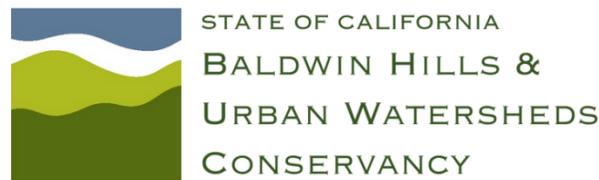


LA County Park Funding Summit 2025

Connecting Park Funders and Applicants



October 10, 2025, 9AM-1PM
Loma Alta Park, Altadena, CA



Prop 4: Statewide Park Program (SPP)



What it funds:

The Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program (SPP) is a competitive grants program that creates new parks and new recreation opportunities in critically underserved communities across California.

CONTACT

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APPLICATION WINDOW

2026 – Exact date TBD

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE

TBD

AWARD RANGE:

*\$188.5 Million Statewide





Prop 4: Statewide Park Program (SPP)

Where funds go:

A project must involve either development or a combination of acquisition **and** development to either:

- Create a new park
- Expand an existing park
- Renovate an existing park

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Who's Eligible:

- Cities
- Counties
- Districts
- Joint powers authorities (one member of the joint powers authorities must be either an eligible district, City, or County)
- nonprofits with 501(c)(3) status

What's Eligible?

- Recreation features, such as:
 - ❖ Amphitheater
 - ❖ Community Gardens
- Major Support Amenities, such as:
 - ❖ Restrooms
 - ❖ Landscaping / Lighting



Prop 4: State Park Program (SPP)

Application Process:

How to Apply: TBD (Online with link found on the website)

Due Date: TBD

Due date TBD

*** Join the Listserve to receive a notification with details on how to apply, public comments, and to join the technical assistance workshops.

Applicants will be assigned a specialized Project Officer.

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Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP)

CONTACT

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APPLICATION WINDOW

2026 – exact date TBD

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE

TBD

AWARD RANGE:

Up to \$6,000,000



What it funds:

ORLP is a nationally competitive program to help economically disadvantaged urban communities with no, or very limited, access to publicly available, close-by, outdoor recreation.

**Project site is placed under federal protection in perpetuity.



Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP)

Where funds go:

Land acquisition, development, or both for outdoor recreation.

Eligible applicants compete nationwide:

- Cities and Counties
- Park and open space districts, and special districts with authority to acquire, operate, and maintain public park and recreation areas.
- Eligible State Agencies
- Federally recognized Native American Tribes
- Joint Powers Authorities where all members are otherwise eligible under LWCF.

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Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP)

What's Eligible:

- Outdoor recreation areas and facilities open to the public and not limited to special groups.
- Located in a Census tract that is determined to be disadvantaged.

What's Required?

- 50% Match requirement .
- Section 106 and NEPA federal requirements BEFORE groundbreaking for selected projects.
- Mandatory workshop participation for selected projects.



Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP)

Application Process:

Submit your application online (link is on our website)

Due date TBD

Award limit is \$6 million

Budget narrative as part of application

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2026 – exact date TBD

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE

TBD

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Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

What it funds:

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grants provide funding for the **acquisition** or **development** of land **to create new outdoor recreation opportunities** for the health and wellness of Californians.

Project site is placed under federal protection in perpetuity.

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APPLICATION WINDOW

2025 window is closed as of
August 5, 2025

Next cycle: Spring 2026

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE

April 2026

AWARD RANGE:

Up to \$6,000,000





Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Where funds go:

Eligible applicants compete nationwide:

- Cities and counties
- Federally recognized Native American tribes
- Joint Powers Authorities (JPA) where all members are public agencies.
- Non-state agency recreation and park districts and special districts with authority to acquire, operate, and maintain public park and recreation areas.

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Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

What's Eligible:

Project sites that serve park deficient and/or economically disadvantaged areas are prioritized as part of California's Open Projects Selection Process (OPSP).

What's Required?

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Other Grant Programs

- Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI)
- Readiness and Recreation Initiative (RARI)
- River Trail Conservation Assistance (RTCA)
- Recreation Trails Program (RTP)
- Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF)

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APPLICATION WINDOW

Varies

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE

Varies

AWARD RANGE:

Varies





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APPLICATION WINDOW:

Rolling

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:

Rolling

AWARD RANGE:

Varies

Prop 4 Wildfire, River, Nature



What it funds:

- 1. Fire prevention capacity, enhance forest health and resilience, or reduce the risk of wildfire spreading from wildlands into populated areas**
Each project must address at least one of the following: watershed improvement, wildfire resilience, chaparral or forest restoration, or workforce development.
- 2. Protect or restore rivers, wetlands, streams, lakes, or watersheds; improve the resilience of fish/wildlife; or enhance climate resilience, water supply/quality**
Projects must also support at least one regional priority: improving the climate resiliency or protection of the Los Angeles River Watershed. Projects must align with the Upper Los Angeles River & Tributaries working group's revitalization plan.
- 3. Protect biodiversity or nature, restore landscape health, or achieve California's climate goals.**
Each project must also reduce climate change risks to communities, fish and wildlife, or natural resources, or increase public access to nature.



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AWARD RANGE:

Varies

Prop 68 SMMC Grant Program



What it funds:

The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 authorizes funding to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection and outdoor access for all program. Additional scoring available to projects located in SDACs.

The SMMC Prop 68 Grant Program may fund the following kinds of projects:

- Resource Protection and Restoration Projects
- Vegetation Management and Fire Safety Projects
- Visitor Serving Development and Improvement Projects
- Community Access, Education and Interpretation Projects



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AWARD RANGE:

Varies

Prop 1 SMMC Grant Program



What it funds:

The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 authorizes funding for state water projects, including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection.

The SMMC Prop 1 Grant Program may fund the following kinds of projects:

- Acquisition Projects
- Water Conservation, Treatment and Improvement Projects
- Project Planning & Design
- Restoration Projects
- All Other Improvement Projects
- Vegetation Management



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**TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE:
(ESTIMATE)**

Prop 4 Wildfire: \$48,500,000
Prop 4 River: \$48,000,000
Prop 4 Nature-Based: \$48,000,000
Prop 68: \$19,200,000
Prop 1: \$7,100,000

SMMC Grant Program

What's Eligible

Projects advancing funding goals within the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Zone.

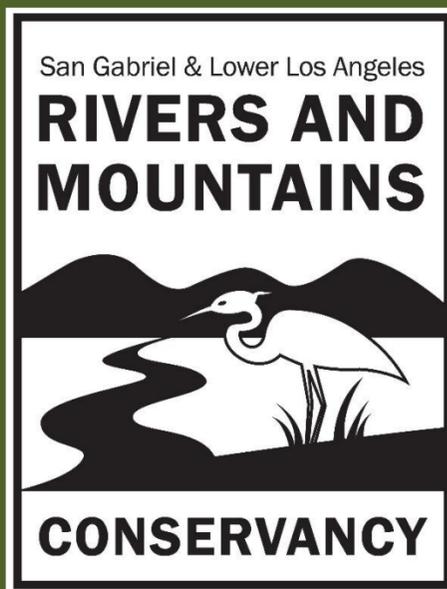
What's Not Eligible?

Projects inconsistent with funding guidelines, including projects not intended to result in a capital improvement.

Application Process:

For Prop 68 and Prop 1, eligible applicants must email grants@smmc.ca.gov for consideration on a rolling basis. Applicants for Prop 4 funds may be required to apply through an online grants portal in the future, but currently may email grants@smmc.ca.gov.

Award limits are based on applicant type, size and range.



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APPLICATION WINDOW:

Rolling Basis

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:

Rolling Basis

AWARD RANGE:

\$50,000 - \$2,000,000

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE:

\$133,000,000

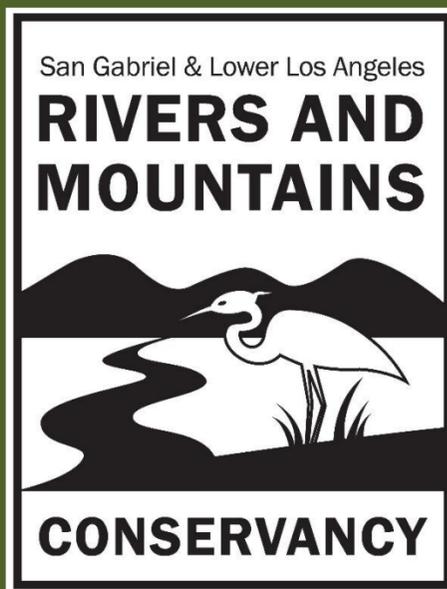


Consolidated Grant Program (Prop 1, 4, 68, GF)

What it funds:

Our mission is to preserve open space and habitat in order to provide for low-impact recreation and educational uses, wildlife habitat restoration and protection, and watershed improvements within our jurisdiction.

RMC supports planning, acquisition, and implementation projects that strengthen watershed health, expand access to open space, and advance climate resilience. Funding priorities emphasize multi-benefit outcomes that integrate recreation, habitat restoration, water conservation, and environmental education, with a focus on projects serving disadvantaged and under-resourced communities.



