



OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

EDA 2018 Resilience Grant Opportunity for federally declared disaster areas in 2017. The US Economic Development Administration (EDA) recently announced a new funding opportunity for disaster recovery project activities.

- No deadline for application
- Projects must be related to disaster declared counties
- \$93,810,000 allocated for West coast
- \$587 million available nationwide

Subject to the availability of funds, this investment assistance will help communities and regions devise and implement long-term economic recovery strategies through a variety of non-construction and construction projects, as appropriate, to address economic challenges in areas where a Presidential declaration of a major disaster was issued under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. § 5121 et seq.) (Stafford Act) as a result of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and of wildfires and other natural disasters occurring in calendar year 2017.

<https://www.eda.gov/programs/disaster-recovery/2018-supplemental/>

FREE Erosion Control for Tubbs and Redwood Fire Victims - Attention Property Owners:

You may not be aware, but you are responsible for installing and maintaining erosion controls to prevent sediment and other pollutants from leaving your property when it rains and during the rebuilding process. Russian Riverkeeper is here to help you meet that requirement at NO COST to you.

<https://russianriverkeeper.org/wp-content/uploads/erosion-flyer.pdf>

Veterans interested in farming can get help with funding through the USDA.

<https://www.farmers.gov/media/blog/2018/07/03/are-you-veteran-interested-farming-usda-can-help>

A new request form is available to small, disadvantaged communities in need of **technical assistance to develop projects for Proposition 1** funding programs. The Office of Sustainable Water Solutions is offering the assistance. Potential types of help to be made available include legal, project coordination, and environmental analysis.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1/docs/prop1_ta_fac_t_sheet.pdf

Fire Recovery Funding: State Waterboards has compiled a list of funding availability for grants and loans relevant to fire recovery projects. Various due dates, many ongoing.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/publications_and_forms/available_documents/pdf/17102_5_FireRecoveryFunds_Final.pdf

DWR Save Our Water Rebates. Turf replacement and toilet rebates are available for individual homeowners through the Department of Water Resources. <http://www.saveourwaterrebates.com/>

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LandSmart Carbon Farm Plan applications are available through the Gold Ridge RCD for agricultural enterprises in the RCD's jurisdiction. The RCD and its LandSmart® partners are developing carbon farm plans as an integral component of the comprehensive conservation plans developed through the LandSmart® program. Carbon farm plans identify practices that allow agricultural operations to increase carbon sequestration and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. These practices provide multiple benefits for climate change resiliency, by reducing atmospheric CO₂ levels while improving soil health, water holding capacity, and crop and forage production. Carbon farming practices may also promote water conservation and reduce irrigation needs, which in turn may reduce stream withdrawals and enhance water quality and instream habitat. Finally, practices such as hedgerows and windbreaks work to both sequester CO₂ while enhancing on-farm wildlife and pollinator habitat. Applications are taken on a continuous basis. <http://goldridgercd.org/htm/carbon-farm-planning.htm>

Funding for Small Scale Water Storage Projects through the Coho Partnership Program: Dutch Bill and Green Valley Creek Watersheds in Sonoma County. Gold Ridge RCD, in collaboration with the Coho Partnership, is seeking eligible landowners for participation in a voluntary water storage program in Green Valley and Dutch Bill Creek Watersheds. Residents living in the upper reaches of these creeks who get water directly from the creek or shallow, near-stream wells may be eligible for funds to design and construct water storage systems with the RCD. Storage systems include rainwater catchment, off-channel storage in tanks or ponds, and water use efficiency projects. <http://www.goldridgercd.org/htm/alternative-water-source-and-storage.htm>

Groundwater Sustainability Plans and Projects. The Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant Program is designed to provide funding for projects that develop and implement groundwater plans and projects consistent with sustainable groundwater planning. http://water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/sgwp/sgwp_docs/2017_SGWP_Grant_PSP_09132017.pdf

US Standard North American Wetlands Conservation Act Grants. The U.S. Standard Grants Program is a competitive, matching grants program that supports public-private partnerships carrying

out projects in the United States that further the goals of the [North American Wetlands Conservation Act](#) (NAWCA). These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds. Deadline for Cycle 1 is **February 23**, Cycle 2, **July 13**. <https://www.fws.gov/birds/grants/north-american-wetland-conservation-act/standard-grants/united-states.php>

