



**NORTH COAST RESOURCE PARTNERSHIP (NCRP)
LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (LC) & TECHNICAL PEER REVIEW COMMITTEE (TPRC) MEETING
MEETING MATERIALS**

Date/Time: Friday, October 20, 2023; 9 am – 3:00 pm
Location: Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria
Tish Non Village Community Center
266 Keisner Road, Loleta, CA

BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The following items correspond to the NCRP Quarterly Meeting agenda for October 20, 2023 per agenda order and item number. The items below include background information for agenda items that require additional explanation and, in some cases, include recommendations for action. The meeting agenda and other meeting materials can be found on the NCRP website at <https://northcoastresourcepartnership.org/north-coast-resource-partnership-quarterly-meetings/>

VIII CAL FIRE FOREST HEALTH PILOT

CAL FIRE has awarded the North Coast Resource Partnership (NCRP) a Forest Health Grant in the amount of \$10 million. The grant is a pilot or test bed intended to result in a regional, landscape scale portfolio of projects that implement the goals of the CAL FIRE Forest Health Program, as well as evaluate opportunities to connect CAL FIRE’s Forest Health program with the priorities outlined in the [Vision for North Coast Resilience](#) funded by the California Department of Conservation’s Regional Forest and Fire Capacity (RFFC) Program. Additionally, the Pilot is intended to evaluate opportunities for NCRP to partner with CAL FIRE to prioritize and implement an array of forest health projects in the North Coast Region using the regional grant model as a way to achieve the goals of California’s Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force, including its ambitious Million Acre Strategy for Wildfire and Forest

Resilience. For this Pilot, NCRP is identifying and prioritizing projects in the CAL FIRE Forest Health Categories listed below:

- Forest fuels reduction
- Prescribed fire
- Pest management
- Reforestation
- Biomass utilization

Land acquisition – although an eligible Forest Health category - is not included in this Pilot due to the length of time that a typical real estate transaction requires.

Regional screening assessments have been developed by Tukman Geospatial to support project prioritization. A [story map](#) has been created to provide information to partners and the general public regarding the NCRP approach to landscape scale prioritization. These assessments and story map are in the process of being reviewed by CAL FIRE, CA Department of Conservation, the Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force. NCRP staff are planning additional review and refinement by the NCRP RFFC Ad Hoc committee, as well as Tribal, federal/state/local agency, academic, NGO partners and local project sponsors. A RFP will be developed by NCRP staff, reviewed by the NCRP RFFC Ad Hoc committee and CAL FIRE, and substantial technical assistance will be provided to local project sponsors.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

- a) Direct RFFC Ad Hoc Committee, TPRC Co-Chairs and Executive Committee to advise NCRP staff on review and refinement of CAL FIRE Forest Health Pilot processes, Project Evaluation & Selection Process Guidelines and Request for Proposal materials
- b) Authorize staff to work with CAL FIRE to make refinements to these materials, based on CAL FIRE program requirements.
- c) Present recommended CAL FIRE Forest Health Pilot processes, Project Evaluation & Selection Process Guidelines and Request for Proposal materials to the Leadership Council in January 2024, and provide recommended slate of projects to the Leadership Council in July 2024.

X NCRP HANDBOOK UPDATE

The [NCRP Policies and Procedures Handbook](#) (Handbook) documents the direction, guidance and decisions of the NCRP Leadership Council since its inception in 2005. The Handbook includes information on the various roles of NCRP bodies (eg, Leadership Council, Technical Peer Review Committee, ad hoc committees), as well as the roles of the NCRP staff team (currently comprised of representatives from Humboldt County, Sonoma Water, California Indian Environmental Alliance, and West Coast Watershed). Every decision made by the NCRP Leadership Council (formerly Policy Review Committee) is documented in the Handbook. The Handbook is formally linked to the NCRP [Memorandum of Mutual Understandings](#).

The Handbook serves multiple purposes:

- a) To document NCRP mission, goals, objectives and principles, as well as detailed information about how the NCRP works in a manner that is transparent to all partners and the general public;
- b) To demonstrate to funding partners that NCRP has fair, equitable and objective criteria and transparent processes for prioritizing its activities and allocating partner funding;
- c) To provide helpful background information to new Leadership Council, Technical Peer Review Committee and staff team members during the orientation and onboarding process;
- d) To support the NCRP Staff team in carrying out the direction of the NCRP Leadership Council in an efficient and effective manner

The NCRP Handbook is an adaptive document, and has been revised multiple times over the life of the NCRP based on lessons learned and new information. The NCRP Executive Committee and TPRC Co-Chairs have committed to more regular strategy meetings with the NCRP Staff Team to address key challenges and opportunities, and these meetings will serve as an opportunity to make proposed updates to the NCRP Handbook for consideration by the full NCRP Leadership Council during quarterly meetings.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Authorize the NCRP Executive Committee and TPRC Co-Chairs to work with staff on Handbook refinement and updating
- Bring updated Handbook to the Leadership Council for consideration and approval

XI CONSENT ITEMS: SLATE OF STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Ad Hoc Committees

Background:

At the July 14, 2023 NCRP meeting in Yreka, the Leadership Council directed NCRP staff to form three new Ad Hoc committees (Illegal Cannabis, Capacity, Funding) and to poll Leadership Council and Technical Peer Review Committee members regarding their interest. With the exception of the illegal cannabis committee, there was minimal response to the staff outreach regarding Ad Hoc committees. Following is the NCRP Staff Team recommendation:

- a. Form Illegal Cannabis Committee: confirm Supervisors Criss, Carpenter-Harris, Gogan and add others as requested;
- b. Funding: integrate into the NCRP Executive Committee, schedule targeted meetings with other Leadership Council and Technical Peer Review Committee members that express interest in this topic;
- c. Capacity: integrate into the NCRP RFFC Ad Hoc Committee

- d. Approve the RFFC Ad Hoc Committee to:
 - i. advise the staff team on the development of the NCRP Regional Capacity Enhancement Strategy, and
 - ii. approve interim protocols for capacity investments that will be updated for full Leadership Council approval in January, 2024

B. Wildfire Listening and Learning Sessions

Co-Chair Hillman has suggested a series of meetings to support regional partners – including Tribes, counties, federal/state/local agencies and other partners – in sharing challenges, opportunities and lessons learned from recent wildfires, as well as opportunities to continue to improve outcomes based on enhanced collaboration and communication. This recommendation was discussed with and supported by the RFFC Ad Hoc.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Direct NCRP RFFC Ad Hoc to work with NCRP staff to develop 3-4 workshops around the North Coast Region, and integrate information from the workshops into NCRP strategy documents, including the updated *Vision for North Coast Resilience*.

XII 2024 QUARTERLY MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS (IN PERSON)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- January 19, 2024 (Ukiah)
 - April 19, 2024 (Weaverville) **(NEW PROPOSED DATES: April 25-26)**
 - July 19, 2024 (Yreka)
 - October 18, 2024 (Del Norte)
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XIII UPDATES

A. REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR & PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

Overview: The County of Humboldt acts as the Regional Applicant and Regional Manager of grant funds on behalf of the NCRP. The Humboldt Regional Administrator Team (Admin Team) continues to collaborate with funders, NCRP consultants, and local project sponsors (LPS) to ensure quality grant deliverables and timely reimbursement payments. Members of the Admin Team are available to discuss suggestions or concerns regarding their work on behalf of the NCRP; see contact list below.

ACTIVE IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS

Grant Name	Grant Award Amount	Grant Award Spent/Invoiced	Funding Agency	Timeline	
				Grant Agreement	Completion
Prop 1 Round 1	\$14,884,537	\$6,443,183	DWR	April 2020	June 2025
Urban/Multi-benefit Drought Relief: Implementation	\$7,907,271	\$2,533,186	DWR	March 2022	April 2026
Urban/Multi-benefit Drought Relief: Planning	\$685,485	\$342,743	DWR	June 2022	Aug 2025
Prop 1 Round 2	\$7,115,463	\$0.00	DWR	Pending	March 2028
Regional Forest Health Pilot	\$10,000,000	\$0.00	CAL FIRE	Pending	March 2028

Proposition 1 Round 1: The LPS have been actively working on their projects. Six of the twenty projects have completed construction activities. Three LPS have closed out their grants, and three LPS are working on Project Completion Reports to close out their grants. Out of the fourteen remaining projects, eleven have already begun construction. All of the six LPS that requested fifty percent of the grant funds in an advance payment have completely expended the advanced grant funds, totaling \$1,669,125.00. These LPS will now submit reimbursement requests to access the remaining fifty percent of their grant funds. Two LPS included in the Proposition 1 Round 1 grant agreement, the Covelo Community Services District and Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, were awarded Proposition 1 Round 2 grant funds to supplement shortfalls in their Prop 1 Round 1 grant construction budgets. The Department of Water Resources (DWR) determined that it is most effective to move the awarded funds from the Proposition 1 Round 2 grant into the existing Proposition 1 Round 1 grant agreement budgets for the two LPS. This reallocation will increase the budgets of the LPS and the total grant agreement balance to \$14.8 million. This solution will make grant management easier for the LPS, the Admin Team, and DWR. The Admin Team continues to provide grant agreement administration support and coordinate with the LPS and DWR to secure approval for construction activities, invoice payments, and advance payment accountability reporting.