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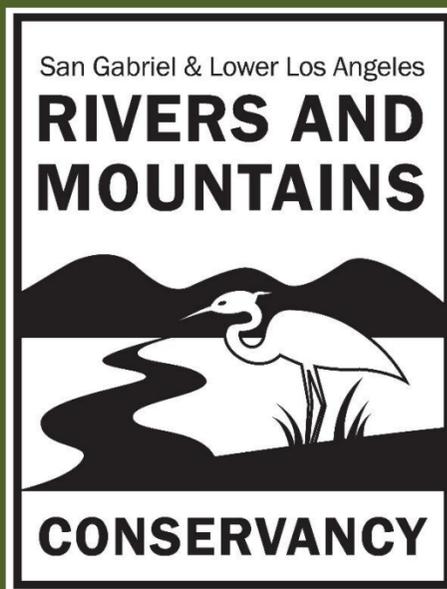
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Consolidated Grant Program (Prop 1, 4, 68, GF)

Where funds go:

RMC funds projects located within or directly benefiting its statutory territory, which spans portions of Los Angeles and Orange Counties, including the Dominguez Channel and Santa Catalina Island. Priority is given to projects that serve disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged communities. Eligible applicants include public agencies, tribes, nonprofits with a 501(c)(3) designation, conservation corps, and joint powers authorities.



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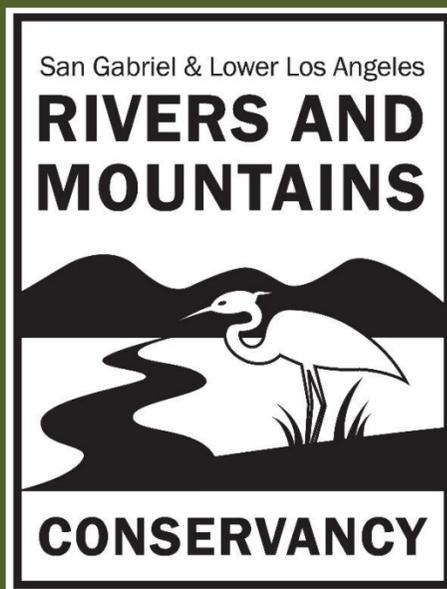
What's Eligible?

- **Planning** – feasibility studies, technical studies, concept designs, construction drawings, permitting, environmental compliance, and public engagement. Must lead to a specific future on-the-ground implementation project.
- **Implementation** – ‘shovel ready’ projects, construction, restoration, access, signage
- **Acquisition** – open space protection, due diligence, acquisition costs, land management planning, appraisals, improvements, relocation, title reports, surveying, escrow. Requires willing seller participation and fair-market value purchase only.
- **Technical Assistance** – grant writing, project development

What's Not Eligible?

Activities ineligible for RMC reimbursement are outlined within the consolidated grant guidelines. They include, but are not limited to:

- Operations or maintenance costs
- Projects without public access or environmental focus
- Sports fields, playgrounds, or equipment without nature components
- Fundraising or unrelated administrative expenses



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TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE:

\$133,000,000

Consolidated Grant Program (Prop 1, 4, 68, GF)

Application Process:

Eligible applicants must submit to the RMC General Inbox info@rmc.ca.gov

Phase 1 – Concept Proposal (≈30 days, rolling basis)

Staff consult & review for alignment with RMC priorities
Feedback → invite to full application

Phase 2 – Full Application (60 days)

RMC support & review (~2 weeks)
Revisions if needed
Scored ($\geq 70\%$, may include site visit)

Phase 3 – Board Consideration

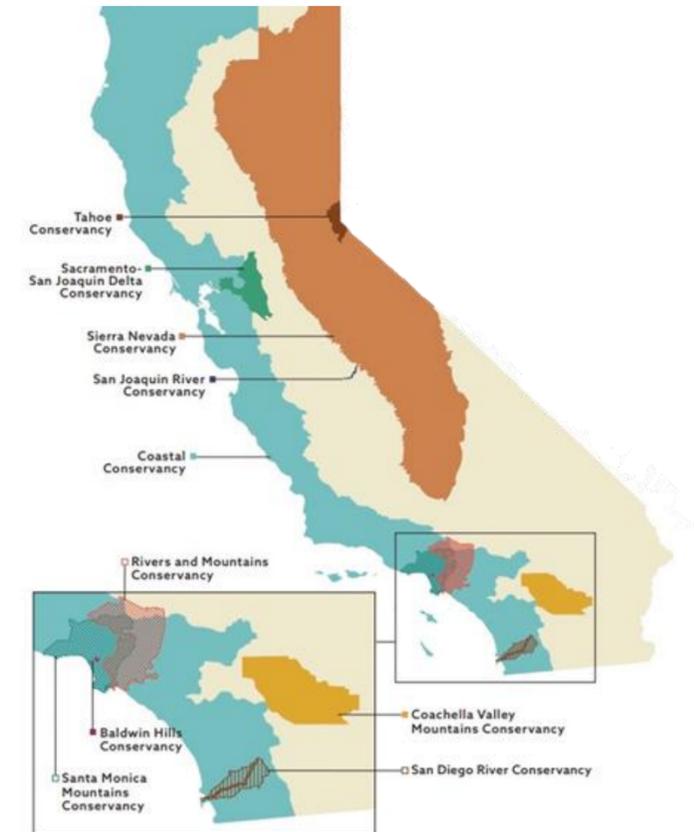
Competitive applications advance to RMC Governing Board



Baldwin Hills & Urban Watersheds Conservancy



Mission: To acquire open space and manage public lands within the Baldwin Hills, Southern Ballona Creek and Upper Dominguez Channel watersheds and to provide recreation, restoration and protection of wildlife habitat within the territory for the public's enjoyment and educational experience.



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BH UWC Board Meeting Dates

AWARD RANGE:

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Reimbursement-based Grants



California State Grants

Reimbursement-based grant – Funds received after the grantee has already paid for eligible project costs.

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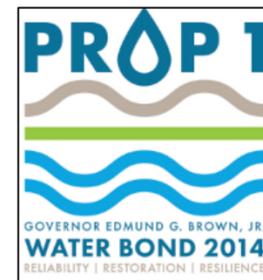
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Prop 68: California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018



Prop 1: The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014



Prop 4: Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024



Reimbursement-based Grants



Eligible Applicants

Public Agencies – Any state agency or department, special district, joint powers authority, city, county, or other political subdivision of the state.

Native American Tribes – Those that are either federally recognized or listed on the Native Heritage Commission’s California Tribal Consultation List.

Non-profit Organizations – U.S. Federal Income Tax-exempt organizations, 501(c) (3) designation or fiscally sponsored, and whose purposes are consistent with the Conservancy’s statutory authority, funding priorities and eight (8) agency-wide strategic goals.

Public Utilities & Mutual Water – Projects proposed by this type of applicant must have a clear and definite public purpose and must benefit the customers of the water system and not the investors. For additional eligibility requirements, please go to our website.

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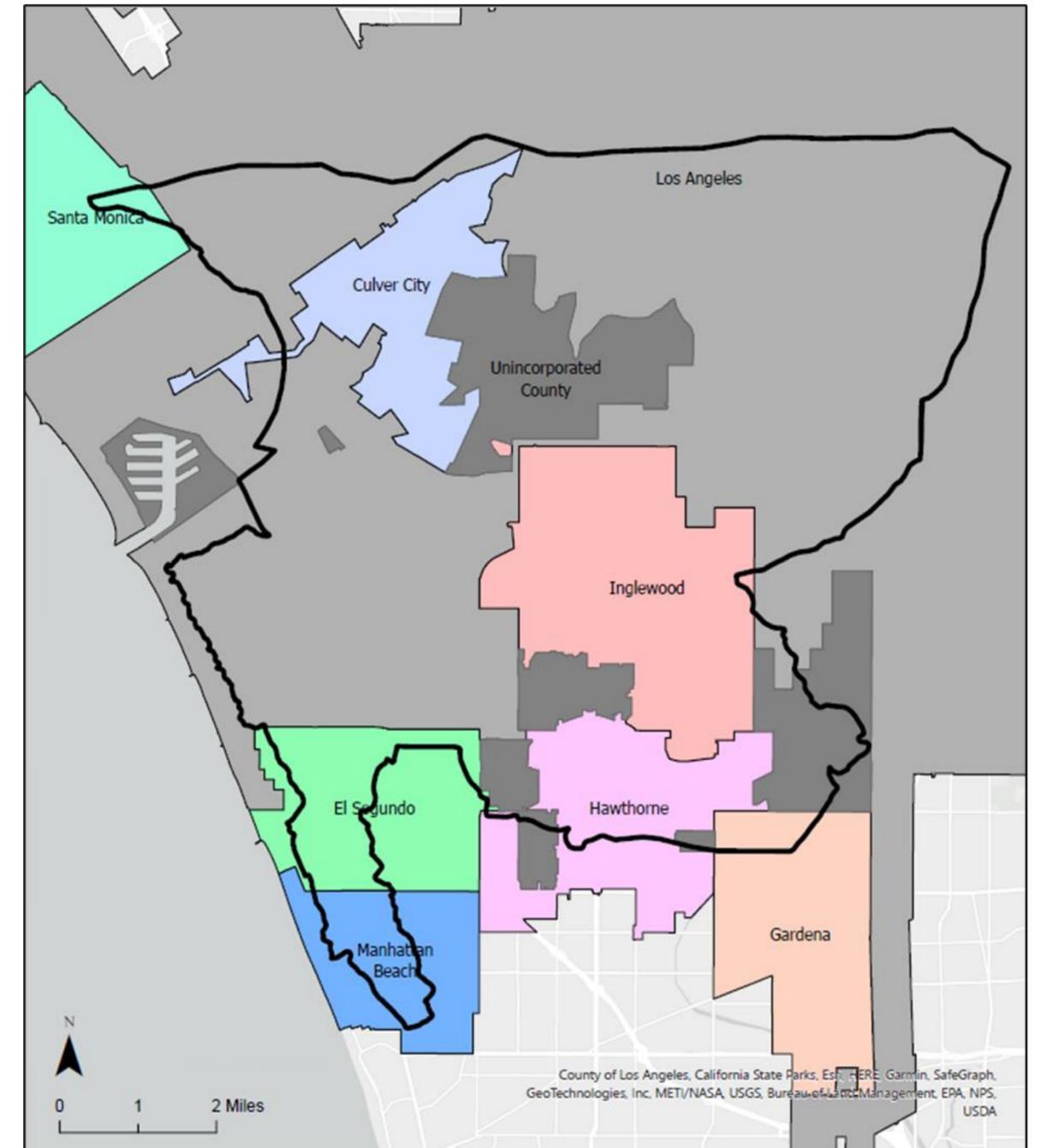
BH UWC Jurisdictional Territory