WaterSMART Grants: Water Marketing Strategy Grants. Through the WaterSMART Water Marketing Strategy Grants, Reclamation provides cost-shared financial assistance to states, tribes, and local governments to develop water marketing strategies to establish or expand water markets or water marketing activities between willing participants, in compliance with state and Federal laws. **Due July 17.** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=301904>

DOT BUILD Transportation Program. The Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Transportation Discretionary Grants program replaces the pre-existing Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program. As the Administration looks to enhance America's infrastructure, FY 2018 BUILD Transportation grants are for investments in surface transportation infrastructure and are to be awarded on a competitive basis for projects that will have a significant local or regional impact. BUILD funding can support roads, bridges, transit, rail, ports or intermodal transportation. Projects for BUILD will be evaluated based on merit criteria that include safety, economic competitiveness, quality of life, environmental protection, state of good repair, innovation, partnership, and additional non-Federal revenue for future transportation infrastructure investments. **Due July 19.** <https://www.transportation.gov/BUILDgrants>

DOI National Park Service: Land and Water Conservation Fund State and Local Assistance Program. This notice of funding opportunity is to advise States, local units of government, and Indian Tribes of the potential availability of funds in their State for grants from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to acquire and/or develop lands for public outdoor recreation purposes. The LWCF State and Local Assistance Program was established in 1964 to assist in preserving, developing and assuring accessibility to present and future generations of U.S. citizens and visitors "such quality and quantity of outdoor recreation resources as may be available and are necessary and desirable for individual active participation in such recreation and to strengthen the health and vitality of the citizens of the U.S." This is accomplished in part by authorizing and providing grants to States, and through States to local units of government and Indian tribes, for projects that acquire lands and waters for parks and other public outdoor recreation purposes, as well as develop new or renovate existing outdoor recreation facilities. Certain State agencies may also apply for and receive grants for the preparation or update of Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans (SCORP) or supporting elements, which are required by law for overall program eligibility. **Due July 31.** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=305987>

Fiscal Year 2018 Recovery Implementation Fund Grants. This Recovery Implementation funding opportunity is intended for projects that will contribute to the recovery of FWS-managed endangered and threatened species in the United States, and is limited to projects carrying out actions described in a species approved recovery plan, in the implementation schedule of a species approved recovery plan,

actions recommended in a completed 5-year status review of the species or in a spotlight species action plan, or projects documenting species response to climate change. For example: securing scientific information about endangered or threatened species, implementing restoration actions that will lead to delisting of a species, help prevent extinction of a species, or aid in the recovery of a species. **Due July 31.** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=299570>

WaterSMART Grants: Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects. This Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects funding opportunity announcement (FOA) supports specific small-scale water efficiency projects that have been prioritized through planning efforts led by the applicant. Applications due **July 31.** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=301905>

Groundwater Grant Programs Round 2 Concept Proposals. The deadline to submit concept proposals is **August 3.**
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1/groundwater_sustainability.shtml

California Watershed Protection Fund. The Rose Foundation offers funding to support projects designed to benefit the water quality of many of California's watersheds and their ecosystems. The fund is currently accepting applications related to: Humboldt Bay, Mad River, and Russian River, among other watersheds in the state. **A letter of inquiry is due August 17th.** <https://rosefdn.org/california-watershed-protection-fund>

CARB now accepting Research Concepts. The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is accepting research concepts from the general public. Submitted concepts will be reviewed to inform which projects may be funded in the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Concept submissions consist of a title and a brief (300 words or less) description of your research concept. Your description should articulate why this concept is relevant to CARB's policies and/or programs. It should include a clearly stated research objective, brief description of methods that could or would be employed, and what the final product or deliverable of the research would be. Information on time and funding needed to conduct the research is helpful but not required. Only concepts that clearly demonstrate policy relevance to CARB will be considered.

CARB's current research priorities are summarized on the research concept solicitation webpage, and described in more detail in the Triennial Research Plan for Fiscal Years 2018-2021.

Deadline: **August 24, 2018**, 5:00 pm, PST https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/research-planning/research-concept-solicitation?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Patagonia Environmental Grants. Patagonia funds only environmental work and is most interested in providing grants to organizations that identify and work on the root causes of problems and that approach issues with a commitment to long-term change. They believe true change will occur only through a strong grassroots movement and focus on organizations that build a strong base of citizen

support. Application deadlines are on May 1 and **August 31** annually.

