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Leveraged funding is a key program goal in the Safe, Clean Water (SCW) 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.

For more information, please contact SafeCleanWaterLA@pw.lacounty.gov

#### **POLICY HIGHLIGHTS**

On January 10, 2025, California Governor Gavin Newsom released the <u>proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 budget</u> to the Legislature. The proposed budget will undergo revisions and will be implemented beginning July 1, 2025. The Governor "proposes spending of \$322.2 billion in total state funds, consisting of approximately \$228.9 billion from the General Fund, \$86.8 billion from special funds, and \$6.5 billion from bond funds," including the \$10 billion <u>Climate Bond</u> passed by California voters in November 2024.

The Climate Bond will be allocated across multiple years to climate-related areas, as indicated in the table below.

Climate Bond Expenditure Plan (\$ in Millions)									
Investment Category	Bond Allocation	Proposed FY2025-26	Out-Years	Pending Allocation					
Safe Drinking Water, Drought, Flood & Water Resilience	\$3,800	\$1,074	\$2,716	\$10					
Wildfire and Forest Resilience	\$1,500	\$325	\$89						
Coastal Resilience	\$1,200	\$173	\$1,027	\$0					
Extreme Heat Mitigation	\$450	\$102	\$348	\$0					
Biodiversity & Nature-Based Solutions	\$1,200	\$286	\$813	\$101					
Climate Smart Agriculture	\$300	\$134	\$106	\$60					
Outdoor Access	\$700	\$286	\$183	\$231					
Clean Air & Energy	\$850	\$275	\$252	\$323					
Total	\$10,000	\$2,655	\$6,531	\$814					

Source: FY 2025-26 Governor's Budget, Climate Change and Environment Chapter

The budget notes that the Administration will continue working with the Legislature on expenditure plans to allocate some bond funding to programs and projects in specific fiscal years.

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#### **ACTIVE & UPCOMING FUNDING OPPORTUNITES**

The programs highlighted below are funding opportunities that may be the most relevant to Safe, Clean Water Program projects. As of January 15, 2025, these programs are currently open and accepting applications or are forecasted to open. See the attached funding matrix for a more extensive list of relevant funding opportunities.

United States Department of Transportation's Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program provides grants on a competitive basis for projects that seek to strengthen surface transportation to be more resilient to natural hazards, including climate change, sea-level rise, heat waves, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters. PROTECT supports planning activities, resilience improvements, community resilience and evacuation routes, and at-risk coastal infrastructure. The PROTECT grant funds four different categories of projects: Planning grants, Resilience Improvement Grants, Community Resilience and Evacuation Routes Grants, and At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants. Eligible applicants include State and local governments, special purpose districts with a transportation function, multijurisdictional groups, Tribal groups, and federal land management agencies that apply jointly with a State. Applications for the current cycle (FY24-25) are due February 24, 2025. The FY26 Program deadline is February 24, 2026.

United States Department of Agriculture's Community Wildfire Defense Grant assists at-risk local communities and Indian Tribes with planning for and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. At-risk communities that are in an area identified as having high or very high wildfire hazard potential, are low-income, and/or have been impacted by a severe disaster will be prioritized. Funding can be used to develop and revise a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) or implement projects described in a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) that is less than ten years old. A maximum of \$250,000 will be awarded to develop, revise, or update a CWPP. A maximum of \$10 million will be awarded to carry out projects described in a CWPP. Eligible applicants include local governments, Tribal organizations, non-profit organizations including homeowners' associations, State forestry agencies, and public and state higher education institutions. The application deadline closes on February 28, 2025.

<u>United States Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects</u> funds implementation and construction projects that conserve water, provide ecological benefits, support watershed health, and are connected to water resources or water resources management. The program awards grants or cooperative agreements, with a maximum of \$3 million per project that can be completed within 3 years. Total project costs should not exceed \$6 million. Eligible applicants include Tribes, public agencies, and nonprofit conservation organizations. A 25 percent non-federal cost-share is required by the applicant or a third-party contribution. The current application period is open and will **close on March 11, 2025.** 

United States Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program provides cost shared funding to states, Tribes, and other entities as they study, design and construct large-scale aquatic ecosystem restoration projects that are collaboratively developed, have widespread regional benefits, and result in the improvement of the health of fisheries, wildlife, and aquatic habitat. Eligible applicants include States, Tribes, local governments, irrigation and water districts, regional authorities, or organizations with power or water delivery authority, and non-profit conservation organizations working in partnership with an entity that has water or power delivery. Applications may apply for Task A (Study and Design) or Task B (Construction Projects) funding. Task A awards range between \$500,000 and \$2 million. Task B awards range between \$3 million and \$10 million. The first application period closes on April 15, 2025. The second application period will close on February 17, 2026.