70-square miles area includes Cities and Unincorporated Communities

Jurisdiction (black line) includes portions of:

- City of Los Angeles (light grey)
- City of Inglewood (pink)
- City of Gardena (orange)
- City of Hawthorne (purple)
- City of El Segundo (green)
- City of Manhattan Beach (dark blue)
- City of Santa Monica (teal)
- City of Culver City (light blue)
- The Unincorporated Los Angeles County Communities of Lennox, Del Aire, Hawthorne Island, West Athens, Leimert Park, Windsor Hills, Ladera Heights, Mesa Heights and Baldwin Hills (dark grey)



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AWARD RANGE:

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Eligible Projects – Must be within BH UWC jurisdictional Territory



BH UWC Jurisdictional Territory



Urban Watersheds of Los Angeles



- Southern Ballona Creek
- Upper Dominguez Channel
- Upper Los Angeles River

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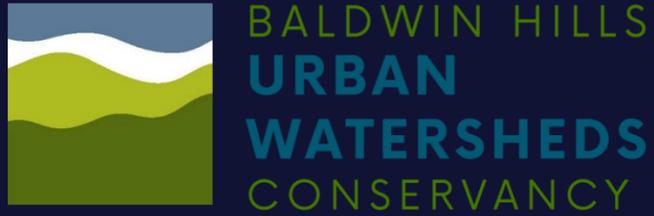
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BH UWC Board Meeting Dates

AWARD RANGE:

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Consolidated Grant (GC) Program

BH UWC Strategic Grantmaking Process – One (1) application, *Conceptual Project Proposal*, reviewed for eligibility and consistency with Conservancy’s statutory authority, funding priorities and eight (8) agency-wide strategic goals.

Community and Climate Resilience Goals:



1 Empower Safe and Resilient Communities



2 Increase Access to Parks And Open Spaces



3 Protect and Manage Water Resources



4 Increase Biodiversity



5 Advance Urban Forest Health



6 Remediate Degraded Lands

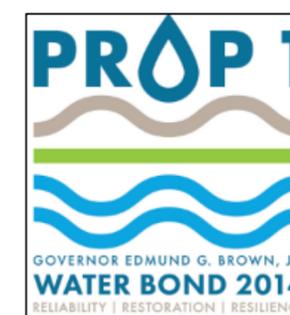


7 Mitigate Impacts From Extreme Heat



8 Prevent Wildfire

**Full Grant Proposal Submission:
(Invitation Only)**



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APPLICATION WINDOW:

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AWARD RANGE:

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Consolidated Grant (GC) Program

Priority Projects – Actions eligible for BH UWC GC Program funding that advance one or more **Community & Climate Resilience Goals**

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1 Empower Safe and Resilient Communities

- Community-led Co-design / Participatory Planning
- Conservation / Stewardship Training
- Workforce Development / Community Stabilization
- Technical Assistance / Coalition Building
- Cultural and Environmental Interpretation
- Community Resilience Programming / Hub



2 Increase Access to Parks And Open Spaces

- Trail / Greenway
- Regional Park
- Pocket Park
- Sports Field
- Community Garden
- Joint-use Space
- Park Safety Retrofits
- Park Infrastructure / Amenities
- Bike Infrastructure
- Public Transit / Park Shuttles



3 Protect and Manage Water Resources

- Green Stormwater Infrastructure
- Recycled Water Infrastructure
- Groundwater Recharge / Water Storage
- Irrigation System Upgrade / Smart Technology
- Wet / Dry Weather Runoff Diversion
- Stream Daylighting



4 Increase Biodiversity

- Ecological Restoration
- Riparian Habitat Restoration
- Nature Preserve / Mitigation Banking
- Wildlife Corridor



5 Advance Urban Forest Health

- Urban and Community Forestry Training
- Informed Tree Planting / Tree Care
- Mitigating Poor Air Quality Through Tree Equity
- Improving Conditions of Urban Forests
- Carbon Sequestration



6 Remediate Degraded Lands

- Nuisance Parcel / Lot Acquisition
- Contaminated Parcel / Lot Acquisition
- Contaminated Site Remediation
- Enhancement Revegetation



7 Mitigate Impacts From Extreme Heat

- Shade Structure
- Hydration Station
- Cool Pavement
- Shade Trees
- Cooling Center



8 Prevent Wildfire

- Vegetation Management / Fuel & Ignition Reduction
- Fire Breaks and Buffers
- Wildfire Hardening
- Water Accessibility / Supply for Fire Prevention



BALDWIN HILLS URBAN WATERSHEDS CONSERVANCY
**CONSOLIDATED
GRANT
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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See BH UWC CG Program Guidelines –



Proposition 68 Grants

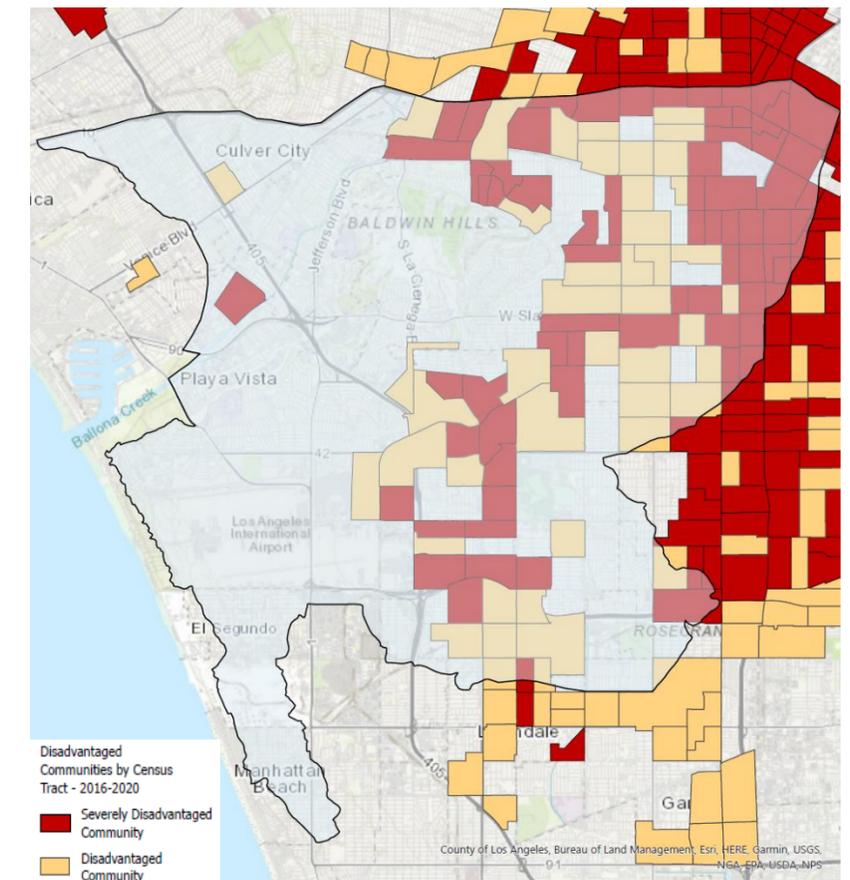
California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018



Competitive Grant Program – Funds the creation, expansion, or improvement of regional parks and facilities.