<http://www.patagonia.com/environmental-grants.html>

EPA Tribal Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program. The EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality is soliciting proposals nationwide for projects that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions in terms of tons of pollution produced by diesel engines and diesel emissions exposure, particularly from fleets located in areas designated as having poor air quality. Further, priority for funding will be given to projects which result in outcomes that benefit affected communities, those that engage affected communities with respect to the design and performance of the project, and those which can demonstrate the ability to promote and continue efforts to reduce emissions after the project has ended. Due September 6. <https://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel/clean-diesel-tribal-grants#2018rfp>

DOI National Park Service: Land and Water Conservation Fund Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program. This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is to advise States, local units of government, and federally-recognized Indian Tribes of the availability of funds for grants from the Land and Water Conservation Fund's (LWCF) Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program. The purpose of the LWCF ORLP is to provide grants to acquire and/or develop public lands for outdoor recreation purposes consistent with the purposes of the LWCF, but with the further specific goals of funding projects that:

- Are located within or serve jurisdictions delineated by the Census Bureau from the 2010 Census as "urbanized areas," that is, areas with a population of 50,000 or more people and consisting of densely settled territory.
- Are located in or are directly accessible to neighborhoods or communities that are underserved in terms of parks and recreation resources and where there are significant populations of people who are economically disadvantaged.

Applications **Due September 14.** <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=303181>

Partners for Fish and Wildlife. The Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program is a voluntary, incentive-based program that provides direct technical assistance and financial assistance in the form of cooperative agreements to private landowners to restore and conserve fish and wildlife habitat for the benefit of federal trust resources. The PFW Program is delivered through more than 250 full-time staff, active in all 50 States and territories. Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program staff coordinate with project partners, stakeholders and other Service programs to identify geographic focus areas and develop habitat conservation priorities within these focus areas. Geographic focus areas define where the program directs resources to conserve habitat for federal trust species. Project work plans are developed strategically, in coordination with partners, and with substantial involvement from Service field staff. Projects must advance the Department of the Interior's mission, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's mission, and PFW's mission, promote biological diversity, and based upon sound scientific biological principles. Program strategic plans inform the types of projects funded under this opportunity. Applicants seeking funding under this program should contact the appropriate PFW Regional Program

office prior to submitting an application for funding. Applications due **September 30, 2018**.

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>

ONGOING ASSISTANCE

Drinking Water for Schools Grant Program. The Drinking Water for Schools Grant Program will provide \$9.5 million in funding to improve access to, and the quality of, drinking water in public schools pursuant to Senate Bill 828. Projects must be in schools that serve disadvantaged communities as defined by the state. https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/schools/

Household & Small Water System Drought Assistance Program. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) authorized \$5 million to assist individual households and small water systems to address drought-related drinking water emergencies. Funds are administered by three non-profit organizations. Funding is available as low-interest loans and/or grants based on recipient's income and affordability.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/caa/dw_droughtfund/docs/hsw_sda_funding_factsheet.pdf

Proposition 1 Technical Assistance (TA) Funding Program. Proposition 1 authorized \$7.545 billion in general obligation bonds for water projects including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection. Prop 1 requires the State Water Board to operate a multidisciplinary TA program for small disadvantaged communities, and allows for the State Water Board to fund TA.

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1/tech_asst_funding.shtml

No-cost Technical Assistance for Tribal Governments from DOE. The DOE Office of Indian Energy provides federally recognized Indian tribes, including Alaska Native villages, tribal energy resource development organizations, and other organized tribal groups and communities, with technical assistance to advance tribal energy projects at no cost. Technical experts from DOE and its national laboratories, along with other partnering organizations, provide support to assist Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages with energy planning, housing and building energy efficiency, project development, policy and regulation, resilience, and village power.

<https://energy.gov/indianenergy/technical-assistance/request-technical-assistance>

The State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance (DFA), has launched a “**Funding Finder**” to assist you in finding the most appropriate funding source for your water quality project. After answering a few simple questions about your project, the “Funding Finder” will provide you with DFA’s currently available funding source(s).