Proposition 1 Round 2: On May 18, 2023, DWR announced the \$9.2 million award to the NCRP region for the final round of Proposition 1 grant funds for thirteen implementation projects. DWR staff and the Admin Team drafted the grant agreement, which is currently being reviewed by DWR. As described in the Proposition 1 Round 1 update, DWR removed the scopes of work and budgets for the Covelo Community Services District and Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District and will be adding the awarded funds to the existing LPS budgets in the Proposition 1 Round 1 grant agreement. Therefore, the Proposition 1 Round 2 grant agreement will contain eleven projects for a total amount of \$7.1

million award. The Admin Team is gearing up to obtain all required documents to execute the grant agreement and corresponding sub-grant agreements and provide orientations to the LPS.

Urban & Multibenefit Drought Relief Grants: The LPS in the UMDR grants have been busy working on planning and construction activities. To date, approximately \$2,875,929 total grant funds in this round have been expended (\$2,533,186 for implementation and \$342,743 for planning). This includes an advance payment of fifty percent of the associated seven project budgets, collectively totaling \$1,741,380. Eight out of the fifteen LPS that received implementation funding have completed CEQA and designs for their projects and have been cleared to commence construction activities, and five LPS have initiated construction. Two LPS have completed the construction implementation and are working on their Project Completion Reports to close out their grant this winter. One project is scaling back the scope of work, due to insufficient staffing levels, and will not be using approximately \$1 million of the grant funds. DWR has authorized the reallocation of those unused funds to support other projects in the suite of projects under this agreement that may be having budget shortfalls; all associated NCRP policies and procedures will be observed to ensure the funds are reallocated appropriately. With the increased inflation costs that have been incurred since the original applications were drafted, one LPS has already determined that additional funds will help them meet project objectives. The Admin Team will gather details from all other LPS in the grant agreement that may need additional funding. The Admin Team continues to provide grant agreement administration support and coordinate with the LPS and DWR to secure approval for construction activities, invoice payments, and advance payment accountability reporting.

Regional Forest Health Pilot: CAL FIRE awarded the NCRP a \$10 million grant to implement the Regional Forest Health Pilot. This program was developed in collaboration with the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force (Task Force) and designed to be one of the implementing engines, furthering the goals of the California Department of Conservation's (DOC) Regional Forest and Fire Capacity (RFFC) Program (see more about the associated RFFC planning grant below). Draft program guidelines state that, "The Task Force recognizes that central to achieving the goals of the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan is the need to mobilize regional approaches to improve the health and resilience of forested landscapes" and "Regional Grant Pilots have the potential to bring funding to high-priority projects that would not otherwise access Forest Health or similar grant funding. They may also foster regional capacity building and prioritization partnerships by providing resources to carry out the regional priority projects". The NCRP Regional Forest Health Pilot will be a test bed intended to result in a regional, landscape scale portfolio of projects that implement the goals of the CAL FIRE Forest Health Program. It will be used to evaluate opportunities to connect CAL FIRE's Forest Health program with the priorities outlined in the NCRP's [Regional Priority Plan](#) funded by DOC's RFFC Program. In collaboration with NCRP, CAL FIRE, and Task Force staff, the Admin Team developed a detailed scope of work and budget and is actively working toward execution of a grant agreement for these funds (expected next quarter).

ACTIVE PLANNING GRANTS

Grant Name	Grant Award Amount	Funding Agency	Timeline	
			Grant Agreement	Completion
Tribal Engagement & Economic Opportunity for Disadvantaged Communities (DACTI)	\$2,650,000	DWR	April 2017	Oct 2023
Regional Forest and Fire Capacity - Round 1	\$4,037,500	Natural Resources Agency/Department of Conservation	May 2019	March 2024
Regional Forest and Fire Capacity - Round 2	\$13,560,000	Department of Conservation	November 2021	December 2025
Fire Response Capacity Project	\$400,000	Humboldt Area Foundation & Wild Rivers Community Foundation	November 2021	Nov 2023
Woody Feedstock Aggregation Pilot Project	\$700,000	Governor's Office of Planning and Research	February 2022	March 2025
Actionable Lidar-Based Data for Wildfire Prevention Planning, Response, and Rehabilitation on California's North Coast	\$123,656	National Aeronautics and Space Administration	Oct 2022	Oct 2024
Riparian Corridor Regional Work Plan	\$45,000	Resources Legacy Fund	August 2022	Dec 2023

Tribal Engagement & Economic Opportunity for Disadvantaged Communities or “DACTI”: After almost six years, the DACTI project is coming to an end. The Humboldt Admin Team has been working closely with the core NCRP consultant staff, West Coast Watershed (WCW) and the California Indian Environmental Alliance (CIEA) to provide technical assistance with remaining funds, complete final deliverables and complete final reporting. The Team is also coordinating with the Department of Water Resources to ensure final work products meet their needs and expectations.

Regional Forest and Fire Capacity (RFFC) Program Block Grants: The Humboldt Admin Team continues to work toward the goals of the RFFC Program in close coordination with WCW and CIEA, with County

staff providing grant agreement administration and project management support. The California Department of Conservation (DOC) and the Natural Resources Agency (NRA) continue to provide program guidance to staff as the RFFC Program unfolds.

The Admin Team is working to update professional services agreements to implement the amended Round 2 Agreement which increased the budget to \$13.5M and extended the term through December 2027. The amended scope of work is designed to align with and reflect all elements of the 2022 RFFC program guidelines, and will support the rapid increase of wildfire, forest, and community resiliency projects consistent with the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan, Agreement for Shared Stewardship of California's Forests and Rangelands, the California Forest Carbon Plan, and Executive Order B-52-18. This will be accomplished through refining and implementing NCRP's [Regional Priority Plan](#), supporting the enhanced capacity of regional partners, and developing a substantial suite of priority projects ready for implementation. The refreshed scope builds on and complements previous RFFC grant awards to the NCRP.

The Round 1 RFFC Grant Agreement is ending March 2024 and the Admin Team is continuing to work with NCRP's tribal engagement team, CIEA to complete remaining Tribal engagement and coordination work. The Team is anticipating closeout of this agreement by gathering deliverables and coordinating with DOC staff to meet their expectations for final reporting.

Fire Response Capacity Project: The Admin Team continues to administer a grant, on behalf of the NCRP, from the Humboldt Area Foundation and Wild Rivers Community Foundation to support a pilot project intended to strengthen the long-term sustainability of the fire response programs of Tribes and very rural fire departments and protection districts, through capacity building. The geographic area covered by this pilot project encompasses Humboldt (including Karuk Tribal territory that overlaps with Siskiyou County), Del Norte, and Trinity Counties. This pilot project is being integrated into the larger regionwide RFFC Program. The Admin Team is working with key NCRP staff to develop scopes and budgets to disperse funds directly to five Tribes and Tribal fire protection entities that participated in assessment interviews during 2022-23. The funds are being used to purchase equipment such as personal protective equipment that can be used for firefighting and prescribed fires. Training is also being funded to support increased capacity and workforce development. The Admin Team continues to manage an agreement with WCW to provide, in coordination with the NCRP Tribal Engagement Director, technical assistance to these Tribes as well as other rural fire service organizations to address needs identified through the assessment process.

Woody Feedstock Aggregation Pilot Project: The County of Humboldt, on behalf of the NCRP, was selected as one of five public agencies to lead pilot projects to develop and provide regional strategies to improve feedstock supply chain logistics in order to produce community fire resilience benefits. Work is ongoing and a grant agreement amendment was recently negotiated and executed. The amendment increased the grant by \$200,000 (for a total of \$700,000) and added additional expert

consultant resources to the project team. Pilot projects have been selected and sub-grantee agreements are being executed.

Riparian Corridor Regional Work Plan: This funding, provided by the Resources Legacy Fund, is supporting the development of a detailed scope of work to share with funders for the creation of an aquatic ecosystem and working lands conservation plan for the North Coast Region. A grant agreement has been executed and project work is ongoing. The grant agreement has been extended through December 31, 2023.

Actionable Lidar-Based Data for Wildfire Prevention Planning, Response, and Rehabilitation on California’s North Coast: The NCRP worked with regional and state partners to secure funding for the “Filling the gaps in lidar data for Northern California” project which is supporting the acquisition and processing of lidar data by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). Subsequently, the NCRP was selected to receive funds (\$149,466) from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to support the “Actionable Lidar-Based Data for Wildfire Prevention Planning, Response, and Rehabilitation on California’s North Coast Project”. The Project will process the lidar data collected by the USGS to create a unified point cloud and derived products to support wildfire planning, response, and recovery for the twelve (12) million acres of California’s North Coast Region. The Admin Team executed a grant agreement with NASA as well as the associated professional services agreement with the implementing consultant team and established the administrative processes to successfully manage the grant. An Agreement with WCW has been executed to carry out the scope of work and subcontract out of the NCRP consultant pool as necessary.