Priority given to projects that:

- Connect people with natural landscapes and/or urban greenspaces, and serve **Disadvantaged Communities**
- Promote an appreciation for the environment and natural resources
- Address the threats facing the environment and regional natural resources



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Proposition 1 Grants



Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014

- Funds water supply, capture, recharge and storage infrastructure projects
- Right to “safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes”

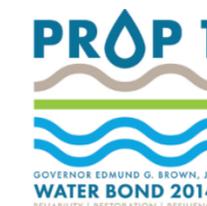
([Water Code Sec. 106.3](#))



Milton Green Street

Additional Project Categories

- *Habitat Restoration Projects*
- *Climate Adaptation Projects*
- *Multi-Benefit Open Space Projects*



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Proposition 4

Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024



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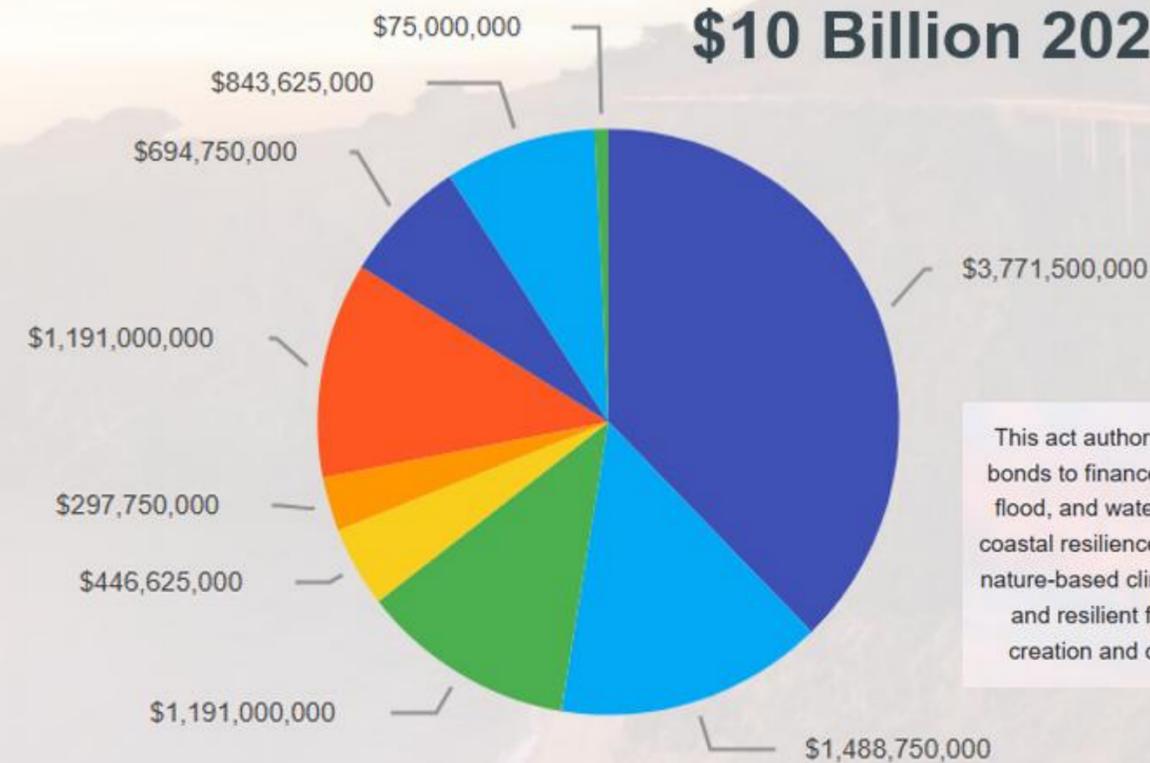
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\$10 Billion 2024 Climate Bond



This act authorizes \$10 billion in state general obligation bonds to finance projects for safe drinking water, drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate-smart, sustainable, and resilient farms, ranches, and working lands, park creation and outdoor access, and clean air programs.

- Safe Drinking Water, Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience
- Wildfire and Forest Resilience
- Extreme Heat Mitigation
- Climate Smart, Sustainable, and Resilient Farms, Ranches, and Working Lands
- Protect Biodiversity and Accelerating Nature-Based Climate Solutions
- Park Creation and Outdoor Access
- Coastal Resilience
- Clean Air
- Statewide bond costs

Scan QR for



Bond Accountability Website



Proposition 4 Grants (Late 2025)

Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024

Prop 4 allocates \$48 Million to the BH UWC for the purpose of **reducing the risks of climate change impacts upon communities, fish and wildlife, and natural resources, and increase public access**

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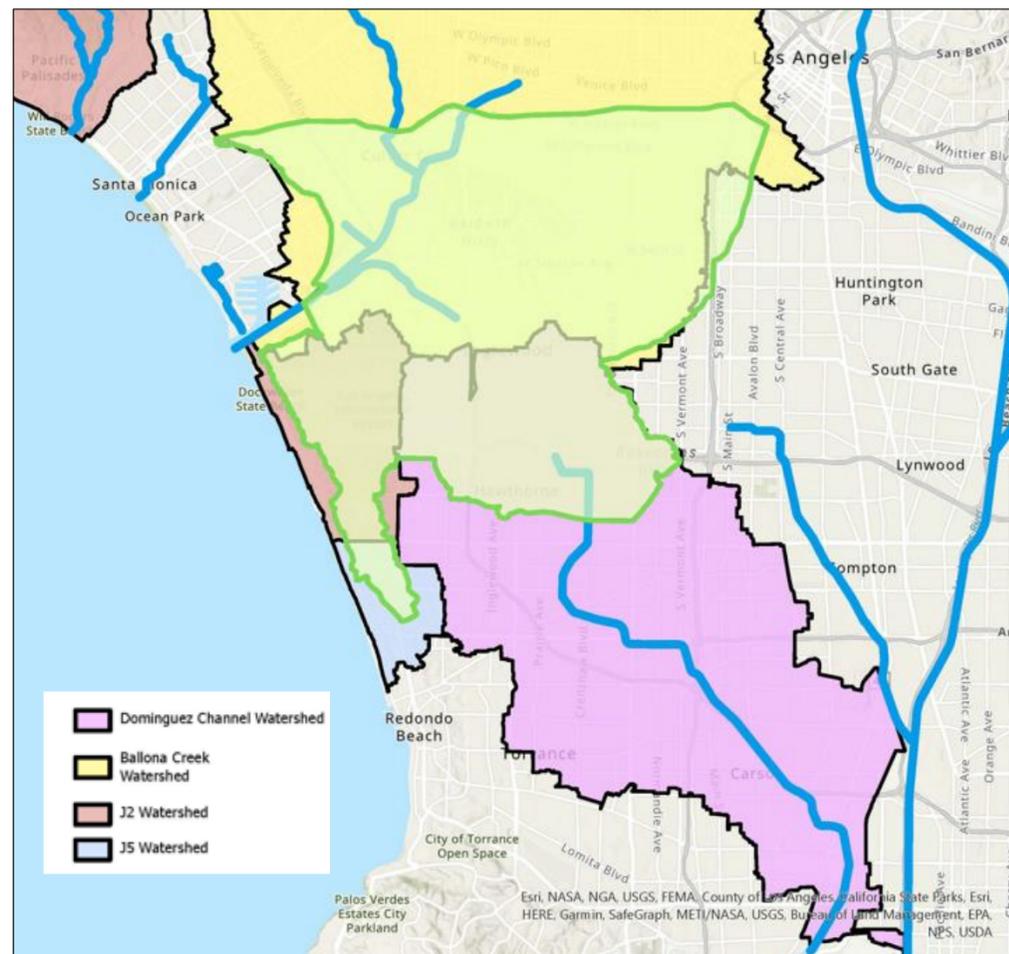
Proposals Accepted Year Round

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:

BH UWC Board Meeting Dates

AWARD RANGE:

\$50,000 - \$500,000



- ***Nature-based Climate Solutions***
- ***Water Resilience***
- ***Wildfire Prevention***
- ***Biodiversity Protection***

Another \$22 Million shall be available, upon appropriation from the Legislature, to the Wildlife Conservation Board for projects for **climate change adaptation improvements to protect, conserve, and restore the health and resilience of the Southern Ballona Creek Watershed.**