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/applications/index.shtml

NREL Energy Efficiency Technical Assistance Team. The Energy Efficiency Technical Assistance Team is a network of energy efficiency policy and implementation experts who provide timely, unbiased expertise to assist policymakers and regulators in making informed decisions about energy efficiency

programs and policies. Requests for technical assistance must be submitted by state officials, including state legislative or regulatory bodies and their staff members. <https://www.nrel.gov/technical-assistance/states.html>

Ecosystem Restoration on Agricultural Lands. The Wildlife Conservation Board's agricultural program is formally known as the Ecosystem Restoration on Agricultural Lands (ERAL) program. The intent of the funding is to assist landowners in developing wildlife friendly practices on their properties that can be sustained and co-exist with agricultural operations. In California, a large number of wildlife species are dependent on privately owned agricultural lands for habitat. Agricultural lands can provide significant habitat and connectivity with protected wildlife areas. In many cases agricultural landowners are willing to integrate wildlife habitat benefits into the management and operations of their properties, but lack the capital and/or expertise to implement these practices. Applications accepted on a continuous basis. <https://www.wcb.ca.gov/Programs/Agricultural-Lands>

Proposition 1 Funding is available for Drinking water through the **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund** Program and Wastewater Funding is being administered through the **Clean Water State Revolving Fund** Program. Applications are continuously accepted online.

- <https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov/>
- http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/services/funding/SRF.shtml
- http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

Clean Water State Revolving Fund's Loan Forgiveness for Green Projects. Effective with the Clean Water State Revolving Fund's (CWSRF) 2015 Capitalization Grant from U.S. EPA, the State Water Resources Control Board will provide CWSRF loan (principal) forgiveness to projects that address water or energy efficiency, mitigate storm water runoff, or encourage sustainable project planning, design, and construction. The State Water Board has approximately \$30 million available in loan forgiveness from the 2015 Capitalization Grant.

Eligible Projects

Any CWSRF eligible project that is consistent with the [Green Project Reserve: Guidance for Determining Project Eligibility \(see page 50 of 94\)](#) or the attached excerpt from the Guidance. Green Project Reserve (GPR) measures eligible for loan forgiveness can be stand-alone projects or included as part of a larger CWSRF project.

Loan Forgiveness Limits

Fifty (50) percent of actual eligible costs, up to a maximum of \$2.5 million, for all measures consistent with the GPR Guidance document

Applications continuously accepted.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/

Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants. This program helps eligible communities prepare for, or recover from, an emergency that threatens the availability of safe, reliable drinking water for households and businesses. Areas that may be served include: Rural areas and towns with 10,000 or fewer people--check eligible addresses, Tribal Lands in rural areas. The area to be served must also have

a median household income less-than the state's median household income for non-metropolitan areas-
-contact your local RD office for details. Funds may be used for:

- Water transmission line grants up to \$150,000 are for construction of waterline extensions, repairs to breaks or leaks in existing water distribution lines, and related maintenance necessary to replenish water supply
- Water Source grants up to \$500,000 are for construction of a new water source, intake and/or treatment facility

Partnerships with other federal, state, local, private and NGOs are encouraged. Applications for this program are accepted through your local Rural Development Office **year-round**.

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/emergency-community-water-assistance-grants>

Groundwater Quality Funding Programs. Recent legislative changes created two groundwater quality funding (GWQF) programs to be implemented by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). These are:

- [Proposition 1 Groundwater Sustainability Program](#) (Assembly Bill 1471, Chapter 10)
- [Site Cleanup Subaccount Program](#) (SCAP) (Senate Bill 445, Hill, 2014)

The State Water Board will accept applications for projects to be funded by either GWQF program. The GWQF Pre-Application is the first step in the process to apply for projects requesting funds from Proposition 1 Groundwater Sustainability or the Site Cleanup Subaccount. The requested information is needed in order to review proposed projects based on the current requirements in law.

The State Water Board will determine which program, if any, is the most appropriate for each project; therefore, applicants do not need to designate a program preference. The GWQF Pre-Application must be submitted electronically using the [Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool \(FAAST\)](#). FAAST will automatically pre-load information from the GWQF Pre-Application into the Final Application; therefore, applicants will only need to enter information not provided in the GWQF Pre-Application. Final Applications are not yet available. Pre Application is currently accepting applications/surveys from 8/3/2015 12:00:00 PM through **8/3/2020 5:00:00 PM** via the [Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool \(FAAST\)](#).

Sonoma County Water Agency offers water-efficiency rebates for private well users Private well owners in the Russian River Watershed can now get rebates for toilet and turf replacement.