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Lauren Rowan, Environmental Analyst	lrowan@co.humboldt.ca.us	Lead Admin for Prop. 84 Final Round and admin support for Prop 1 and NCRP planning grants

B. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The NCRP accepts Proposals for Technical Assistance to Tribes and economically disadvantaged communities to support project development and grant applications for the following programs:

- NCRP Regional Forest & Fire Capacity (RFFC) program
- NCRP CAL FIRE Forest Health Pilot program
- Other funding programs for projects that improve forest health, increase wildfire resilience, and help communities and ecosystems address and adapt to climate change

Selected applicants receive technical assistance directly from NCRP-approved technical consultant providers and services may include organizational capacity building, strategic planning, grant development, preliminary project design/planning, site assessments, mapping and GIS analysis, permitting, project benefits quantification, and cost estimates. All proposals, including supporting documents, are submitted via the [NCRP Project Tracker](#).

Proposals are accepted on a rolling basis via the NCRP Project Tracker and are reviewed quarterly: February 1, May 1, August 1, November 1. Following are the Technical Assistance projects submitted in 2023.

PROJECT SPONSOR, PROJECT NAME	TRIBAL REGION, COUNTY	STATUS	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Briceland Volunteer Fire Department, Briceland VFD Wildfire Resilience Project	Humboldt	Completed	Briceland Volunteer Fire Department (Briceland VFD) is seeking technical assistance, including help attaining necessary environmental permits, mapping, and grant preparation, to develop a wildfire resilience/fuels reduction project on Old Briceland Ridge. The project will increase wildfire protection of Briceland Road, the primary access route for the many communities west of Highway 101, by developing a comprehensive fuels treatment along a strategically located ridge separating this corridor from large timberland tracts to the south. Work will include 6 miles of ridgetop shaded fuel break, 250 acres of adjacent prescribed burning, and 36 acres of fuels treatment along Old Briceland Road.
ORE-CAL RCDC, Collier Interpretive and Information Center Educational Display Repair and Outdoor Signage Project	Siskiyou	Work in progress	CIIC is requesting technical assistance for two distinct but interrelated projects. The first is technical assistance to repair an indoor topographic display of the county integrated with video and information for education and to raise awareness of tourism and recreation opportunities and drought, Climate Change and how inter-regional cooperation can help to conserve our resources and way of life in Siskiyou County. The second technical assistance request is to develop a world class educational nature walk along the banks within the rest area for visitor education and enjoyment. Layout, planning, sign design and content expertise are needed to make this project happen.

PROJECT SPONSOR, PROJECT NAME	TRIBAL REGION, COUNTY	STATUS	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
<u>ORE-CAL RCDC, COS Forestry and AG Program - TA for Development</u>	Siskiyou	Work in progress	Ore-Cal RC&D Council is requesting Technical Assistance to apply for CalFire’s Wood Products and Bioenergy Business and Workforce Development Grant for 2022-23. Ore-Cal requests Kim Carr Consulting services to write this grant. Kim wrote a grant to fund such a program for Lake Tahoe Community College, Kim is familiar and respected by the funding agency with success in past applications. The program at Lake Tahoe CC is seeing overflowing classes, recognized as a workforce development program producing employable workforce to industry certification standards.
<u>Hoopa Fire Safe Council, Hoopa Fire Safe Council - TA for Strategic Planning</u>	Central Tribal Region Humboldt	Work in progress	In partnership with the Hoopa Wildland Fire Department, this spring a group of Hoopa residents re-vitalized the Hoopa Fire Safe Council, which had been incorporated as a Tribal non-profit several years ago but hadn't continued to organize. The group identified two primary goals: to encourage residents to create defensible space around their homes; and to encourage residents to work with the fire department to safely conduct small cultural burns on their property. The group needs a strategic plan to guide activities going forward.
<u>UCCE Humboldt, Humboldt County Prescribed Burn Association Southern Humboldt Technical Support</u>	Humboldt	Work in progress	University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) is requesting technical assistance to support the further development of the Humboldt County Prescribed Burn Association in the greater Southern Humboldt area. The HCPBA is a community-based prescribed fire organization that assists landowners in planning and implementing prescribed fire projects. The requested technical assistance would allow the HCPBA to increase the number of planned and completed projects, expand the capacity of the organization, improve the ecological advisory process, and develop a cultural burn advisory program.
<u>Jacoby Creek Land Trust, Jacoby Creek Riparian and Wetland Restoration Project - Phase 1 Planning and Acquisition</u>	Humboldt	Work in progress	The Jacoby Creek Riparian and Wetland Restoration Project will enhance native salmonid habitat and water quality in the lower Jacoby Creek watershed through acquisition and restoration of four acres along the creek. This project is supported by the Jacoby Creek Water Sustainability and Anadromous Fish Habitat Enhancement Feasibility Study, a planning project that will develop to a 15% design level three community-supported multi-benefit project concepts that enhance aquatic habitat quality and reduce flooding impacts in the lower Jacoby Creek watershed. Technical assistance will support riparian property acquisition that is expected to be funded by the State Coastal Conservancy.
<u>Leggett Valley VFD, Leggett Valley FD Technical Assistance for Hazardous Fuel</u>	Mendocino	Completed	Leggett Valley Fire Department would like to request technical assistance in developing projects to remove hazardous fuels from along the many narrow, winding, private ingress and egress roads, many that are “one way in one way out”. This project would remove hazardous fuels along approximately 30 miles of private driveways in the Leggett Valley Fire Protection District.

PROJECT SPONSOR, PROJECT NAME	TRIBAL REGION, COUNTY	STATUS	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
<u>Reduction Projects</u>			
<u>Fruitland Ridge VFPD, Mail Ridge Project, Environmental Compliance TA</u>	Humboldt Mendocino	Application approved	The project will advance planning of a multi-phased fuel reduction project identified as a priority project in the Humboldt County CWPP and other fuel reduction treatments along and adjacent to the crest of Mail Ridge, a prominent geographic feature in southern Humboldt and northern Mendocino Counties. The purpose of the project is to increase fire resiliency, protect nearby communities from fire risk, and make significant progress toward restoration of the traditional role of low intensity fire on the landscape.
<u>Humboldt County RCD, Mail Ridge Project, Forestry TA</u>	Humboldt Mendocino	Work in progress	The project will advance planning of a multi-phased fuel reduction project identified as a priority project in the Humboldt County CWPP and other fuel reduction treatments along and adjacent to the crest of Mail Ridge, a prominent geographic feature in southern Humboldt and northern Mendocino Counties. The purpose of the project is to increase fire resiliency, protect nearby communities from fire risk, and make significant progress toward restoration of the traditional role of low intensity fire on the landscape.
<u>Trees Foundation, Mail Ridge Project, Prescribed Fire TA</u>	Humboldt Mendocino	Work in progress	This project will advance project planning of a ridge line fuel break and associated forest health treatments along Mail Ridge in southern Humboldt County. Conceptualized by the Southern Humboldt Fire Safe Council, the project at the heart of this request for technical assistance will improve forest health, mitigate wildfire risk, ensure that the forests of southern Humboldt County continue to sequester carbon into the future, protect communities, and help the state meet its emissions reduction and climate change adaptation goals. This technical assistance request will help position the project for a future CAL FIRE Forest Health Grant Program application.
<u>Native Health in Native Hands, N-Shong Konk' (Good Fire)</u>	Mendocino	Contracting in progress	Native Health in Native Hands' proposed project N-Shong Konk' (Good Fire) will provide direct benefits to all communities, including tribal members from multiple area tribes. We will organize, support, and provide training opportunities and equipment for tribal members to be engaged in prescribed fire practices and include cultural elements. Including cultural elements is supportive of cultural revitalization efforts and brings important elements of ecological restoration. Our goal is fire safe communities that also have increased access to, and knowledge of, traditional foods that benefit from cultural fire.

PROJECT SPONSOR, PROJECT NAME	TRIBAL REGION, COUNTY	STATUS	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
<u>Trinity Center VFD, North Trinity Lake Wildfire Response Plan</u>	Trinity	Work in progress	The Trinity Center Volunteer Fire Department wishes to promote coordination of the many projects which are being proposed by various entities to reduce fuel loads and protect communities in the north Trinity Lake area. The product would be an overall plan which identifies gaps, needs, and potential funding sources. In addition, the Volunteer Fire Department wishes to develop a response plan to future wildfires, which incorporates lessons learned and vulnerabilities identified during the 2021 River Complex .
<u>ORE-CAL RCDC, Ore-Cal NEPA-CEQA Team - TA for development</u>	Siskiyou	Application approved	This project seeks to develop a stand-alone interdisciplinary planning team to help economically disadvantaged communities and Tribes located in rural settings with project development and project planning, with an emphasis on providing NEPA/CEQA services, which is a major barrier for many entities seeking to plan and implement forest health projects.
<u>Sherwood Firewise, Sherwood Firewise: Creating Defensible Space on Vacant Parcels - TA for GIS/Mapping</u>	Mendocino	Completed	The Brooktrails subdivision is considered by fire agencies to be one of the highest risk areas in the state. In addition to being a "one way in and out" community, the subdivision has 1500 homes completely interspersed into the 4500 vacant lots and 2500 acres of forested greenbelt. Due to a building moratorium most of the vacant lots cannot be developed, so many property owners are unresponsive to legal notices requiring them to abate vegetation on the property. TA is requested to create GIS maps with parcel data layers, including property owner data, creating defensible space maps for needed treatment, and conducting outreach to property owners requesting voluntary compliance.
<u>Shasta Valley RCD, Slater Fire Rehabilitation Project</u>	Siskiyou	Work in progress	The Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District is seeking technical assistance for CEQA support for a project partnering with the Karuk Tribe to rehabilitate tribal lands burned in the 2020 Slater Fire. This technical assistance will provide support where in-house capabilities are lacking for both the Karuk Tribe and the Shasta Valley RCD. The project will remove standing dead trees, making the removed wood available for tribal community firewood use. Additionally, smaller fuels will be cut and piled, and resprouted hardwoods will be pruned to reduce stems. The units will be understory burned by the Karuk tribe.
<u>SoHum Community Park, Southern Humboldt Community Park (Garberville) Infrastructure and Activity Upgrade - TA for Planning</u>	Humboldt	Contracting in progress	A consortium of supporters of Southern Humboldt Community Park (also known to locals as SoHum Park) comprise present Park uses /users and management, native (Wailaki) goals (reviving native practices and uses) and Institute for Sustainable Forestry goals (improving habitat and vegetation/trees through resiliency practices). There are four main components to the proposed activities, all aimed at improving the resilience of the Park in the face of climate change, fire safety, and bringing back native species valuable to the native tribes that to this day depend on their abundance to support their food and industrial activities.