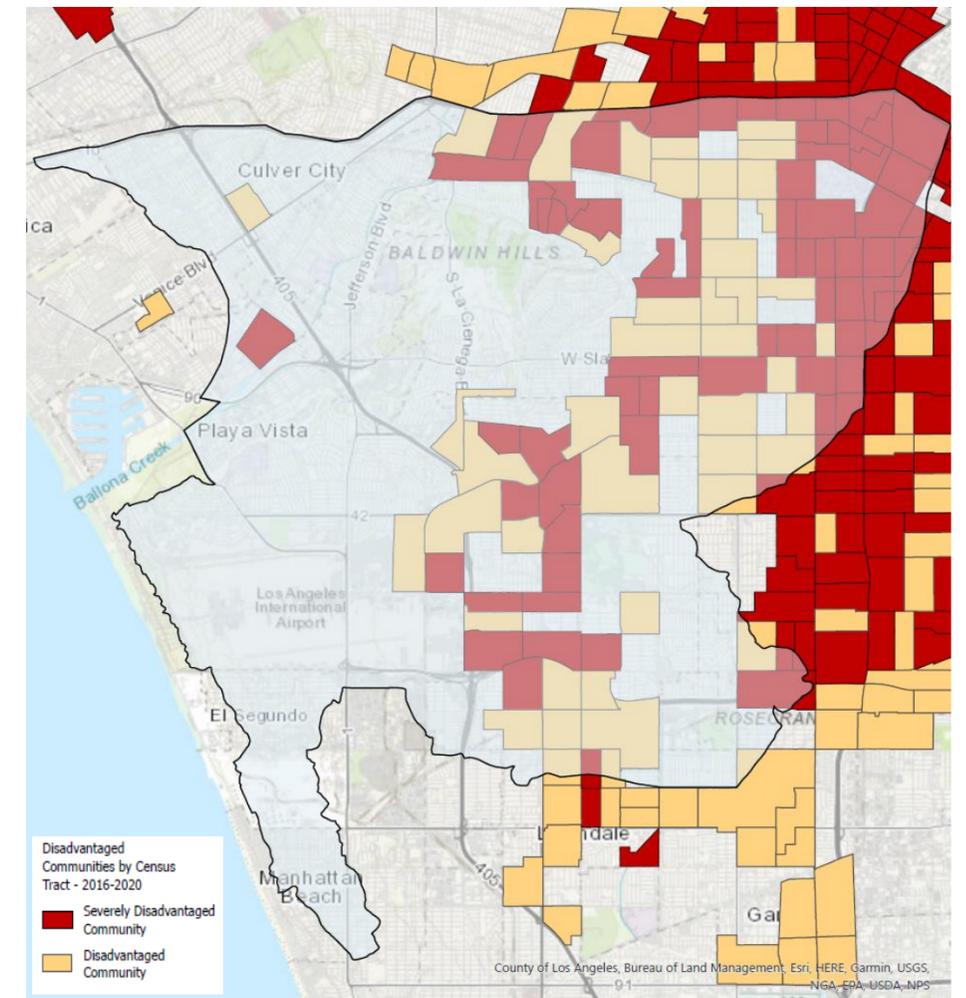
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Priority given to projects that:

- Protect Biodiversity and Accelerate Nature-Based Climate Solutions
- Provide Direct and Meaningful Benefits to **Climate Vulnerable and Disadvantaged Communities**
- Connect people with **Parks, Open-Spaces and Natural Areas**
- Address Regional **Climate Hazards and Vulnerabilities**
- Improve **Urban Watershed Health** and Promote **Environment Stewardship**



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Consolidated Grant (GC) Program



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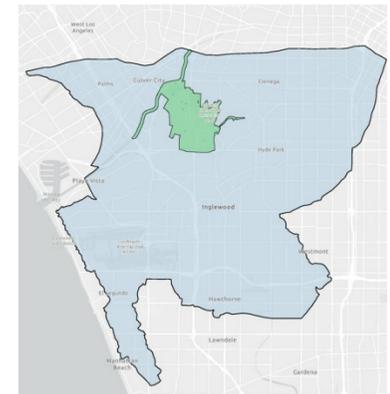
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– ***Consolidated Grant Program Guidelines***

– ***Conceptual Project Application Form***

– ***BH UWC Jurisdictional Territory Map***





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Wcb.ca.gov

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APPLICATION WINDOW:

Ongoing

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:

Ongoing

AWARD RANGE:

Variable (\$100,000 to millions)

Who we are

WCB is a granting agency under the CA Natural Resources Agency with a 7-member Board that meets quarterly

Goals:

- Protect and Restore Biodiversity
- Take Action on Climate Change
- Increase Access to Nature





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AWARD RANGE:

Variable (\$100,000 to millions)

What we do

Types of projects we support:

- Wildlife-oriented public access
- Wildlife crossings and connectivity
- Land conservation in fee
- Conservation easements on private land
- Ancestral land return
- Wetland/river restoration
- Forest and grassland health projects





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Funding opportunities



WCB supports restoration planning, acquisition and public access.

WCB's Public Access Program is trails, signs, facilities to support getting out to nature including hunting, fishing and hiking.

WCB does not fund:

- Capacity building
- Program support (e.g. education programs)
- Grant development



Proposition 4 – Climate Bond



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Who is eligible for WCB funds?

- Public entities including local agencies
- Non-profit organizations
- Federally recognized tribes

When can projects begin?

Projects using Prop 4 funding would begin spring of 2026 and beyond. Grant terms are 3 – 5 years.

Prop 4 allocations will happen annually with state budget cycle.



Application Process



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- Continuously open, rolling application process at wcb.ca.gov/Grants
- Two step process – concept then full proposal
- Staff provide technical assistance
- Approved at four board meetings per year



Application Process

A strong proposal will:

- Meet Strategic Plan Goals and Targets
- Multiple Benefits
- Benefits for Justice Communities
- Broad Community Support
- Partnerships/Cost Share



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Key Resources

- Sign up to receive emails on front page of website
- wcb.ca.gov/Grants for pre-application template and submission
- Connect! See below for Insta, YouTube, etc.





Urban Greening Program

WEBSITE:

resources.ca.gov/grants/urban-greening

CONTACT:

urbangreening@resources.ca.gov

APPLICATION WINDOW:

Estimated March to May 2026

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:

Estimated November 2026

AWARD RANGE:

No minimum or maximum

What It Funds:

Projects that mitigate the urban heat island effect, rising temperatures, and extreme heat impacts.

Available Funding:

- Approximately \$46 million per round
- 2 funding rounds anticipated
- Round 1 expected early- to mid-2026



Wishing Tree Park Project in unincorporated West Carson by Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust and Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation





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No minimum or maximum



Emerald Necklace Jackson Watershed Discovery Campus Project
in Altadena by Amigos de Los Rios

Eligible Applicants:

- Public agencies
- Local agencies
- Nonprofit organizations
- Special districts
- Joint powers authorities
- Native American Tribes
- Public utilities
- Local publicly owned utilities
- Mutual water companies

Where Funds Go:

Statewide. Priority to projects providing direct & meaningful benefits to vulnerable populations, disadvantaged communities, or severely disadvantaged communities.





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No minimum or maximum

What's Eligible:

- Green streets and alleyways
- Schoolyard greening
- Park creation/greening
- Tree canopy expansion
- Green infrastructure (e.g. green roofs, rain gardens, permeable surfaces)
- Community gardens
- Other projects to mitigate extreme heat

What's Not Eligible:

- Property acquisitions
- Gray infrastructure
- New roads, parking lots, or bridges for motorized use
- Multiple projects included in one application
- Planning only
- Deferred maintenance





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East Los Angeles Sustainable Median Stormwater Capture Project by Los Angeles County





Youth Community Access Program



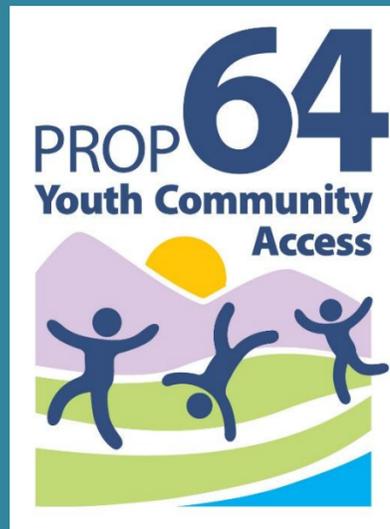
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APPLICATION WINDOW:
Summer 2026

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:
December 2026

AWARD RANGE:
TBD



What it funds:

Competitive grants to support youth access to natural or cultural resources with a focus on low-income and disadvantaged communities.

Available Funding:

Varies, but typically about \$18 million per grant cycle.

Funding Source:

Marijuana sales tax (made possible by Proposition 64) deposited into the Youth Education, Prevention, Early Intervention and Treatment Account (YEPEITA).



YCA-funded winter camp program by L.A.-based nonprofit, New Economics for Women.