<u>United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 9's Thriving Communities Grant Program</u> is funded by the Inflation Reduction Act and administered by Social and Environmental Entrepreneurs



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(SEE), the Regional Grantmaker, to streamline award distribution processes and increase the impact of environmental justice initiatives. The grant program funds projects that benefit disadvantaged communities, as defined by the Inflation Reduction Act Disadvantaged Communities Mapping Tool. Projects may be activities that address air quality, water quality and sampling, small cleanup projects, improving food access, stormwater issues and green infrastructure, lead and asbestos contamination, water and energy efficient homes, emergency preparedness and disaster resiliency, environmental job training, and environmental justice training for youth. Eligible recipients include non-profit and community-based organizations, Tribal governments, local governments, higher education institutions, and Native American organizations. Awards will range between \$75,000 to \$350,000. The grant application **opened January 13, 2025 and awards will be accepted on a rolling basis,** with monthly award announcements.

CalFire's Tribal Wildfire Resilience Grant Program funds planning and implementation projects that serve California Native American Tribes and advance wildfire resilience, forest health, and cultural use of fire. Eligible activities may include cultural and prescribed burns, forest health projects, mapping projects, restoration/fire/forest plan development, shaded fuel breaks, dead tree removal, biological and cultural surveys, and environmental compliance and permitting. Eligible applicants include Federally recognized Native American Tribes or Tribes on the California Native American Heritage Commission's Contact List of California Native Tribes and Tribally led non-profits. The grantee must have long-term access to Ancestral homelands or a long-term access/co-management agreement. This is an upcoming funding program. The public comment period for draft grant guidelines will close on January 21, 2025.

California Department of Toxic Substances Control's Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grant Program provides grants for two types of brownfield sites: hazardous substance release sites and petroleum sites. Grantees may also use funds for pre-cleanup site assessments and for environmental cleanup. Eligible applicants include local governments, Tribal entities, and nonprofits, and developers not liable under Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 107. The program has an ongoing, rolling application period. More information can be found by scheduling a meeting with the Program Manager to discuss eligibility.

Caltrans' Stormwater Treatment Partnership Programs provide funding to stormwater projects that improve regional water quality and facilitate partnerships with municipalities to achieve compliance with Caltrans' National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. There are two partnership programs, the Cooperative Implementation Agreements (CIA) Program and the Financial Contribution Only (FCO) Program. Both programs are **ongoing**, and annual funds are determined in March of each fiscal year based on Caltrans' Stormwater operating expenses. Projects that are not awarded funding in the current round remain eligible for funding in future rounds. For more information, please contact Los Angeles County Caltrans Stormwater Coordinator Anand Maganti.

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 enhance biodiversity; 2) Climate change resiliency and connectivity; 3) Support State Wildlife Action Plan priority habitats; 4) Conserve or enhance working landscapes; 5) Conserve or enhance water-related projects; and 6) Enhance 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.

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. 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



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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. As stated in the SFY 2024-25 CWSRF Intended Use Plan, the "State Water Board will be adding new projects to the Fundable List this fiscal year at a level consistent with the long-term sustainable loan capacity, and is no longer anticipating a break in SFY 2025-26 funding." This change is due to approximately \$476 million in loan commitments withdrawn or removed throughout the last fiscal year.

Applications are accepted on a **rolling basis and are reviewed at the end of the calendar year**. 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.

### SAFE, CLEAN WATER PROGRAM FUNDING HIGHLIGHT

#### Safe, Clean Water Program Public Education and Community Engagement Grants Program

Los Angeles County Public Works is partnering with the Water Foundation to develop and administer SCW Public Education and Community Engagement Grants Program (Grants Program). All proposals funded through the Grants Program must work towards one or more of the following: 1) Increase community awareness of the SCW Program and support community members in envisioning their own stormwater solutions; 2) Support the development of stormwater project concepts that are responsive to community needs and priorities; 3) Engage community members in active stewardship of neighborhood green stormwater infrastructure; 4) Increase community understanding of stormwater management in the context of LA County's water systems, particularly in areas that are most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change.