PROJECT SPONSOR, PROJECT NAME	TRIBAL REGION, COUNTY	STATUS	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
<u>Southern Humboldt Fire Chief's Association, SHFCA - TA to Develop Administrative Support Position</u>	Humboldt	Work in progress	The Southern Humboldt Fire Chiefs' Association is requesting technical assistance to develop an Administrative Support Position to assist the 17 volunteer fire and emergency response member organizations. With this assistance, an analysis and a regional strategy will be used to create the scope of work and budget for the position. By developing this staff position, the SHFCA will increase the member departments' administrative efficiency. It will also increase interagency cooperation in emergency response, training, and the capacity to assist with fuel reduction, forest health, and fire resiliency efforts. This will result in an increase in health and safety in the Southern Humboldt region.
<u>Northern Mendocino Ecosystem Recovery Alliance, Tan Oak Park Forest Health Workforce Training Center - TA for Development Plan</u>	Mendocino	Work in progress	The Northern Mendocino Ecosystem Recovery Alliance (NM-ERA) mission is to foster forest health in our region and to build a local workforce to do the necessary work. To that end, we plan to build a training center for forest health and resilience jobs, working with the NPO Families and Friends United by AIDS, which owns Tan Oak Park, a non-profit retreat center on Hwy 101 with facilities, water, appropriate zoning and everything but a training hall and a development plan. We are seeking technical assistance to develop a plot plan, infrastructure needs assessment, permitting help, project benefits quantification, forest management plan, and a design/cost estimate for a classroom structure.
<u>Westhaven Community Services District, Two Creeks Watershed Protection-Conservation Lands</u>	Humboldt	Work in progress	The Two Creeks Watershed Conceptual Area Protection Plan draft is in progress. This plan is funded by a current NCRP Technical Assistance Grant. This planning effort has flagged high priority vacant lands along the riparian corridor and adjacent to CSD lands for public fee title acquisition. The Two Creeks Watershed Protection Plan seeks to maintain and enhance forest health, wildlife habitat and water quality in this coastal watershed. There are three (2) high priority parcels that are currently available (and time is of the essence). The Westhaven CSD requests technical assistance funding for (2) property appraisals to DGS Standards that will be used to support property acquisition.
<u>Albion-Little River Fire Protection District, Water storage tanks for firefighting use in Albion and Little River - TA for plan development</u>	Mendocino	Contracting in progress	This project seeks technical assistance for developing a plan and grant development for funding to install 10-12 water storage tanks in the Albion Little River Fire Protection District to provide water for firefighting use and also to maintain the insurability of properties within the district. Many property owners in the area have had their insurance dropped because of vulnerability to destruction by fire, due in part to the lack of availability of water for fire response.

PROJECT SPONSOR, PROJECT NAME	TRIBAL REGION, COUNTY	STATUS	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
<u>Kneeland Fire Protection District, Kneeland Fire Protection District Annexation of Goodwill Response Area - TA</u>	Humboldt	Work in progress	<p>The purpose of the project is to help create a sustainable funding source for KFPD’s Firewise activities and wildfire response in a 60,000-acre Goodwill Response Area (GRA). The Humboldt County Fire Chiefs’ Assoc. has historically committed funding to support our out-of-district services. These funds, representing 40% of our annual revenues, will sunset in July, 2023. To fill the gap, KFPD has been working to annex the GRA but needs additional funds to get across the finish line. We are seeking technical support funds to allow us to continue working with Planwest Partners to: a) develop and submit an application to LAFCo to annex the GRA, and b) draft a ballot initiative that would establish a Special Service Zone for the annexed area with a unique Special Tax to support our response and Firewise activities in the annexation area. The project will support greater fire resiliency associated with increased Firewise activities and fire response across a 60,000-acre, high fire-risk area.</p>
<u>Timber Cove Fire Protection District, Site Planning for TCFPD for a Specialized Septic and Water System Upgrade</u>	Sonoma	Application approved	<p>In an effort to provide multiagency emergency services to all communities within the entire district & surrounding areas, TCFPD has set a goal to provide full-time paid, career firefighters at our existing fire station. In order to achieve this goal, our water & septic systems are in need of upgrades. At present the water system is a limited rain water catchment system. Due to soil percolation issues, the septic system needs special planning and engineering in order to provide the increased services we would like to provide. TCFPD is seeking technical assistance in the planning and design of both systems. This would include site assessment & engineered designs for both. systems.</p>
<u>Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation, Tribal Community Wildfire Protection Plan Facilitation</u>	Northern Tribal Region Del Norte	Contracting in progress	<p>The Nation has recently been approved to receive funding from the United States Department of Agriculture- Community Wildfire Defense Program in the amount of \$250,000.00, for the development of a Tribal Community Wildfire Prevention Plan (TCWPP). The Nation is seeking technical assistance to facilitate the development of the TCWPP including: 1. Develop an Outreach Plan to identify and convene key leadership, community members, interested parties, decision makers, and initiate collaboration with federal, state, tribal and local agencies, 2. Develop TCWPP goals and objectives, 3. Develop an Outline for the TCWPP, and 4. Develop a scope of work to inform the request for proposal for the development of the TCWPP. While the Nation is building expert capacity to address these needs in the future, we do not currently have available staff with the intimate knowledge of this particular plan development, contract and project needs.</p>

PROJECT SPONSOR, PROJECT NAME	TRIBAL REGION, COUNTY	STATUS	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
<u>Mattole Restoration Council, Prosper Ridge Community Wildfire Resilience Project</u>	Humboldt	Work in progress	<p>The Prosper Ridge Community Wildfire Resilience Project will provide strategic fuels treatments on private lands bordering the King Range National Conservation Area, a 68,000-acre Conservation Area managed by the Bureau of Land Management. The project will increase wildfire safety in the neighborhood and improve vital wildlife habitat by restoring Coastal Prairies and improving forest habitat. Project components include: 150 acres of mechanical thinning of undesirable understory shrub and small diameter timber with a diameter breast height (DBH) less than 16" ; 150 acres of hand thinning of undesirable understory shrub and small diameter timber with a DBH less than 16" where slope and access make the use of heavy machinery impossible; 50 acres fuels reduction in Coastal Prairie habitat via mechanical removal of Douglas fir and coyote brush which has encroached into Coastal Prairie habitat due to fire suppression; 100 acres of prescribed fire</p>
<u>Shasta Valley RCD, Siskiyou PBA Structure Development TA May 2023</u>	Siskiyou	Work in progress	<p>The SPBA was started in 2020 with funding support from NCRP for the SVRCD's "Siskiyou County Collaborative Prescribed Burn Association and Demonstration Project." The Demonstration Project kickstarted the SPBA for the initial development of a PBA through leadership, training, and two demonstration burns. The SPBA has continued to develop, hosting and participating in burns and trainings throughout Siskiyou County and integrating with PBA efforts throughout the State. SVRCD has maintained a central coordination role for the SPBA despite limited sustained funds to do so. The SPBA wants to revise the guiding documents to reflect SPBA developments and to provide a framework to continue expanding the scope and impact of the SPBA.</p>
<u>Coast Ridge Forest Council, Coast Ridge Forest Council Pathway to Fire Resilient Landscapes on the Sonoma Coast</u>	Sonoma	Work in progress	<p>In response to the 2017 fires, an early coalition of stakeholders formed the Sonoma Coast Collaborative to confront the threat of wildfire at a landscape level. While some problems and solutions were addressed individually and in the short term, most require long-term, strategic, and cross-sector coordination. By centralizing this work under the leadership of the Coast Ridge Forest Council, we aim to develop a comprehensive plan to reduce wildfire risk to people, communities, and natural and cultural resources while sustaining and restoring healthy, resilient fire-adapted forests. This collaborative approach relies on local knowledge and expertise while benefitting from the combined strengths of a robust network of partners with the experience and ability to improve vegetation mapping, navigate CEQA, inform decision-making based on the best available data and science, conduct community outreach and education, and coordinate vegetation management projects throughout the region.</p>