Youth Community Access Program



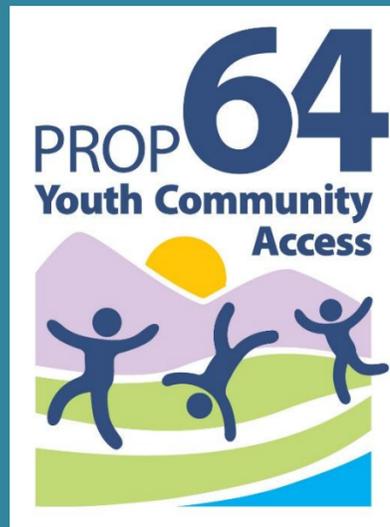
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Program Revisions in Process:

- Draft revised YCA guidelines anticipated to be released for public comment in January/February 2026
- Project types, grant amounts, and application process may change after public input
- Sign up for the CNRA GovDelivery listserv to be notified of program updates



YCA-funded program by the Fernandeno Tatavim Band of Mission Indians



YCA-funded program by the Jewish Big Brothers Big Sisters of LA



Environmental Enhancement & Mitigation



WEBSITE:
resources.ca.gov/grants/environmental-enhancement-and-mitigation-eem

CONTACT:
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APPLICATION WINDOW:
April to June 2026

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:
March 2027

AWARD RANGE:
Max: \$750,000 (Development)
\$1.5 million (Acquisition)

What it funds:

Projects that mitigate environmental impacts caused by construction or modification of **transportation facilities** (e.g., streets, highways, light rail lines, mass transit stations, park & ride facilities, etc.)



Transportation facility project causes environmental impacts



EEM project mitigates environmental impacts of transportation project





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Available Funding:

- \$6.7 million annually from transportation funds
- Oversight by the California Transportation Commission (CTC)

Where funds go:

- 60% to southern counties
- 40% to northern counties.

Eligible Applicants:

- Local, State, Federal agencies
- Nonprofit organizations
- Federally-Recognized Tribes





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What's Eligible



**Urban
Forestry**

Projects to offset vehicular emissions of carbon dioxide

- Tree and understory plantings
- Greening existing public lands and structures
- Restoration of urban creeks



**Resource
Lands**

Projects to mitigate negative impacts to resource lands caused by construction of a transportation facility

- Acquisition of resource lands for conservation
- Removal of invasive and restoration of native species
- Enhancement or restoration of natural areas



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What's Not Eligible:

- Projects without a connection between environmental damage caused by a transportation facility and the proposed EEM project
- Projects where CEQA has not been completed
- Planning-only projects
- Educational or training programs
- Commuter trails
- Projects that create or improve roads for motorized use
- Property acquisition for more than fair market value





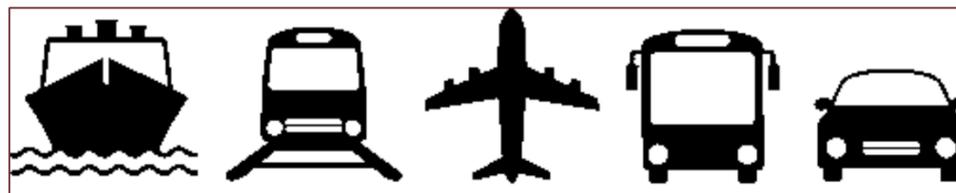
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Carpinteria State Beach Dunes Restoration Project by California State Parks



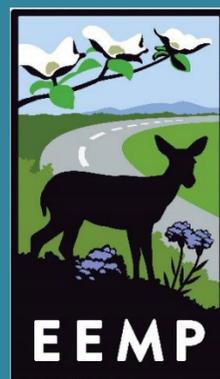
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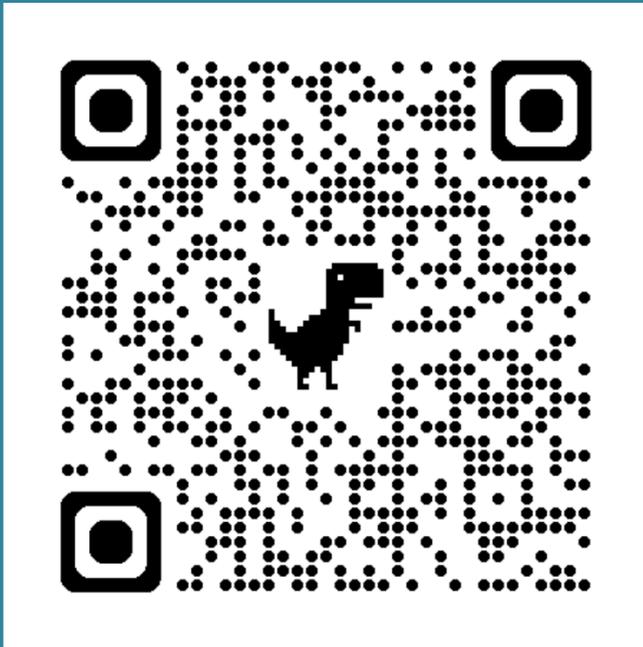
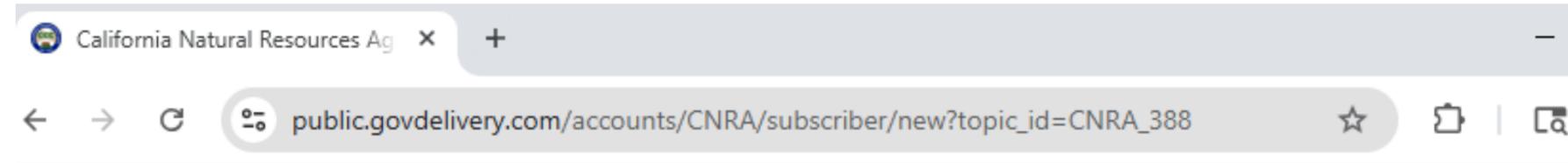
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Annual Allocation – Non-Competitive

Measure A generated \$117.5 Million in 2024

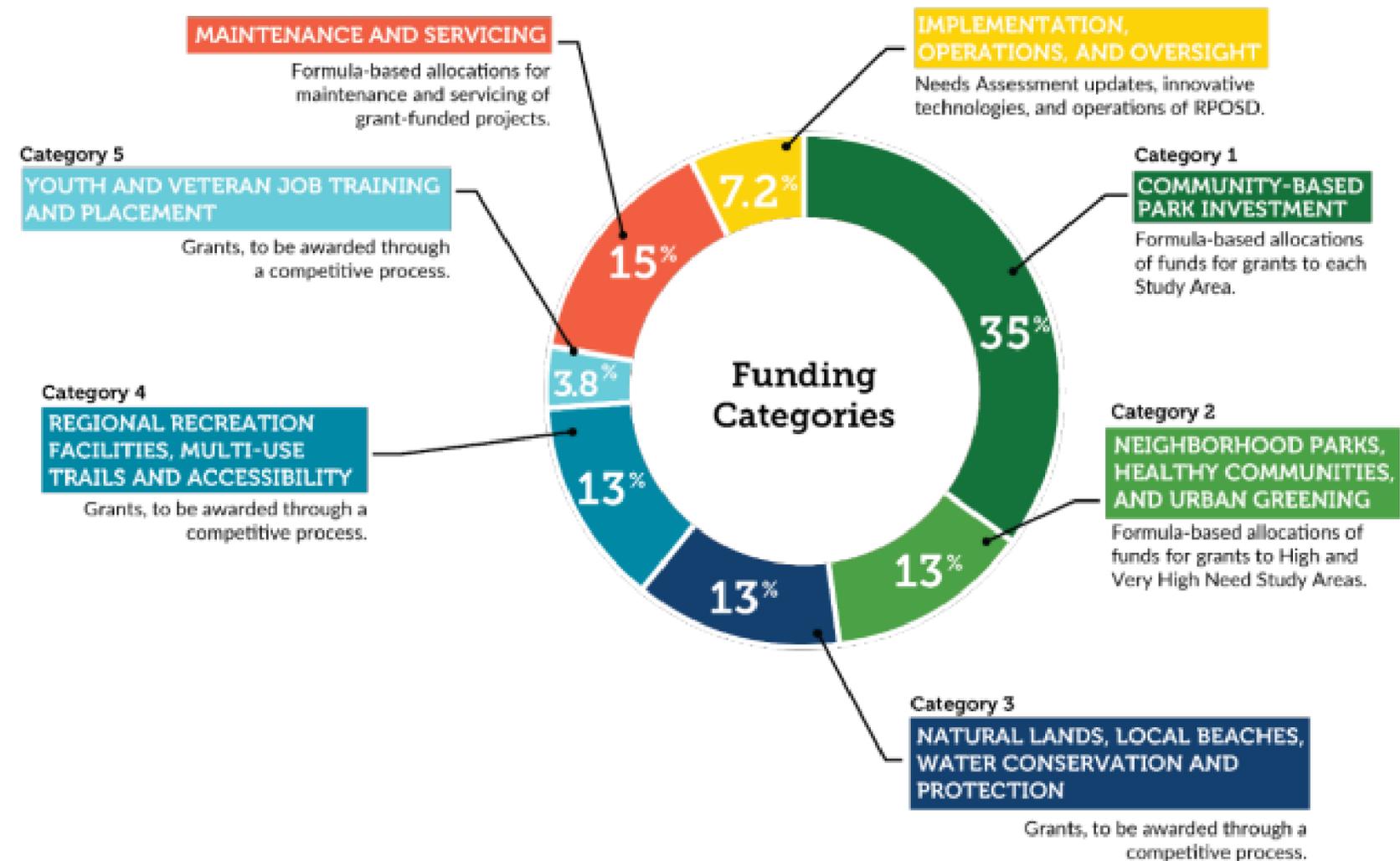
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APPLICATION WINDOW:
In perpetuity!

