that center collaborative efforts for healthier, safer, and more prosperous communities.	A partnership between two community-based organizations (CBO) or a partnership between a CBO and a federally recognized Tribe, local government, or higher education institution.	Two program tracks: Track I) Community-Driven Investments for Change; Track II) Meaningful Engagement for Equitable Governance. Track I projects are multi-faceted holistic vision of projects addressing a variety of environmental and climate justice challenges along with education, engagement, workforce, capacity-building efforts. Applications must address a combination of categories to make it multifaceted and of the greatest benefit to communities. Track II projects facilitate engagement of disadvantaged communities in governmental processes (e.g., permitting advisory boards and environmental climate justice academies) to advance environmental and climate justice.	Education / Community Engagement / Capacity-building	Not required.	Track I: \$10-20M grant awards. Expected to award \$1.96B for 150 awards. Track II: \$1-3M grant awards. Expected to award \$40M for 20 project awards.	One cycle, 12-month rolling application. Application period opened November 21, 2023 and will close November 21, 2024 or earlier if all funds are awarded . Period of performance cannot exceed 3 years.
Wildlife Conservation Board - Grants	Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	National	Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)	WCB funds acquisition, restoration, and public access projects throughout the State. Fish and Game Code (FGC) section 1300 et seq., authorizes the WCB Board to acquire property on behalf of the Department of Fish and Wildlife and award grants for fish and wildlife habitat conservation, restoration, and for development of compatible public access facilities. WCB envisions a future in which California's wildlife, biodiversity and wild places are effectively conserved for the benefit of present and future generations.	Nonprofit, local government agencies, federal agencies, state agencies, CA Native American Tribes	The program provides funding support for planning, implementation, acquisition, technical assistance, and scientific studies. All projects shall provide one or more of the following benefits, as identified in WCB's Strategic Plan: • Protected or enhanced biodiversity; • Climate change resiliency and connectivity; • Support of the State Wildlife Action Plan priority habitats; • Conserved or enhanced working landscapes; • Conserved or enhanced water-related projects; and / or • Enhanced public access.	Planning / Implementation / Acquisition / Technical Assistance / Scientific Studies	Not required.	Not specified.	Rolling application cycle . Pre-application process and selected applicants invited to complete full application.
Neighborhood Parks, Health Communities, Urban Greening Program - Measure A Annual Allocation Grant Program	Parks / Green Space / Recreation	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Regional Parks Open Space District	Measure A funds are derived from an annual special tax on property within LA County. Measure A funds go into seven funding categories. Each funding program category supports specific funding programs, one of them being annual allocations. Annual allocation grant programs include: •Community-based park investments, neighborhood parks, health communities, and urban greening; •County cultural facilities; • County priority projects (i.e., the District's Board of Directors may allocate up to 2% of total Measure A funds collected each year for eligible projects); •The allocation to the LA County Department of Parks and Recreation; •The allocation to the LA County Department of Beaches and Harbors; and •Innovation Grant Program.	LA County public agencies that oversee parks. High-need or very-high-need study areas are identified in the most current Park Needs Assessment or Urban Park Needs Assessment.	Project types can include but are not limited to: community and local parks (including pocket parks), playgrounds, and park equipment; community recreational centers; park safety; greenspace and greenway development; gardens; and urban canopy development.	Planning / Implementation	Not specified.	Annual funding allocated to High-Need or Very-High-Need Study Areas.	Funds replenish every fall. Can only apply for available funds. Rolling application, no deadline . 13% of Measure A expenditure plan

Community-based Park Investment Program – Measure A Annual Allocation Grant Program	Parks / Green Space / Recreation	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Regional Parks Open Space District	Measure A funds are derived from an annual special tax on property within LA County. Measure A funds go into seven funding categories. Each funding program category supports specific funding programs, one of them being annual allocations. Measure A annual allocation funds go into five funding categories: Community-based park investment; neighborhood parks, healthy communities, and urban greening; county cultural facilities; county priority projects; the allocation to the LA County Department of Parks and Recreation; the allocation to the LA County Department of Beaches and Harbors; the Innovation Grant Program.	LA County public agencies that oversee parks	Applicants must provide proof that the project meets all the following Project Eligibility requirements to apply for a grant award: - The project is in the Study Area or meets the requirements for shared funds; - The project is a capital project; or - The project is consistent with the most recent PNA, UPNA, or another adopted park planning tool. Project types can include but are not limited to: community and local parks (including pocket parks), playgrounds, and park equipment; community recreational centers; park safety; greenspace and greenway development; gardens; and urban canopy development.	Development / Acquisition / Planning / Design	Not specified.	Annual allocation amounts per Study Area are calculated based off a formula-based allocation.	Funds replenish every fall. Can only apply for available funds. Rolling application, no deadline. 35% of Measure A expenditure plan.