PROJECT SPONSOR, PROJECT NAME	TRIBAL REGION, COUNTY	STATUS	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
<u>Regenerative Forest Solutions, Small-Diameter Utilization Feasibility Study</u>	Sonoma	Contracting in progress	Regenerative Forest Solutions (RFS) is a Sonoma County based non-profit organization providing organizational and leadership capacity and is working to research and write a feasibility study for small-diameter tree utilization in Sonoma County. The study will work with data and spatial technical advisors to meet the projects goals to: analyze feedstock quantity and quality; establish investment resources required; assess the benefits of small-diameter utilization for our communities and ecosystems; and, research potential frameworks to ensure that onsite ecology is less compromised during woody feedstock removal. The Sonoma Mendocino Economic Development District and other local entities have identified the creation of more vibrant wood product industries in the region as a gap toward increasing viability of wider spread forest health practices. The FS will determine best next steps toward multiple economic and environmental goals.
<u>Rural Resilience Project, Navarro Watershed Raincatch Initiative</u>	Mendocino	Work in progress	The Rural Resilience Project's Groundwater Dependency Reduction Program targets disadvantaged communities in Mendocino County. A key aspect is the Navarro Watershed RainCatch Initiative, which reduces groundwater dependency via sustainable rainwater harvesting. The project focuses on forest health and wildfire resilience. Notably, a 350,000-gallon reservoir and a catchment pond provide critical water sources for firefighting, enhancing community resilience.
<u>Round Valley Indian Tribes, Learning to Burn Prescribed Fire Training Project</u>	Mendocino	Work in progress	Learning to Burn is a project intended to increase the knowledge of the Round Valley Tribal Community on the many topics of fire prevention and fire management techniques that can promote forest and river health. Tribal members, with a “burning” desire to be a fire practitioner, will be provided an opportunity to learn about the multi-faceted system of the fire management industry and the science behind forest health. This project will provide tribal members access to hands-on fire training intended to increase knowledge and interest in the value of forest health and how to prevent devastation caused by wildfires.
<u>Mattole Restoration Council, Mattole TREC Oak Woodland Prescribed Burn Permitting Phase 2.0</u>	Humboldt	Work in progress	MRC was awarded a CalFire Wood Products Workforce Development grant to increase prescribed fire capacity in the Mattole watershed via S-212 chainsaw training and TREC prescribed burns. We have been working with BBWA on a CalVTP CEQA pathway to permit a burn unit on private land in Honeydew CA, which was much more complicated than anticipated. We are seeking matching technical assistance to complete CEQA environmental compliance- specifically late season botanical surveys, filing with Board of Forestry and pre-implementation surveys if budget allows.

C. LEGISLATION UPDATE

The 2023 legislative session has come to a close as the Legislature concluded its business on September 14 and Governor Newsom wrapped up the bill signing period on October 14. The Legislature will reconvene on January 1, 2024, and will be in session until August 31, 2024. The end of the 2023 session was relatively quiet as a water and climate resilience bond was put over to the 2024 session and little action occurred in regards to the state budget. Legislation regarding water, forestry and wildfire, and other natural resource policy was relatively quiet as well, as many of the bills that might have an impact were also postponed to the 2024 session. However, significant policy was passed in the pursuit of clean energy as AB 1373 (Garcia) was passed and signed, the bill authorizes the Department of Water Resources to centrally procure energy resources that meet certain criteria that essentially describes offshore wind. AB 1373 enables the state of California to purchase electricity on behalf of all ratepayers, the purchasing power derived from AB 1373 is a major boon to offshore wind development.

The most newsworthy item from the end of session is the Senate's decision to support Senator McGuire to be the next Pro Tem. Senator McGuire has not been formally voted into the position but it is anticipated he will take up the role of Pro Tem sometime in January. A quarter of the Senate terms out in 2024, a condition that may prompt Senator McGuire to change a number of committee chairs that will reconstitute the political power dynamics going forward. The same is anticipated in the Assembly as Assemblymember Robert Rivas made very few committee changes once he took over as Speaker at the beginning of July. The beginning of the 2024 legislative session is sure to see a carousel of movement across the political landscape.

There were many, many policy bills that were introduced into the 2023 legislative session, and the following outlines a number that are relevant for NCRP:

NCRP Bills to Watch

Bonds

[AB 305](#) ([Villapudua D](#)) **California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/25/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Two-year bill, currently in Senate Natural Resources & Water

Summary: Would enact the California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law for flood protection projects, as specified. The bill would provide for the submission of these provisions to the voters at the November 5, 2024, statewide general election.

[AB 408](#) ([Wilson D](#)) **Climate-resilient Farms, Sustainable Healthy Food Access, and Farmworker Protection Bond Act of 2024.**

Current Text: Amended: 8/14/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Held in Senate Appropriations and unlikely to progress further.

Summary: Would enact the Climate-resilient Farms, Sustainable Healthy Food Access, and Farmworker Protection Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3,365,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, to finance programs related to, among other things, agricultural lands, food and fiber infrastructure, climate resilience, agricultural professionals, including farmers, ranchers, and farmworkers, workforce development and training, air quality, tribes, disadvantaged communities, nutrition, food aid, meat processing facilities, and fishing facilities.

[AB 1567](#) ([Garcia](#) D) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Clean Energy, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024.

Current Text: Amended: 5/26/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Two-year bill, currently in Senate Natural Resources & Water

Summary: Would enact the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Clean Energy, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,995,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, clean energy, and workforce development programs.

[SB 638](#) ([Eggman](#) D) Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.

Current Text: Amended: 6/28/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Two-year bill, currently in Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee.

Summary: Would enact the Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, for flood protection and climate resiliency projects.

[SB 867](#) ([Allen](#) D) Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access, and Clean Energy Bond Act of 2024.

Current Text: Amended: 6/22/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Two-year bill, currently in Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: Would enact the Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate

Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, Park Creation and Outdoor Access, and Clean Energy Bond Act of 2024, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$15,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate smart agriculture, park creation and outdoor access, and clean energy programs.

Wildfire

[AB 297](#) ([Fong, Vince R](#)) Wildfires: local assistance grant program: advance payments.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Signed by the Governor and chaptered into law.

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to establish a local assistance grant program for fire prevention and home hardening education activities. Under existing law, the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection may, until January 1, 2024, authorize advance payments from a grant program award, not to exceed 25% of the total grant award, except as specified. This bill would extend the director's authority to authorize advance payments from a grant program award to January 1, 2034.

[AB 338](#) ([Aguiar-Curry D](#)) Public works: definition.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Signed by the Governor and chaptered into law.

Summary: Existing law establishes the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in the Natural Resources Agency and establishes the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection within the department. Existing law requires the department to administer fire prevention programs and activities and requires the state board to adopt regulations implementing minimum fire safety standards. This bill would, commencing July 1, 2026, require fuel reduction work, done under contract and paid for in whole or in part out of public funds, as specified, to meet several standards, including that all workers performing work within an apprenticeable occupation in the building and construction trades be paid at least the general prevailing rate of per diem wages. The bill would authorize the Labor Commissioner to enforce the requirement to pay prevailing wages. The bill would exempt from these requirements, among other things, contracts in the amount of \$500,000 or less. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 388](#) ([Connolly D](#)) Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan: implementation strategies: roadmap.

Current Text: Amended: 5/18/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Held in Senate Appropriations and is now dead

Summary: Current law establishes the Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program to support regional leadership to build local and regional capacity and develop, prioritize, and implement strategies and projects that create fire adapted communities and landscapes by improving ecosystem health, community wildfire preparedness, and fire resilience. Under the program, the Department of Conservation is required to provide block grants to regional entities to develop regional strategies that develop governance structures, identify wildfire risks, foster collaboration, and prioritize and implement projects within the region to achieve the program's goals. Current law requires that regional priority strategy development be in coordination with public landowners and other relevant forest and fire planning efforts in wildfire and forest resiliency planning. This bill would, by January 1, 2025, require the Department of Conservation, in consultation with the Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force and its member agencies, to establish guidelines for funding the implementation of the regional priority strategies, as provided, and to establish regional investment strategies to identify and align resources that support implementation of regional priority strategies that contribute to the goals and key actions identified in the implementation strategy. The bill would authorize conservancies, departments, and boards within the Natural Resources Agency to directly award regional block grants to eligible regional entities, forest collaboratives, and partnerships to implement regional plans, strategies, agreements, and initiatives. The bill would require the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to provide the task force and to post on its internet website a description, amount, and outcome of each regional block grant.

[SB 470](#) (Alvarado-Gil D) Water: Urban Water Community Drought Relief program: Small Community Drought Relief program: high fire hazard and very high fire hazard severity zones.