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:
Rolling Basis

AWARD RANGE:
Variable





Annual Allocation – Non-Competitive

What it funds:

- **Category 1 and 2 Funds:**
 - Planning
 - Design
 - Construction
 - Acquisition
- **Maintenance and Servicing**
 - Repair, replacement, and upkeep of projects previously funded by Measure A and Proposition A.
 - Does not include operations and programming!

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Annual Allocation - Non-Competitive

Where funds go:

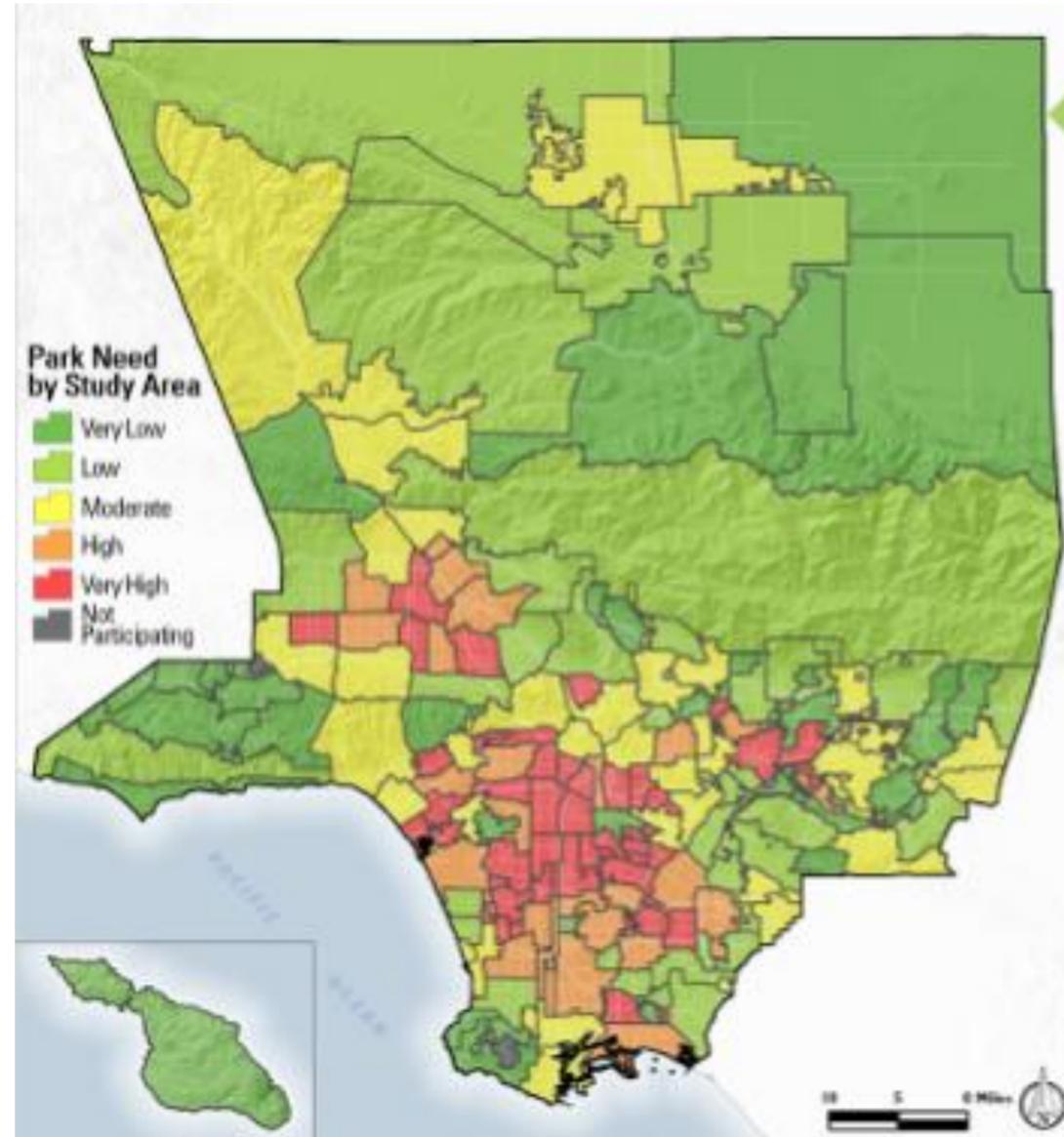
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AWARD RANGE:
\$30,000 – available balance



**188 Study
Areas
=
188 Separate
Accounts**

Only Agencies of Record May Apply



Annual Allocation – Non-Competitive

Check your balance! Deposit just made September 15

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Reports

- Proposition A - Maintenance & Servicing and Monthly Balance [PDF EXCEL](#)
- Measure A - Annual Allocations and Monthly Balance [PDF EXCEL](#)
- Measure A - Maintenance & Servicing and Monthly Balance [PDF EXCEL](#)
- Measure A - Funding for Programs in Categories 3, 4, 5 [PDF](#)



ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS & BALANCES

Category 1 and 2
Please note, balances may not reflect commitments made in the last 2-3 weeks

As of 10/01/2025

Study Area Name	SA #	Year.Category	Allocation	Committed	Available
	81	2018.1	\$ 77,429.85	\$ 77,429.85	\$ -
		2019.1	\$ 80,942.16	\$ 80,942.16	\$ -
		2020.1	\$ 87,430.15	\$ 87,430.15	\$ -
		2021.1	\$ 87,443.71	\$ 87,443.71	\$ -
		2022.1	\$ 91,932.69	\$ 91,932.43	\$ 0.26
		2023.1	\$ 89,567.77	\$ 89,567.77	\$ -
		2024.1	\$ 95,607.05	\$ -	\$ 95,607.05
		2025.1	\$ 95,855.38	\$ -	\$ 95,855.38



Technical Assistance Program



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APPLICATION WINDOW:
Ends 8/31/2027

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Rolling Basis

AWARD RANGE:
\$30,000 – available balance

Eligible Study Areas for TAP Allocations

CITIES IN LA COUNTY		LA COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS	
Very High Need	High Need	Very High Need	High Need
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baldwin Park Bell Bell Gardens Bellflower Cudahy El Monte Glendale (South) Hawthorne Huntington Park Inglewood Lawndale Maywood Paramount South Gate West Hollywood 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alhambra Artesia Carson Compton Downey Gardena La Puente Lynwood Norwalk San Fernando Temple City Torrance (North) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bassett – West Puente Valley East Los Angeles – Northwest East Los Angeles – Southwest East Rancho Dominguez East San Gabriel – Arcadia Florence – Firestone Hawthorne Lennox Norwalk Walnut Park West Athens West Carson 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charter Oak Islands Del Aire Willowbrook
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City of Long Beach Long Beach West City of Los Angeles Boyle Heights Canoga Park Central City Exposition Park- University Park Hollywood South Mission Hills North Hollywood Palms-Mar Vista South Los Angeles Southeast LA-North Southeast Los Angeles Van Nuys- North Sherman Oaks Venice West Adams Westlake Westwood-Veterans Center 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long Beach North Long Beach South Arleta- Pacoima Baldwin Hills – Leimert Hills Central City- North Harbor Gateway Northridge Reseda-West Van Nuys Sun Valley- La Tuna Canyon Valley Glen West LA Westchester-Playa del Rey/LAX Wilshire Wilshire West 	

To learn more about how Study Areas are designated and how Park Needs are measured, please refer to the *Los Angeles Countywide Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment (PNA)* conducted in 2016.




LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT




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Ends 8/31/2027

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:
Rolling Basis

AWARD RANGE:
\$5,000 – available balance

Technical Assistance Program



Eligible Use of TAP Funds



Early-Stage Planning

- Community engagement and visioning
- Project scoping and partnership development
- Parkland opportunity mapping
- Land inventory and site identification
- Equity-focused outreach and needs assessment

Feasibility & Due Diligence

- Feasibility studies/ site readiness assessment
- Environmental studies (e.g., CEQA, Phase I/II)
- Soils or hydrology reports
- Biological, cultural, or habitat assessments
- Title review or appraisal

Acquisition

- Purchase of land, including but not limited to escrow, title, or closing support
- Acquisition/ due diligence

Design

- Conceptual or schematic design
- Preliminary site layout / design alternatives
- Design refinement with community input
- Landscape design/ plant palette development
- Green infrastructure or stormwater integration
- Community engagement

Development Support (Pre-Construction)

- Permitting / entitlement support
- Cost estimation and phasing plan
- Bid package preparation
- Project management or owner's rep services
- Construction management planning (non-capital)

Construction (Non-Capital Support Only)

- Technical assistance related to Measure A compliance
- Construction timeline/ readiness support
- Site coordination or inspection support



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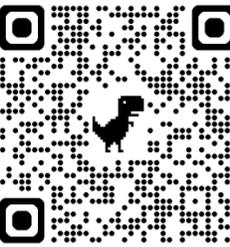
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Technical Assistance Program



A. DIRECT TAP ALLOCATION FUND - \$5,150,000

1. Overview

The Direct TAP Allocation Fund provides dedicated, non-competitive technical assistance funding to jurisdictions located in High and Very High Need Study Areas. These funds are intended to support eligible activities that advance new parkland.