County Priority Projects Program - Measure A	Parks / Green Space / Recreation	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Regional Parks Open Space District	County Priority Projects grants will fund projects that are determined to be priorities by the Board of Supervisors (BOS). Applicant should submit a 2-page Letter of Intent (LOI) to Office of the District Supervisor of the project location to determine priority level and funding eligibility.	Applicants must provide proof that the project meets all the following Project Eligibility requirements to apply for a grant award: • The project is a capital project or the planning and design for a capital project. • The project is consistent with the most recent PNA, UPNA, or another adopted park planning tool.	Below is a non-exhaustive list of projects that may be eligible for grant funds under the County Priority Projects program. This list is intended to assist the BOS in understanding the types of projects County Priority Projects Program funds can be expended on, not to limit or direct projects chosen for completion. • Community and local parks, including pocket parks, playgrounds, playground equipment, dog parks, and picnic areas, especially those that connect and restore underutilized spaces; • Community and senior recreational centers; • Park safety, graffiti removal, facility safety lighting, safe routes to schools, and other safety improvements; • Greenspace and greenway development; • Gardens; • Urban canopy development to reduce the heat island effect, especially in heavily urbanized, tree poor areas of the County; • Refurbishment, updating, expansion of current parks and park amenities; and • Planning and design related projects.	Planning / Implementation	Not specified.	Granted on a request-basis. LOIs evaluated on a rolling basis by each Supervisor's Office and may or may not be recommended for funding.	Up to two percent of annual Measure A revenue is allocated to this program. Available funding for each of the five Supervisorial Districts will be declared by September 15th of every year. This includes new and un-awarded funding from prior years.
Coastal Conservancy Grants	Habitat Restoration / Conservation, Hazard Mitigation / Resilience	Active	State	State Coastal Conservancy	The Coastal Conservancy funds a wide variety of projects along the California coast, San Francisco Bay, and in coastal watersheds to increase availability of beaches, parks and trails for the public, protect and restore natural lands and wildlife habitat, preserve working lands, and increase community resilience to the impacts of climate change. Multi-benefit projects, projects that serve disadvantaged communities, and projects that advance the objectives in their 2023 – 2027 Strategic Plan and regional and statewide plans will receive higher priority for funding.	Public Agencies, including Joint Power Authorities and Federally-Recognized Indian Tribes; Nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status; Other community-based organizations and non-federally-recognized tribes may apply with a 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor.	Projects that benefit public access, natural resources, working lands, and climate resiliency at the coast, coastal watersheds, and the San Francisco Bay. The Conservancy will fund most stages of a project including: pre-project feasibility studies, property acquisition, project planning including community involvement, design, environmental review, permitting, construction, and project-related monitoring.	Acquisition / Planning / Implementation	Not specified.	There are no maximum or minimum grant amounts for this funding; however, it is anticipated that most grants will be between \$200,000 and \$5,000,000.	Receives annual appropriations through the Coastal Conservancy's budget cycle. Also channels increased State investments in Coastal Conservation appropriated through the Budget Acts. Rolling pre-application solicitation for most Conservancy grants , including Climate Ready, Wildfire Resilience, and all regional grant programs. The Conservancy also holds periodic grant rounds related to specific programs or fund sources. Information on those grant rounds and their deadlines are posted on the program website and emailed to the listserv when they are open. All applicants are encouraged to request a technical assistance consultation with the Regional Manager covering your project area to discuss project eligibility before beginning the application process.
Stream Flow Enhancement	Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	National	Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)	The Stream Flow Enhancement Program (SFEP) funds projects that enhance stream flows across the state of California. The SFEP defines enhanced streamflow to mean: a change in the amount, timing, and / or quality of water flowing down a stream, or a portion of a stream, to benefit fish and wildlife.	Public agencies, Tribal governments, Non-profits, and individuals	The following are funding priorities for the stream flow enhancement projects: • Implementation projects resulting in measurable increases in stream flow • Acquisition projects resulting in permanent or long-term in-stream flow dedications • Projects that are focused on a watershed or regional approach • Projects in critical watersheds for salmonids • Projects that help to complete previously funded projects • Projects that evaluate stream flow conditions and stream responses to other stream flow enhancement project	Acquisition / Implementation	Not required.	Not specified.	As part of general WCB grant application. Continuous cycle.
Wetlands and Mountain Meadows Restoration – Nature Based Solutions	Parks / Green Space / Recreation, Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	State	CA Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)	Governor Gavin Newsom's 2020 Executive Order N-82-20 outlines a comprehensive and results-oriented agenda to expand nature-based solutions across California, advancing an approach to restoration that works with and enhances nature to help address societal challenges. Two new programs within CDFW will work toward this goal: Wetlands and Mountain Meadows Restoration and Wildlife Corridors programs.	Public agencies, Tribal governments, Non-profits	All projects shall provide one or more of the following benefits: • Protect or enhance biodiversity; • Climate change resiliency and connectivity; • Support of the State Wildlife Action Plan priority habitats; • Conserve or enhance working landscapes; • Conserve or enhance water-related projects; and / or • Enhance public access. Projects should also contribute the State's priorities, such as the Pathways to 30x30	Planning / Implementation / Acquisition / Monitoring / Scientific Studies / Capacity Building / Technical Assistance	Not required.	Not specified.	Ongoing, rolling application. Senate Bill 155 amended the Budget Act of 2021 to provide the allocation of up to \$54 million to Nature-Based Solutions (NBS) set aside in Fiscal Years 2022-23 and 2023-24 for projects that restore or enhance wetlands and watershed ecosystems and provide co-benefits, consistent with the Natural and Working Lands Climate Smart Strategy and Pathways to 30x30. The Program will also support pilot projects for CDFW's Beaver Program.