Current Text: Vetoed: 10/9/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: Current law requires the State Fire Marshal to identify areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on consistent statewide criteria and based on the severity of fire hazard that is expected to prevail in those areas. Current law requires a local agency to designate, by ordinance, moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones in its jurisdiction within 120 days of receiving recommendations from the State Fire Marshal, as provided. Current law authorizes specified state agencies, including the Department of Water Resources, subject to an appropriation, to make grants and direct expenditures for interim or immediate relief in response to conditions arising from a drought scenario to address immediate impacts on human health and safety or on fish and wildlife resources or to provide water to persons or communities that lose or are threatened with the loss of water supplies. Existing law repeals this authorization on January 1, 2024. This bill would extend the authorization to January 1, 2026. The bill would, until January 1, 2026, establish in the department the Urban Water Community Drought Relief program and the Small Community Drought Relief program to provide grants for similar interim or immediate drought relief.

[SB 504](#) ([Dodd D](#)) Wildfires: defensible space: grant programs: local governments.

Current Text: Amended: 4/20/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Awaiting hearing in Assembly Natural Resources Committee.

Summary: Current law requires the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection to establish a common reporting platform that allows defensible space and home hardening assessment data, collected by the qualified entities, to be reported to the department. Current law requires the department to establish a local assistance grant program for fire prevention and home hardening education activities and provides that local agencies, among others, are eligible for these grants. Current law requires the State Fire Marshal to identify areas of the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on specified criteria. Current law requires a local agency to designate, by ordinance, moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones in its jurisdiction within 120 days of receiving recommendations from the State Fire Marshal, and authorizes a local agency, at its discretion, to include areas within the jurisdiction of the local agency, not identified as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones by the State Fire Marshal, as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones, respectively. This bill would require the department, when reviewing applications for the local assistance grant program, to give priority to any local governmental entity that is qualified to perform defensible space assessments in very high and high fire hazard severity zones who reports that information using the common reporting platform, as provided.

Restoration

[AB 345](#) ([Wilson D](#)) Habitat restoration: flood control: advance payments.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/10/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Signed by the Governor and chaptered into law.

Summary: Current law establishes the Central Valley Flood Protection Board and authorizes the board to engage in various flood control activities along the Sacramento River, the San Joaquin River, their tributaries, and related areas. This bill would authorize the Department of Water Resources or the board to provide advance payments, as defined, to local agencies for projects that restore habitat for threatened and endangered species under state or federal law or improve flood protection, as provided. The bill would prohibit the amount of funds advanced by the department or the board to the local agency at any one time from exceeding 25% of the entire amount authorized to be provided under the funding agreement. The bill would require the project proponent to demonstrate a need for an advance payment and that the project proponent is sufficiently qualified to manage the project and the project's finances. The bill would require the funds to be spent within 6 months and would require the recipient to provide an accountability report to the department or the board on a quarterly basis, as specified.

[AB 809](#) ([Bennett D](#)) Salmonid populations: California Monitoring Program Fund.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/8/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Signed by the Governor and chaptered into law.

Summary: Would require the Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish the California Monitoring Program to collect comprehensive data on anadromous salmonid populations, in coordination with relevant federal and state agencies, to inform salmon and steelhead recovery, conservation, and management activities. The bill would authorize the department to consult with local agencies, tribes, conservation organizations, and academic institutions to carry out monitoring efforts under the program. The bill would establish the California Monitoring Program Fund in the State Treasury to, upon appropriation by the Legislature, support the program. The bill would specify the types of moneys that may be deposited into the fund and would make related findings and declarations.

[AB 1581](#) ([Kalra D](#)) Diversion or obstruction of rivers, streams, or lakes: lake or streambed alteration agreement.

Current Text: Amended: 4/7/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: This bill was made a 2-year bill by the author and remains in the Senate Natural Resources & Water Committee

Summary: Would exempt certain individuals, public agencies, universities, zoological gardens, and scientific or educational institutions authorized to import, export, take, or possess any endangered species, threatened species, or candidate species for scientific, educational, or management purposes from the requirement to obtain an agreement with the department, as specified. The bill would instead require these entities to submit to the department a written notification, fee, and, if applicable, a copy of proposed environmental protection measures authorized by other agencies' programmatic habitat restoration permits, as specified. The bill would require the department to notify the entity in writing whether the exemption applies within 60 days from the date that the notification is complete and the fee has been paid. Because a violation of this provision would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

[SB 361](#) ([Dodd D](#)) Water resources: stream gages.

Current Text: Amended: 3/29/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: This bill failed to pass the Senate Appropriations Committee and is a 2-year bill

Summary:

Current law requires the Department of Water Resources and the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Department of Conservation, the Central Valley Flood Protection Board, interested stakeholders, and, to the extent they wish to consult, local agencies, to develop the plan to address significant gaps in

information necessary for water management and the conservation of freshwater species. This bill would require the Department of Water Resources and the board, upon appropriation of funds by the Legislature, to reactivate, upgrade, and install new stream gages, as provided. The bill would require the department and board to use the recommendations and data provided in the California Stream Gaging Prioritization Plan 2022 to complete specified actions by 2030. The bill would require the department to report to the Legislature, on or before January 1, 2026, and every 2 years thereafter, on progress made in completing those specified actions. The bill would require the data from all stream gages operating with any public money to be published as provisional data within 10 days of collection and made publicly available on the state's open water data platforms. The bill would require the department and board to develop and adopt a set of standards and processes for assessing, tracking, and reporting the accuracy of stream gages, evapotranspiration data, water meters, and other critical data inputs for water management, as provided. The bill would require the department and the board to consult with interested stakeholders to develop a plan to identify the gaps in the network of automated weather stations and eddy covariance towers to ensure accurate and comprehensive data collection.

Public Meetings

[AB 557](#) ([Hart D](#)) Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.

Current Text: Amended: 6/19/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Signed by the Governor and chaptered into law.

Summary: The Ralph M. Brown Act requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body of a local agency, as those terms are defined, be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act contains specified provisions regarding providing for the ability of the public to observe and provide comment. The act allows for meetings to occur via teleconferencing subject to certain requirements, particularly that the legislative body notice each teleconference location of each member that will be participating in the public meeting, that each teleconference location be accessible to the public, that members of the public be allowed to address the legislative body at each teleconference location, that the legislative body post an agenda at each teleconference location, and that at least a quorum of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the local agency's jurisdiction. The act provides an exemption to the jurisdictional requirement for health authorities, as defined. This bill would revise the authority of a legislative body to hold a teleconference meeting under those abbreviated teleconferencing procedures when a declared state of emergency is in effect. Specifically, the bill would extend indefinitely that authority in the circumstances under which the legislative body either (1) meets for the purpose of determining whether, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, or (2) has previously made that determination.

[SB 537](#) ([Becker D](#)) Open meetings: multijurisdictional, cross-county agencies: teleconferences.

Current Text: Amended: 9/5/2023 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Status: Two-year bill, currently on the Assembly Floor

Summary: Current law, under the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires that, during a teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction. The act provides an exemption to the jurisdictional requirement for health authorities, as defined. Current law, until January 1, 2024, authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternate teleconferencing provisions during a proclaimed state of emergency or in other situations related to public health that exempt a legislative body from the general requirements (emergency provisions) and impose different requirements for notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed. The emergency provisions specify that they do not require a legislative body to provide a physical location from which the public may attend or comment. Current law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternative teleconferencing in certain circumstances related to the particular member if at least a quorum of its members participate from a singular physical location that is open to the public and situated within the agency’s jurisdiction and other requirements are met, including restrictions on remote participation by a member of the legislative body. These circumstances include if a member shows “just cause,” including for a childcare or caregiving need of a relative that requires the member to participate remotely. This bill would expand the circumstances of “just cause” to apply to the situation in which an immunocompromised child, parent, grandparent, or other specified relative requires the member to participate remotely.

D. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, LEADERSHIP COUNCIL DIRECTION AND STAFF ACTION

The NCRP Leadership Council Executive Committee authorized staff to submit a letter to Governor Newsom supporting AB 970, which would have created the climate insurance grant program within the Department of Insurance. This legislation would have expanded insurance options and supported innovations in policies that enhance built infrastructure and nature-based solutions in economically disadvantaged, and historically underrepresented communities, while testing opportunities to achieve multiple objectives related to community health and safety, climate action, and environmental protection and conservation. Governor Newsom vetoed this legislation.

E. NCRP DASHBOARD OF OUTCOMES

NORTH COAST RESOURCE PARTNERSHIP

DASHBOARD OF OUTCOMES

In the ongoing effort to track and report the actions and accomplishments of various NCRP initiatives and planning, following is a progress 'dashboard' that summarizes NCRP actions and projects from 2005.