2. Funding Limits

A total of **\$5,150,000** is allocated for Direct TAP Allocations in 2025:

- Very High Need Study Areas: \$150,000 each (total: \$2,250,000)
- High Need Study Areas: \$100,000 each (total: \$1,200,000)
- City of Los Angeles: \$700,000
- County of Los Angeles: \$700,000
- City of Long Beach: \$300,000

B. PARTNERSHIP ALLOCATION - \$1,250,000

1. Overview

The Partnership Allocation provides additional non-competitive technical assistance funding for entities that collaborate with an eligible nonprofit organization or conservation corps. Like the Direct Allocation, these funds support planning, acquisition, and early development efforts for new or expanded publicly accessible parkland—but are only available when the work is delivered through a documented, eligible partnership. Funds may be used for separate or related Direct Allocation efforts and are *awarded on a first-come, first-served basis*, subject to funding availability.

2. Funding Limits

A total of \$1,250,000 is available through the Partnership Allocation:

- Up to \$125,000 per eligible entity, with a minimum request of \$50,000.
- Entities may submit multiple requests but may not exceed the cap.



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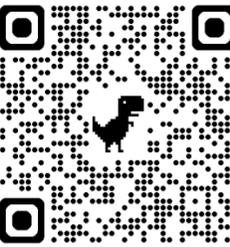
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Technical Assistance Program

How to apply:





Technical Assistance Program
TAP Request Form
2025 TAP Allocation Cycle

Instructions: Submit this form to tap@rposd.lacounty.gov to request TAP funding.

Date	
Name of Eligible Entity	
Primary Contact Name	
Title	
E-mail	
Phone number	

1) Funding Type Requested (select one)

Direct Allocation

Partnership Allocation

Proposed partner: _____

2) Project Type (select one)

Site-Specific Project – tied to a known parcel that will result in new or expanded parkland

New Park

Expansion of existing

Early-Stage Planning Project – not yet tied to a specific site, but supports park creation

3) Total Fund Request

\$ _____

4) Project Overview

- Proposed Project Name:

- Brief Project Summary (2-3 Sentences)



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7/15/2025 – 10/30/2025

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2025 Competitive Grants



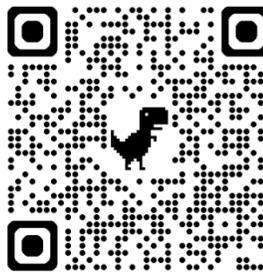
LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

2025 COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAMS

\$58 Million available for planning and development in parks and open spaces across Los Angeles County!



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7/15/2025 – 10/30/2025

ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:
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PLANNING & DESIGN COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM



Total Available Funding: \$18 million

- Category 3: \$9 million
- Category 4: \$9 million

This new program supports **pre-construction** efforts that lead to shovel-ready development projects aligned with the goals of Categories 3 and 4.

Minimum and Maximum Grant Request



Required Match:

None, although leverage of federal or state, park, conservation, water, or climate funding programs is strongly encouraged. This includes applicant use of existing Measure A funding.

Examples of eligible grant scope include, but not limited to:

- Conceptual or schematic design
- Project scoping
- Development of construction documents and bid documents
- CEQA and permitting work
- Feasibility and technical assessments of specific site(s)
- Land surveys
- Cost estimates
- Community engagement



Performance Period:

2 years from date of grant agreement execution





2025 Competitive Grants



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ANTICIPATED AWARD DATE:
Spring 2026



**CATEGORY 3:
NATURAL LANDS, LOCAL BEACHES,
WATER CONSERVATION & PROTECTION**



Total Available Funding: \$24 million

This program funds **multi-benefit projects** that improve and protect natural lands, open space, and water resources through development and restoration. Projects may improve water quality, restore habitat, expand park space, or enhance public access to rivers, beaches, lakes, and other natural systems. Priority will be given to projects offering the greatest regional benefit or addressing the most critical needs. Shovel-ready implementation is required.

Minimum and Maximum Grant Request



Required Match:

None, although leverage of federal or state, park, conservation, water, or climate funding programs is strongly encouraged. This includes applicant use of existing Measure A funding.

Examples of eligible project types include, but are not limited to:

- Riparian corridor improvements
- River and stream parkway development
- River and stream clean up, access and development
- Lake clean up, access and development
- Beach and coastal watersheds clean-up, access and development
- Fishing and boating facilities
- Natural lands, wildlife corridors, and watershed protection
- Recreational facilities, public property and rights of way, flood control infrastructure, and other easements



Performance Period:

Up to 4 years from date of grant agreement execution



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CATEGORY 4: REGIONAL RECREATION, MULTI-USE TRAILS & ACCESSIBILITY



Total Available Funding: \$16 million

This program supports **regional-scale** recreation projects that improve access to nature, increase countywide connectivity, and serve broad populations. A regional-scale project is one that serves, connects, or benefits a broad cross-jurisdictional area—typically extending beyond a single neighborhood, community, or city—and is accessible to a countywide or multi-community population. Shovel-ready implementation is required.

Minimum and Maximum Grant Request



Required Match:

None, although leverage of federal or state, park, conservation, water, or climate funding programs is strongly encouraged. This includes applicant use of existing Measure A funding.

Examples of eligible project types include:

- Park, facility, museum, cultural, and other facilities with regional impact.
- Multi-use sports and community recreational facilities serving regional needs
- Multi-use trail and path projects
- Regional, ecological, zoological, geological, archeological, anthropological, paleontological, and cultural sites of countywide significance.
- Expanding ADA-compliant access sites with regional impact

Performance Period:

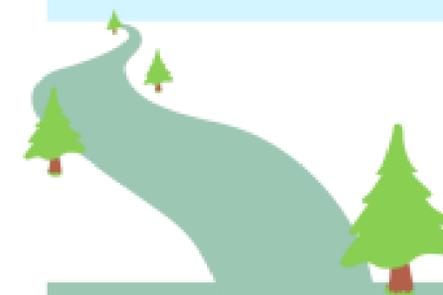
4 years from date of grant agreement execution



Regional Scale Requirement

Category 4 is intended to fund development projects that serve, connect, or impact a region at large—beyond a single neighborhood, city, or park agency boundary. Applications to this category must demonstrate clear regional significance by meeting multiple criteria listed below.

Projects consisting of small-scale neighborhood improvements—such as playgrounds, fitness zones, or localized upgrades within a neighborhood park—will not be considered regional in scale unless they are clearly part of a broader regional system and meet the criteria below.



To qualify as regional-scale, a project must demonstrate benefits that go beyond the immediate community, advance countywide or regional goals, and be designed to serve a broad and diverse population—not just nearby residents.

Projects must meet **at least three** of the following criteria to be considered regional-scale:

- Serve multiple jurisdictions or census-defined communities
- Demonstrated usage by visitors from beyond the local area
- Advance a priority identified in a Countywide, State, or Regional Plan
- Address a regional service gap, provide a key access point to a regional resource, or create a linkage within a larger regional network
- Involve partnerships or joint implementation with other cities, counties, or regional agencies



Projects must fulfill the Regional Scale Requirement in order to be an appropriate applicant for Category 4.

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FUTURE Competitive Grants



Competitive Grants Calendar

Open to eligible government agencies, special districts, joint powers authorities, nonprofit organizations, and schools. For more details, [click here](#).

Program	Fund Category	Frequency	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Acquisition-Only	3 & 4	3 years	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Natural Lands, Local Beaches, Water Conservation and Protection	3	3 years		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Planning and Design	3 & 4	3 years		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Recreation Access	3 & 4	3 years			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Regional Recreation, Multi-use Trails & Accessibility	4	3 years		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
County Cultural Facilities	4	3 years			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Youth and Veteran Job Training and Placement	5	3 years			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Note: RPOSD, at its discretion, may make changes to this calendar for any of these competitive grants.



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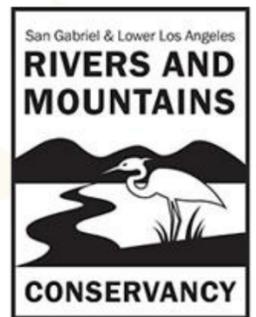
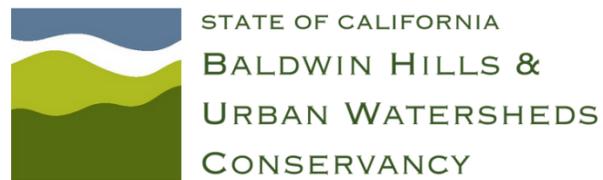
Looking forward to 2026



1. **New grants management system**
2. **Revamped parks portal and investment viewer**
3. **Revised grants administration manual**

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