Riverine Stewardship Program	Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	State	CA Department of Water Resources	The RSP supports fish passage improvements & similar projects that increase ecological, stream management, climate, & community improvement benefits. Program goals include protecting, restoring, and enhancing the natural environment of riparian systems. RSP supports innovations in green infrastructure to provide habitat enhancements that benefit aquatic species and fish migration & help wildlife endure drought and adapt to climate change.	Public agencies, urban property owners, developers, local governments. Urban properties only. Geographic Limit of the "Delta export service area" and Counties within the Association of Bay Area Governments (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma), areas of the state outside the Delta that receive water from the State Water Project or the Central Valley Project, either directly or by exchange, by means of diversions from the Delta.	Eligible projects must support water quality and supply consistent with Water Code section 79205.6 and may include: -Innovative green infrastructure that enhances water availability, groundwater storage, fish and wildlife habitat restoration, creation of cool water refugia. -Fish-friendly intakes for agriculture diversions. -Fish passage solutions that remove barriers to fish migration or improve passage. -Increase or improve floodplain availability.	Implementation / Technical Assistance	Not required.	No minimum / maximum.	\$15M available in the current application cycle, with funds awarded on a first-come, first-served basis . Cycle opened in June 2022 and is available until all funds are expended. To apply for grants through these programs project proponents must submit a concept proposal and submit a full application if invited to do so by the RSP team. Funded through the Costa-Machado Water Act of 2000, Prop 68 (2018), Prop 84 (2006), and the Budget Act of 2021.
CA Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF)	Wastewater / Clean Water	Active	State	CA State Water Resources Control Board	Financing is offered through low-interest loans, and disadvantaged communities have the ability to apply for principal forgiveness (PF). The Clean Water SRF acts as an infrastructure bank, receiving annual capitalization grants from the EPA and state funds through annual budgets, state ballot measures, and a variety of other avenues. The Federal CWSRF has offered over \$150 billion in financing since 1988. The Federal SRF funds are administered through state-level SRF funds, including California's DW and CWSRF which are authorized under California Water Code Sections 13475-13485. The CA CWSRF receives annual funds from principal and interest on past loans, federal allocations, periodic allocations to the State Water Board from the California annual budget, and other funds approved by California voters such as Proposition 1 and Proposition 68. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and prioritize disadvantaged communities. Specific funding percentages and caps change by the year but are developed annually through a stakeholder-driven process and released in that year's Intended Use Plan (IUP).	Public agencies, Tribal governments, Non-profits	The CWSRF can finance publicly owned treatment facilities, nonpoint source projects, and estuary projects. The most common types of application received are for wastewater treatment plants and sewer systems. The most successfully funded types of projects (organized by category and ranked in order of most to least funded during the 2021-2022 FY as an example) include: secondary treatment, advanced treatment, new interceptors, water reuse, sewer system rehab, and energy efficiency.	Infrastructure and Non-Infrastructure Projects	Not required.	\$1 million to > \$100 million No maximum funding limit, but partial funding may be applied in annual CWSRF Intended Use Plan Financing is offered through low-interest loans (at half the general obligation bond rate, currently 1.7% as of November 2023). Grants and PF may be available to small communities and disadvantaged communities.	Funding available annually with applications being accepted on a rolling basis and reviewed at the end of each calendar year .
Natural Community Conservation Planning Local Assistance Grants And 30x30 Grants	Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	State	CA Department of Fish and Wildlife	This program supports California's commitment to the goal of conserving 30 percent of lands and coastal waters by 2030. The Program recognizes that regionally led conservation is critical to achieve 30x30. Legal authority for the 30x30 Grant Program is provided by Fish and Game Code section 1501.5(b), which allows CDFW to grant funds for fish and wildlife habitat preservation, restoration, and enhancement.	Public agencies, Tribal governments, Non-profits	Projects must implement activities in a Natural Community Conservation Plan or Habitat Management Plan.	Planning / Implementation/ Land Acquisition	Matching funds strongly encouraged.	No grant maximums or minimums stated in the solicitation package	Up to \$576,000 will be available through the NCCP LAG program this grant cycle, dependent on the availability of State funds and approval of the Budget Act. Currently only accepting applications for land acquisitions. Pre-applications will be considered until December 2024.