A. NCRP FUNDING AWARDS

- Project Implementation Agreements = 12
- Planning Grant Agreements = 10
- Total funding awarded = \$127,047,351
- Total reported funding leveraged = \$66,000,000 (actual leveraged and matching funds far greater than the reported amount)

B. REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR & PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

NCRP GRANT AWARDS SUMMARY LIST

Grant Name	Grant Award Amount	Grant Award Spent/ Invoiced	Funding Agency	Status	Sub Projects Awarded	Sub Projects Completed	Timeline		Notes
							Grant Agreement	Completion	
IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT GRANTS									
PROPOSITION 50									
<p>The North Coast Integrated Regional Watershed Management Plan (NCIRWMP) was developed in response to the Proposition 50 (Prop 50) Round 1 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) funding, awarded by the State Water Resources Control Board. The twenty-two projects funded through Proposition 50 Round 1 IRWM, were designed in this image, addressing ecological impacts at their source and generating benefits that have materialized in the regional and statewide economy. These projects directly addressed important goals of the NCIRWMP and the State of California: enhancing native salmonid habitat, providing adequate water supply to disadvantaged communities; and protecting and enhancing beneficial uses of impaired bodies of water. Prop 50 Round 2 & Supplemental Grant, funded by the State Water Resources Control Board, ensured that locally derived, solution-oriented actions are coordinated at the basin level and at the North Coast Region level to collectively address the cumulative impacts to salmonids and the beneficial uses of water throughout the entire North Coast Region.</p>									
Prop 50 Round 1	24,831,579	\$24,826,622	State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)	Completed	22	22	December 2007	April 2014	All 22 projects completed.
Prop 50 Round 2	\$2,075,000	\$2,074,740	SWRCB	Completed	4	4	April 2010	December 2015	All 4 projects completed.
Prop 50 Round 2 Supplemental	2,176,860	\$2,151,170	SWRCB	Completed	4	4	September 2010	December 2015	All 4 projects completed.
PROPOSITION 84									
<p>The Prop 84 projects, funded by the Department of Water Resources (DWR), provided significant water supply and water quality benefits to disadvantaged communities (DACs) in the North Coast region. The projects addressed critical needs for water supply reliability through infrastructure improvements, while others focused on meeting water quality needs through extensive watershed restoration and rehabilitation efforts. Projects were selected to provide water supply reliability, water recycling, water conservation, water quality improvement, storm water capture and management, flood management, recreation and access, wetlands enhancement and creation, and habitat improvement while fostering coordination, collaboration, and communication among North Coast partners. The grant funding provided economic benefits as well, creating jobs and stimulating local economies. Many of the projects also provided cultural value, benefiting local communities and Tribes and furthering the goals of the NCIRWM/North Coast Resource Partnership.</p>									
Prop 84 Round 1	\$8,221,061	\$7,767,256	Department of Water Resources (DWR)	Completed	17	17	April 2013	Aug 2018	All 17 projects were completed
Prop 84 Round 2	\$5,386,000	\$5,375,803	DWR	Completed	13	12	Sept 2014	June 2019	One project not completed and funds were allocated to another project.
Prop 84 Drought	\$8,700,000	\$8,327,111	DWR	Completed	11	10	July 2015	June 2020	One project unable to complete due to hydraulic and geotechnical issues.
Prop 84 Final Round	\$11,047,939	\$10,335,995	DWR	Completed	25	23	Sept 2016	Dec 2021	Two projects withdrawn due to obstacles that made project completion infeasible.
PROPOSITION 1									
<p>The Proposition 1 IRWM Grant Program, administered by DWR, provides funding for projects that help meet the long-term water needs of the region including assisting water infrastructure systems adapt to climate change and improving regional and local water self-reliance.</p>									
Prop 1 Round 1	\$14,884,537	\$6,443,183	DWR	In progress	20	1	April 2020	June 2025	Currently active and working on implementation
Prop 1 Round 2	\$7,115,463	\$0.00	DWR	Awarded	11	0	Pending	Pending	Working on executing grant agreement. Funds from 2 of the projects were moved to Prop 1 Round 1 grant agreement..

URBAN & MULTIBENEFIT DROUGHT RELIEF									
The Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Grant program, administered by DWR, will provide financial assistance to North Coast projects to address drought impacts on human health and safety, protect fish and wildlife resources, and support other public benefits, such as ecosystem improvements.									
Urban/Multi-benefit Drought Relief: Implementation	\$7,907,271	\$2,472,338	DWR	In progress	15	0	March 2022	April 2026	Currently active and working on implementation
Urban/Multi-benefit Drought Relief: Planning	\$685,485	\$342,743	DWR	In progress	2	0	June 2022	Aug 2025	Currently active and working on implementation
REGIONAL FOREST HEALTH PILOT									
CAL FIRE awarded the NCRP a \$10 million grant to implement the Regional Forest Health Pilot. This program was developed in collaboration with the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force (Task Force) and designed to be one of the implementing engines, furthering the goals of the California Department of Conservation's (DOC) Regional Forest and Fire Capacity (RFFC) Program. The NCRP Regional Forest Health Pilot will be a test bed intended to result in a regional, landscape scale portfolio of projects that implement the goals of the CAL FIRE Forest Health Program. It will be used to evaluate opportunities to connect CAL FIRE's Forest Health program with the priorities outlined in the NCRP's Regional Priority Plan funded by DOC's RFFC Program.									
Regional Forest Health Pilot	\$10,000,000	\$0.00	CAL FIRE	Awarded	TBD	TBD	Pending	March 2029	Working on grant agreement
	\$103,031,195	\$69,586,627			146	93			

PLANNING GRANTS

STRATEGIC GROWTH COUNCIL, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT

The objectives of the Strategic Growth Council, Sustainable Communities Planning Grant supported the NCRP to develop and obtain data related to carbon sequestration, emissions and renewable energy, forest and watershed health, downscaled climate data, natural capital values, sea level rise, built infrastructure – including water and wastewater, communications, transportation, and energy transmission. These data then became the basis for myriad meetings and planning sessions focused on integrated planning - among elected Tribal and County leaders, technical experts, staff and the community. The intent of these meetings and the planning process was to evaluate the data and information collected and to consider mechanisms to achieve multiple benefits from a particular strategy, action or set of actions. Examples included collaborative planning focused on geographic areas or projects that could achieve objectives related to fuel load reduction, forest health, water supply and quality, emissions reduction, local jobs and revenue and climate adaptation. These funds supported the development of the following: Climate Mitigation Report for the North Coast Region of California; North Coast Regional Climate Adaptation Report; Healthy Watersheds, Vital Communities, Thriving Economies: Actionable Strategies for California's North Coast Region; North Coast Healthy Watersheds & Vital Communities: Economic Analysis; Technical Report for the North Coast of California Ecosystem Service Valuation, March 2016; and A Review And Assessment of Potential Funding Sources for the North Coast Resource Partnership.

Sustainable Communities Grant	\$1,000,000	\$986,044	Strategic Growth Council/Department of Conservation	Completed	N/A	N/A	June 2014	March 2018	Successfully completed planning project.
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PROPOSITION 84 PLANNING GRANT

The Proposition 84 Planning Grant was awarded by DWR to the NCRP to facilitate activities associated with the implementation and maintenance of, what was referred to at that time as, the North Coast Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (NCIRWMP). The project integrated long term planning and high-quality project implementation in an adaptive management framework—fostering coordination and communication among the diverse stakeholders in the Region. Focus areas for the NCIRWMP included salmonid recovery, enhancement of the beneficial uses of water, and the synchronization of state and federal priorities with local priorities, knowledge, and leadership.

Proposition 84 Planning	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	DWR	Completed	N/A	N/A	Feb 2012	April 2015	Successfully completed planning project.
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TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT & ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE PROVIDERS

The NCRP undertook this pilot project to address the problem of failing infrastructure in economically disadvantaged communities (DACs) and provide tools to help sustain safe and effective water and wastewater service into the future. The funding provided for this project supported the NCRP's ability to gain a better understanding of the challenges faced by DACs in the North Coast Region. Technical assistance has been provided to disadvantaged communities and Tribes to help identify needs and potential solutions and prepare for funding opportunities. The project has been very successful in increasing the understanding of the needs of DAC water and wastewater service providers in the Region, improving lines of communication, and developing tools and strategies to build capacity.

