



CDFW - Watershed Restoration Grants Branch (WRGB)

Simplified Summary of Benefits: \$200 million in new funding for multi-benefit ecosystem restoration and protection projects under Drought, Climate and Nature-Based Solutions Initiatives. This funding is for restoration and protection of critical habitat and watersheds statewide. All projects must have a benefit to fish and wildlife.

- Drought Resiliency – Protecting Salmon (\$100 million)
 - Up to \$10 million available for projects within the Scott River and its tributaries
 - Up to \$10 million available for projects within the Shasta River and its tributaries
- Projects will need to show support from Native American Tribes and local landowners or landowner associations when applying
- Addressing Climate Impacts (\$35 million)
- Nature Based Solutions
 - Wetlands and Mountain Meadows Restoration (\$54 million)
 - Wildlife Corridors (\$42 million)

Examples of project types (should not be viewed as exhaustive list):

- Planning
- Implementation
- Acquisition
- Monitoring

Point of Contact & Consultation Request: WatershedGrants@wildlife.ca.gov

Funding Amounts: Dependent on project needs

Required Applicant Cost-Share: 0%

Website: <https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Watersheds/Restoration-Grants/Concept-Application>

Notes:

Concept Proposal should include the following:

- Project Description
- Scope of Work with tasks and deliverables
- Schedule
- Map, plans and other available attachments

Continuous Application and Review

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Funding Source Name: **Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)**

Simplified Summary of Benefits: Over \$200 million in stream flow enhancement funding available. The Stream Flow Enhancement Program (SFEP) funds projects that enhance stream flows across the state of California. The SFEP defines enhanced streamflow to mean: *a change in the amount, timing, and/or quality of water flowing down a stream, or a portion of a stream, to benefit fish and wildlife.*

Examples of project types (should not be viewed as exhaustive list):

- Water Transactions (refer to California Water Code section 79709)
 - Acquisition of water or water rights from willing sellers
 - Short- or long-term water transfers and leases
 - Forbearance agreements
- Water conservation projects
 - Off-channel water storage
 - Changes in the timing or rate of diversion or source water supply
 - Irrigation ditch lining or piping
 - Stock-water systems
 - Agricultural tailwater recovery/management systems
- Changing points of diversion
- Groundwater storage and conjunctive use
- Stream flow gauging
- Scientific studies

Funding available until: **June 30, 2025**

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Funding Amounts: Dependent on project needs

Required Applicant Cost-Share: 0%

Website: <https://wcb.ca.gov/Programs/Stream-Flow-Enhancement>

Notes: WCB uses a single continuous grant application process for all proposed projects. The process begins with a Pre-Application (Word); however, Applicants can consult with WCB staff at any time, including before submitting a Pre-application. For more information and the Pre-Application click here: <https://wcb.ca.gov/Grants>