A total of \$8.5 million is available through the Grants program, with Tier 1 awards ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 and Tier 2 awards ranging from \$5,001 to \$250,000. Funds must be expended no later than July 31, 2026. Eligible applicants include nonprofits, Tribal organizations, municipal agencies, and school districts. All grant-funded activities must serve populations within the SCW Program Watershed Areas of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

The ongoing, rolling application period opened September 23, 2024. Applicants may submit proposals anytime between September 23, 2024 and May 31, 2025. The first round of applications closed on November 8, 2024. The Round 2 application deadline will close January 31, 2025; and Round 3 will close on April 4, 2025. Applications submitted after April 5, 2025 will be reviewed and awarded funding based on a first-come-first serve basis. Applicants whose proposals were not approved for funding can revise and resubmit their applications prior to the final deadline of May 31, 2025.

Funding programs change frequently. The identified funding opportunities compiled are a list of potentially relevant opportunities, updated as of January 15, 2025. 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. Safe, Clean Water Program Watershed Coordinators can also support leveraged funding efforts. The Federal Grants Portal, California Grants Portal and CFCC Funding Fairs can serve as additional resources to identify funding opportunities.

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Program	Theme	Status	Geography	Agency	Purpose / Goals	Eligible Applicants	Eligible Use of Funds	Project Type	Match/Cost Share	Funding Terms	Timing and Recurrence
Name of Program	Topic Area(s) of Focus	Active or Upcoming?	National, State,	Name of Agency	Program Purpose / Goals	Eligible Applicant Types	Eligible use and eligible projects	Project phase	Requirement  Y/N?	Min & Max Award Amount and Other	
Safe, Clean Water Program Public Education and Community Engagement Grants Program		Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Department of Public Works/ Water Foundation	Los Angeles County Public Works is partnering with the Water Foundation to develop and administer SCW Public Education and Community Engagement Grants Program (Grants Program). All proposals funded through the Grants Program must work towards one or more of the following: 1) Increase community awareness of the SCW Program and support community members in envisioning their own stormwater solutions; 2) Support the development of stormwater project concepts that are responsive to community needs and priorities; 3) Engage community members in active stewardship of neighborhood green stormwater infrastructure; 4) Increase community understanding of stormwater management in the context of LA County's water systems, particularly in areas that are most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change.	Eligible applicants include nonprofits, Tribal organizations, municipal agencies, and school districts.	All grant-funded activities must serve populations within the SCW Program Watershed Areas of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.	Outreach / Engagement		Considerations  A total of \$8.5M is available through the Grants program Tier 1: \$500 to \$5,000 Tier 2 awards: \$5,001 to \$250,000.	Ongoing, rolling application. Applicants may submit proposals anytime between September 23, 2024 and May 31, 2025. Applications will be evaluated in batches, with the deadlines as follows: Round 1 – November 8, 2024; Round 2 – January 31, 2025; Round 3 – April 4, 2025. Applications submitted after April 5, 2025 will be reviewed and awarded funding based on a first-come-first serve basis. Applicants whose proposals were not approved for funding can revise and resubmit their applications prior to the final deadline of May 31, 2025.
Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program	Transportation	Active	National	United States Department of Transportation	The PROTECT program provides grants on a competitive basis for projects that seek to strengthen surface transportation to be more resilient to natural hazards, including climate change, sealevel rise, heat waves, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters. PROTECT supports planning activities, resilience improvements, community resilience and evacuation routes, and at-risk coastal infrastructure. The PROTECT grant funds four different categories of projects: Planning grants, Resilience Improvement Grants, Community Resilience and Evacuation Routes Grants, and At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants	special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, Indian Tribe, Federal land management agency that applies jointly with a State or group of States; a multi-State or multijurisdictional group of	, A PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program Planning Grant or Resilience Grant may be awarded only for the following facilities (23 U.S.C. § 176(d)(5)(C)):  1. A highway project eligible for assistance under this title.  2. A public transportation facility or service eligible for assistance under chapter 53 of title 49.  3. A facility or service for intercity rail passenger transportation (as defined in section 24102 of title 49).  4. A port facility, including a facility that:  a) connects a port to other modes of transportation;  b) improves the efficiency of evacuations and disaster relief; or c) aids transportation.	Implementation	Planning grant: not rquired  Resilience grant: 20% non- Federal match requirement.  The non-Federal cost share match reduced by 7% if the State has developed a Resilience Improvement Plan and prioritized the project on that Resilience Improvement Plan.	Minumum: \$100K No maximum award size.	Applications for the current cycle (FY24 and 25) due February 24, 2025. FY26 deadline: February 24, 2026.