<http://www.scwa.ca.gov/drought/>

California Water Boards has released a **Notice of Funding Availability for Interim Emergency Drinking Water**. Public Agencies, Not-for-Profit Water Districts, Not-for-Profit Organizations, and Tribal Governments can apply for interim replacement drinking water for economically disadvantaged communities with contaminated water supplies.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/caa/dw_droughtfund/index.shtml

Planning and Local Technical Assistance Programs. Under the Planning and Local Technical Assistance programs grants, the Economic Development Administration assists recipients in creating regional economic development plans designed to stimulate and guide the economic development efforts of a community or region. As part of this program, EDA supports Partnership Planning investments to facilitate the development, implementation, revision or replacement of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies which articulate and prioritize the strategic economic goals of recipients' respective regions. Applications are accepted on a continuing basis and processed as received. <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppld=189193>

The California Fisheries Fund offers three types of loans: fishing association loans, infrastructure loans, and business loans. <http://www.californiafisheriesfund.org/loan.html>

The California Energy Commission has announced the availability of funds for low-interest loans for energy efficiency and energy generation projects. Low interest rates of 3 percent can help local jurisdictions invest in energy efficiency, save money, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and create new jobs and industries for your community. <http://www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/financing/index.html>

The California Wildlife Conservation Board continues to provide funding for wetland, riparian, oak woodland, and other fish and wildlife habitat improvement projects and land acquisition from Propositions 40, 50, and 117. The WCB's Riparian, Inland Wetlands, and Oak Woodlands programs continue and are continuously open for proposal submission. <https://www.wcb.ca.gov/Programs>

The USDA Rural Development Electric Program provides direct loans and loan guarantees to upgrade, expand, maintain, and replace America's vast rural electric infrastructure including the construction of electric distribution, transmission and generation facilities, and on- and off-grid renewable energy systems. Applications accepted on a continuous basis. http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UEP_HomePage.html

The SWRCB Agricultural Drainage Loan Program and Agricultural Drainage Management Loan Program is currently accepting applications. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis. http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/agdrain/agdrain_loan.shtml

The USDA provides loans and grants to develop **water and waste disposal systems** in rural areas and towns with a population not in excess of 10,000. The funds are available to public bodies, non-profit corporations and Indian tribes. Applications are accepted at any time through the Rural Development State and Area Offices. <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UWP-dispdirectloansgrants.htm>. To locate an office near you go to http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/recd_map.html

The Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program provides cost-share funding and technical assistance to private land owners and their local partners. Assistance is given to restore streams, wetlands and other native habitat on private property. The program operates on a voluntary basis. The landowners agree to maintain the restoration for at least ten years. Otherwise, they keep full control of their lands. Maximum funding request is \$25,000 per project with a minimum 1:1 non-federal match (monetary and/or in-kind match). Partnerships with other funding agencies are encouraged. Contact Kate Symonds,

Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program for SF Bay, (tel) 707-578-8515, (cell) 707-480-2675, or at kate_symonds@fws.gov . http://www.fws.gov/sacramento/CP/Partnerships/cp_partners-for-fws.htm

The State Water Resources Control Board -1% Loans. The mission of the **Water Recycling Funding Program (WRFP)** is to promote the beneficial use of treated municipal wastewater (water recycling) in order to augment fresh water supplies in California by providing technical and financial assistance to agencies and other stakeholders in support of water recycling projects and research. http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/water_recycling/index.shtml

Clif Bar Family Foundation Small Grants. These small grants average approximately \$8000 with priority given to applicants that: protect Earth's beauty and bounty; create a robust, healthy food system; increase opportunities for outdoor activity; reduce environmental health hazards; and/or build stronger communities. Grant cycles are quarterly, generally around the 15th of the month. <http://clifbarfamilyfoundation.org/Grants-Programs>

Pacific Seabird Group Craig S. Harrison Conservation Fund. The objective of the Conservation Fund is to advance the conservation of seabirds by providing funds or supplies to individuals from developing countries as well as those from elsewhere working in those developing countries primarily in or bordering the Pacific Ocean, (1) for conservation and restoration activities that benefit seabirds in the Pacific Ocean; and (2) to help develop within-country seabird expertise in developing countries within or bordering the Pacific Ocean. <http://www.pacificseabirdgroup.org/index.php?f=grants&t=Grant%20Program&s=1>