Community Wildfire Defense	e Fire Protection /Hazard Mitigation / Resilience	Active	National	United States Department of Agriculture	The purpose of the Community Wildfire Defense Grant is to assist at-risk local communities and Indian Tribes with planning for and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. At-risk communities that are in an area identified as having high or very high wildfire hazard potential, are low-income, and/or have been impacted by a severe disaster will be prioritized.	Local governments, Tribal organizations, non-profit organizations including homeowner associations, State forestry agencies, public and state controlled institutions of higher education.	Funding can be used to develop and revise a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) or implement projects described in a Community Wildfire Protection Plan that is less than ten years old.		10% requirement to develop/revise/update a CWPF 25% requirement for grant awarded to carry out projects described in a CWPP that is no more than 10 years old	CWPP; \$10M to carry out projects described in a CWPP	Applications due <b>Februrary 28, 2025</b> .
WaterSMART Envrionmental Water Resources Projects	Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	National	United States Bureau of Reclamation	The purpose of the WaterSMART Environmental Water Resourcers Project is to fund implementation and construction projects that conserve water, provide ecological benefits, support watershed health, and are connected to water resource or water resources management.			Implementation	25% cost share requirement	No minimum award amount. Up to \$3,000,000 per project for a project that can be completed within 3 years. Total project costs shall not exceed \$6,000,000. Up to \$5,000,000 in Federal funds may be awarded to a watershed group for projects to be complete within five years	Applications due March 11, 2025.
WaterSMART Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program	Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	National	United States Bureau of Reclamation	The WaterSMART Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program provides cost shared funding to states, Tribes, and other entities as they study, design and construct large-scale aquatic ecosystem restoration projects that are collaboratively developed, have widespread regional benefits, and result in the improvement of the health of fisheries, wildlife, and aquatic habitat.	State, Tribes, local government, irrigation and water districts, regional authorities, or organizations with power or water delivery authority, and non-profit conservation organizations working in partnership with an entity that has water or power delivery authority are eligible recipients.	Projects must be likely to improve the health of fisheries, wildlife, or aquatic habitat and may include habitat restoration and improved fish passage (e.g., dam removal, fishway construction). Eligible project activities include:  • Removal or Modification of Barriers to Fish Passage  • Restoration of Connectivity  • Restoration of Aquatic Habitat  • Improvement of Water Availability, Quality, and Temperature  • Monitoring Plan Development, Baseline Assessment, and Equipment Installation	Task A: Study and Design     Task B: Construction	35% non-Federal cost share requirement	1	<ul> <li>First application period: April 15, 2025. Proposed projects submitted by the April 15, 2025 application deadline should not have an estimated construction start date that is prior to December 31, 2025.</li> <li>Second application period: Feburary 17, 2025. Proposed projects submitted by the February 17, 2026 application deadline should not have an estimated construction start date that is prior to November 1, 2026.</li> </ul>
US EPA Region 9 - Thriving Communities Grant Program	Parks/ Green Space / Recreation / Education/ Community Services/ Disaster Preparedness	Active	Multi-state (US EPA Region 9)	United States Environmental Protection Agency; Administered by Social and Environmental Entrepreneurs (SEE)	Funded by the Inflation Reduction Act and administered by SEE as the Regional Grantmaker, the Thriving Communities Grant Program is an approach to streamline the distribution process and increase the impact of environmental justice initiaitves.	Nevada, Pacific Islands of Guam, American Samoa and CNMI and Tribal Nations  Eligible subrecipients include: non-profit and community-based organizations, Tribal governments (federal and state recognized and intertribal consortia), local governments,	Eligible activities include those that relate to addressing air quality, water quality, and sampling, small cleanup projects, improving food access, stormwater issues and green infrastructure, lead and asbestos contamination, water and energy efficient homes, emergency preparedness and disaster resiliency, environmental job training, environmental justice training for youth.  The Project must benefit people in disadvantaged communities as defined by the Inflation Reduction Act Disadvantaged Communities Mapping tool. More information may be released on January 13 when grant guidelines are shared.	Assessment / Planning / Project Development	Not required.	Minimum: \$75K Maximum: \$350K	Grant application period opened January 13, 2025. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis with monthly award announcements.

First District Community Grants	Parks/ Green Space / Recreation / Education/ Community Services	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Executive Office of the Board - District 1	The purpose of the Community Grant Program is to develop or support services that meet the diverse needs of the residents of the First District, on issues ranging from health, violence prevention, and environmental justice to immigration and jobs among others		Funding for program costs for existing services, planning new projects, or implementation/expansion of services. Ongoing staffing, operations, and/or saleries are not generally considered. Priority funding areas include:  • Arts and Culture  • Environment  • Health  • Housing and Homelessness  • Jobs  • Parks & Open Space  • Public Safety and Diversion  • Transportation  • Social Services  • Immigration  • Veterans  • Children and Families	Not specified.  Not requ	vired. Not specified.	Ongoing, rolling application.
Third District Discretionary Funding Grant	Parks/ Green Space / Recreation / Education/ Community Services	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Executive Office of the Board - District 3	To support community-serving organizations in the 3rd District	Requesting organization must have a location in the 3rd District and the funds requested are for the benefit of 3rd District constituents and communities. Non-profit and for-profit non-sectarian organizations	Requests may include but are not limited to educational/recreational projects, arts and cultural programs, environmental awareness programs/projects, public safety programs, health and social service initiatives and programs. Grants can also help support an organization with one-time funding to purchase equipment, needed materials, repairs or augmentation of a physical site, etc. "Seed" grants are also available to estable new and innovative work, if all other criteria is met.		Not specified.	Ongoing, rolling application.
Fourth District Discretionary Grant	Parks/ Green Space / Recreation / Education/ Community Services	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Executive Office of the Board - District 4	The purpose of the Fourth District Discretionary Grants is to support organizations within the Fourth District that are providing services to our residents. Funds must be used to benefit the community and are not for private purposes or activities	Agency requesting funding should serve the Fourth District residents. Agency type not specified.	Grant funding should support direct services or community events. Each funding grant must meet a social need of the residents of the County, including arts, health law enforcement, public safety, rehabilitation, education, legal services, and disability services.	Not specified. Not requ	Not specified. Grants over \$2,500 must submit a line-ited budget.	Ongoing, rolling application.
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.		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 / Not special Acquisition / Planning / Design	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).	<ul><li>following Project Eligibility requirements to apply for a gran award:</li><li>The project is a capital project or the planning and design for a capital project.</li></ul>	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.	Implementation	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 unawarded 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.	Federally-Recognized Indian Tribes; Nonprofit organizations	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	There are no maximum or minimum grant amounts for this funding; however, it is anticipated that most grants will be between \$200K and \$5M	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.
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.		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 30x3	Planning / Not requirementation / Acquisition / Monitoring / Scientific Studies / Capacity Building / Technical Assistance	uired. Not specified.	Ongoing, rolling application.  Senate Bill 155 amended the Budget Act of 2021 to provide the allocation of up to \$54M 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.

CA Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF)	Wastewater / Clean Water	Active	State	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). Financing is for a wide variety of water quality projects.		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.  Applications can be submitted for different types of projects: (a) Water / Energy Audit (focused on driving water efficiency), (b) Construction (for projects that restore or maintain water quality), and (c) for Planning / Design (focused on wastewater systems). Can also apply to these through CA state grants.	Infrastructure and Non-infrastructure Projects	Not required.	\$1M to > \$100M  No maximum funding limit, but partial funding may be applied in annual CWSRF Intended User Plan  Financing is offered through low-interest loans (at half the general obligation bond rate)  Grants and PF may be available to small communities and disadvantaged communities.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Habitate Restoration / Conservation / Climate Resilience	Active	State		For projects that address urgent degrading water and habitat conditions due to climate change	Nonprofit, Public Agency, Tribal Government	Includes: purchasing water from willing sellers for wildlife benefit, protecting instream flows, building water conservation projects, implementing emergency restoration activities, conservation strategies.	Acquisition, implementation, infrastructure & non-infrastructure projects	Not required.	Reimbursement funding method. Total funding available is \$35M. Period of performance extends through March 15, 2026.	Ongoing, rolling application. Awarded as often as monthly.
Small Community Clean Water / Wastewater Funding (Grant or Loan)	Clean Water, Water Quality	Active	State	Resources Control	Provides low interest loans, grants, and principal forgiveness to small disadvantaged communities for planning / design and construction of projects that restore and maintain water quality.	Must serve small communities qualifying as DAC or SDAC.		Planning, Construction	Not required.	Period of performance is 3-5 years.	Ongoing, rolling application. Porgram has a total of \$110M available. Funding source is the CWSRF and it is carried out as a reimbursement.
	Habitat Restoration / Conservation / Water Quality	Active	State	· ·	Funds multi-benefit ecosystem and watershed protection / restoration projects.	Nonprofit, public agency, tribal government.	Projects must be consistent with the purposes of Propsition 1 and contribute to the implementation of the California Water Action Plan. Proposals must address at lead one of the following priorities: large-scale wildfire recovery response and prevention, headwater management for multiple benfits, protect and restore native fish habitat/coastal wetland ecosystem	_	Not required.	Period of performance is 3 years.	Application deadline is ongoing with anticipated award announcement in the Summer 2024. There are about \$19M in funds available.
The state of the s	Community Sustainability / Infrastructure	Active	State	Economic Development	Low-cost, direct loans to governments and nonprofits sponsored by public agencies for infrastructure and economic projects that improve and sustain communities.	_	Eligible projects include, but are not limited to: water and wastewater treatment plant upgrades or construction, street repair and upgrades, drainage, flood control, water supply, parks & recreational facilities, environmental mitigation measures, educational facilities, sewage collection & treatment, water distribution.	· ·	Not required.	Amounts of funding range from \$1M to \$65M with loan terms for useful life of project up to 30 years.  IBank uses a proprietary interest rate method to ensure borrowers have the best chance to receive belowmarket interest rates. Interest rates are fixed up to 30 years.	
Replacing, Removing, Or Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks	Stormwater / Water Supply	Active	State			business, (2) be CA based, (3) facility of project tank location	Typical projects include: removing / replacing single-walled USTs or piping, UST upgrades, under-dispenser containment boxes, electronic monitoring systems, leak detection testing.		Not required.	UST Operators / Owners eligible for \$3K-\$70K. Remote public fueling stations are eligible for \$140K additional funding. No period of performance.	Ongoing, rolling application.
	Climate Resilience / Coastal Protection / Habitat Protection & Restoration	Active	State	and Wildlife	For restoring and protecting rivers an dstreams in support of fisheries and wildlife. Priorities include reconnection of rivers with floodplains, riparian habitat restoration, protection of upper watershed forests and meadow systems.	Nonprofit, Public Agency, Tribal Government. Additional eligibility requirements apply to public utilities, urban water suppliers, and ag water suppliers.	Examples include: restoring / protecting riparian and aquatic habitat, reconnecting historical floodplains, modernizing stream crossings, restoring river channels, improving ecological function, improving local watershed management, restoring and protecting upper watershed forests / meadows.  Severely disadvantaged community has median household income of less than 60%.	Implementation,	Not required.	Period of performance is 3 years.	Ongoing, rolling application with some awards expected to be announced in Summer 2024. Total funding available is approximately \$10M.
Water Recycling Funding Program	Water Quality / Water Supply	Active	State	Resources Control Board	Provides technical and financial assistance to agencies for water recycling projects that promote beneficial use of treated municipal wastewater. Applicants must comply with CWSRF policies and guidelines.	Planning grants: Only local public agencies are eligible to receive a planning grant.  Construction grants: local public agencies, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, public utilities, Native American Tribes, mutual water companies. Dependent on funding	Include: recycled water treatment / storage / distribution, groundwater recharge, indirect potable reuse, and surface water augmentation.  Construction projects must offset or augment state or local fresh water supplies.	Construction, Planning	50% local cost share requirement. Cost share may be reduced for communities that meet DAC criteria under CWSRF	June 30, 2027. Grant is calculated at 35% of eligible	Ongoing, rolling application. Total funding available is \$4.6M.
RMC Non-Bond Priorities Grant Programs	Habitat Conservation/ Climate Resilience/	Active	Regional	Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC)		State and Federal agencies, Tribal entities recognized by the US Federal Register or as a California Native American tribe, local public agencies (including water districts and school districts), local conservation corps, nonprofil organizations, Joint Powers Authorities	Policies, and existing and adopted river and flood control projects/plans.Projects	<u> </u>	Not required.	Typically \$3K- \$2M.  Small grants may be awarded from \$50K-\$300K	Ongoing, rolling application period. Applications will be submitted in two phases: a concept proposal and a full application. The conecept proposal will first be reviewed by RMC staff before selecting which proposals will move forward to submit a full application.
Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grant Program	Brownfields	Active	State	of Toxic Substances Control	Provides grants for two types of brownfield sites: hazardous substance release sites and petroleum sites. Grantees may also use funds for pre-cleanup site assessments and for environmental cleanup.		Funds cleanup and assessment related costs. Schedule meeting with program manager to discuss eligibility	Assessment, Implementation	Not specified.	Not specified.	Ongoing, rolling application period.