Disadvantaged Communities Water and Wastewater Service Provider Outreach and Support Pilot	\$500,000	\$500,000	DWR	Completed	N/A	N/A	Oct 2011	Jan 2015	Successfully completed planning project.
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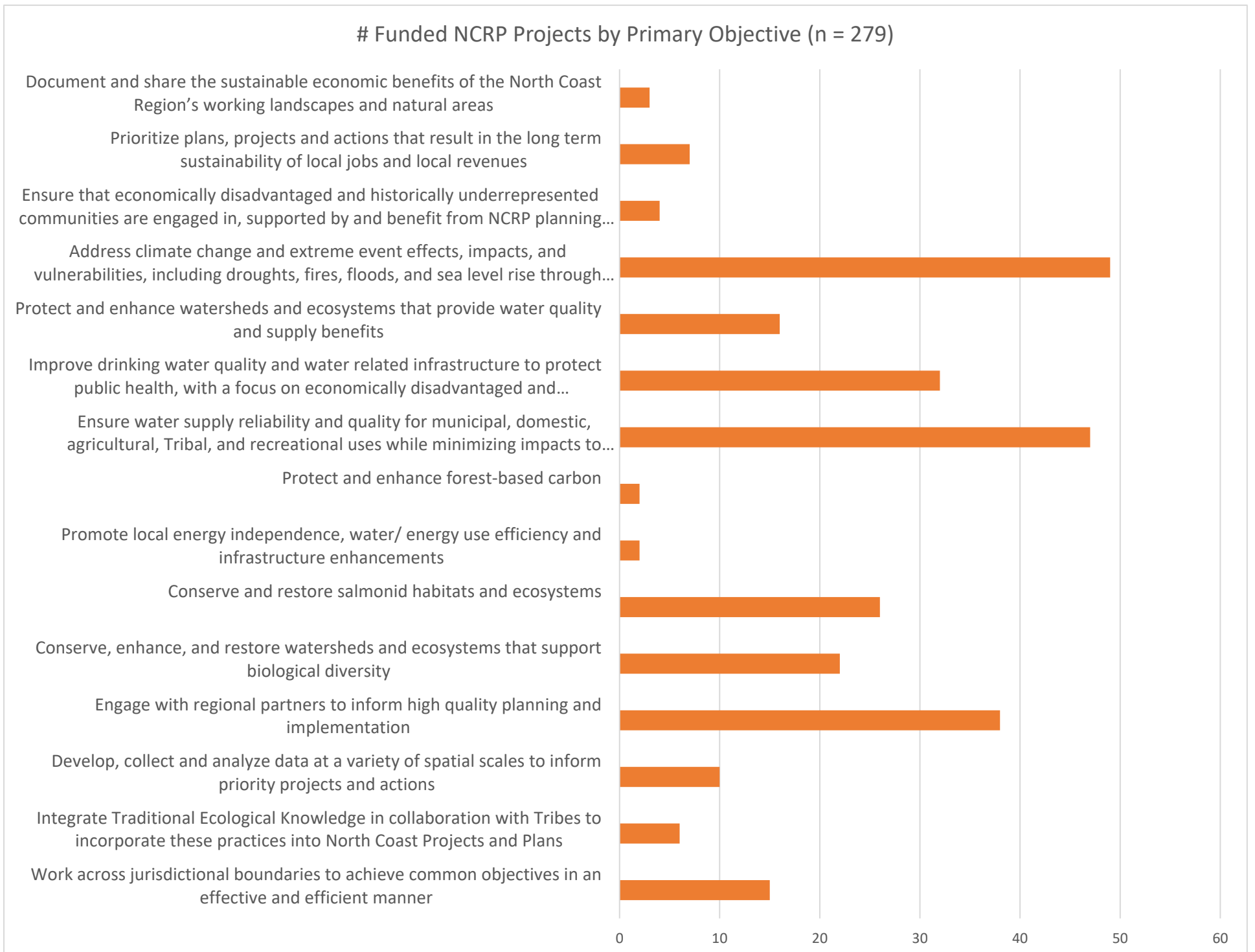
Tribal Engagement & Economic Opportunity for Disadvantaged Communities	\$2,650,000	TBD	DWR	In Progress	N/A	N/A	April 2017	Oct 2023	
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REGIONAL FOREST AND FIRE CAPACITY (RFFC) PROGRAM BLOCK GRANTS

The grants are designed to align with and reflect all elements of the RFFC program guidelines, and will support the rapid increase of wildfire, forest, and community resiliency projects consistent with the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan, Agreement for Shared Stewardship of California's Forests and Rangelands, the California Forest Carbon Plan, and Executive Order B-52-18. This will be accomplished through the development and implementation of NCRP's Regional Priority Plan, supporting the enhanced capacity of regional partners, and developing a substantial suite of priority projects ready for implementation. Nearly \$1.8 million of this award was used to fund 13 demonstration projects intended to be scalable, replicable, measurable, innovative, and result in outcomes that will increase the pace, scope, and scale of multi-benefit forest management and stewardship in the North Coast region.

Regional Forest and Fire Capacity - Round 1	\$4,037,500	TBD	Natural Resources Agency/ Department of Conservation	In Progress	13	13	May 2019	March 2024	Included \$1.8 million to fund 13 demonstration projects
Regional Forest and Fire Capacity - Round 2	\$13,560,000	TBD	Department of Conservation	In Progress	Sub Awards Pending		November 2021	December 2025	

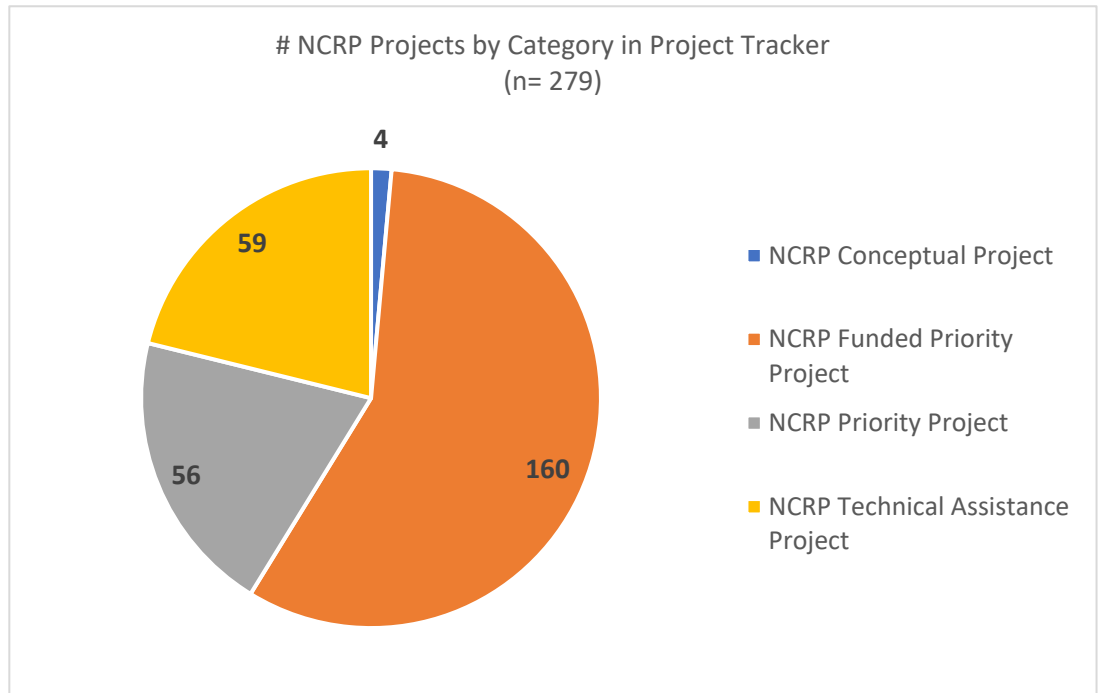
FIRE RESPONSE CAPACITY PROJECT									
The grant funded by the Humboldt Area Foundation and Wild Rivers Community Foundation funds a pilot project intended to strengthen the long-term sustainability of the fire response programs of Tribes and very rural fire departments and protection districts, through capacity building. The geographic area covered by this pilot project encompasses Humboldt (including Karuk Tribal territory that overlaps with Siskiyou County), Del Norte, and Trinity Counties. This pilot project is being integrated into the larger regionwide RFFC Program.									
Fire Response Capacity Project	\$400,000	TBD	Humboldt Area Foundation & Wild Rivers Community Foundation	In Progress	Sub Awards Pending	TBD	November 2021	Nov 2023	
WOODY FEEDSTOCK AGGREGATION PILOT PROJECT									
The County of Humboldt, on behalf of the NCRP, was selected as one of five public agencies to lead pilot projects to develop and provide regional strategies to improve feedstock supply chain logistics in order to produce community fire resilience benefits.									
Woody Feedstock Aggregation Pilot Project	\$700,000	TBD	Governor's Office of Planning and Research	In Progress	Pilots Pending		February 2022	March 2025	
ACTIONABLE LIDAR-BASED DATA FOR WILDFIRE PREVENTION PLANNING, RESPONSE, AND REHABILITATION ON CALIFORNIA'S NORTH COAST									
The NCRP worked with regional and state partners to secure funding for the "Filling the gaps in lidar data for Northern California" project which is supporting the acquisition and processing of lidar data by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). Subsequently, the NCRP was selected to receive funds (\$149,466) from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to support the "Actionable Lidar-Based Data for Wildfire Prevention Planning, Response, and Rehabilitation on California's North Coast Project". The Project will process the lidar data collected by the USGS to create a unified point cloud and derived products to support wildfire planning, response, and recovery for the twelve (12) million acres of California's North Coast Region.									
Actionable Lidar-Based Data for Wildfire Prevention Planning, Response, and Rehabilitation on California's North Coast	\$123,656	TBD	National Aeronautics and Space Administration	In Progress	N/A	N/A	Oct 2022	Oct 2024	
RIPARIAN CORRIDOR REGIONAL WORK PLAN									
This funding, provided by the Resources Legacy Fund, is supporting the development of a detailed scope of work to share with funders for the creation of an aquatic ecosystem and working lands conservation plan for the North Coast Region.									
Riparian Corridor Regional Work Plan	\$45,000	TBD	Resources Legacy Fund	In Progress	N/A	N/A	August 2022	Dec 2023	
Subtotal:	\$24,016,156	\$2,486,044			13	13			
Grand Total	\$127,047,351				159	106			



C. PROJECT PRIORITIZATION, DEVELOPMENT AND CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT

NCRP PROJECTS BY CATEGORY

NCRP Conceptual Project	4
NCRP Funded Priority Project	160
NCRP Priority Project	56
NCRP Technical Assistance Project	59
	279



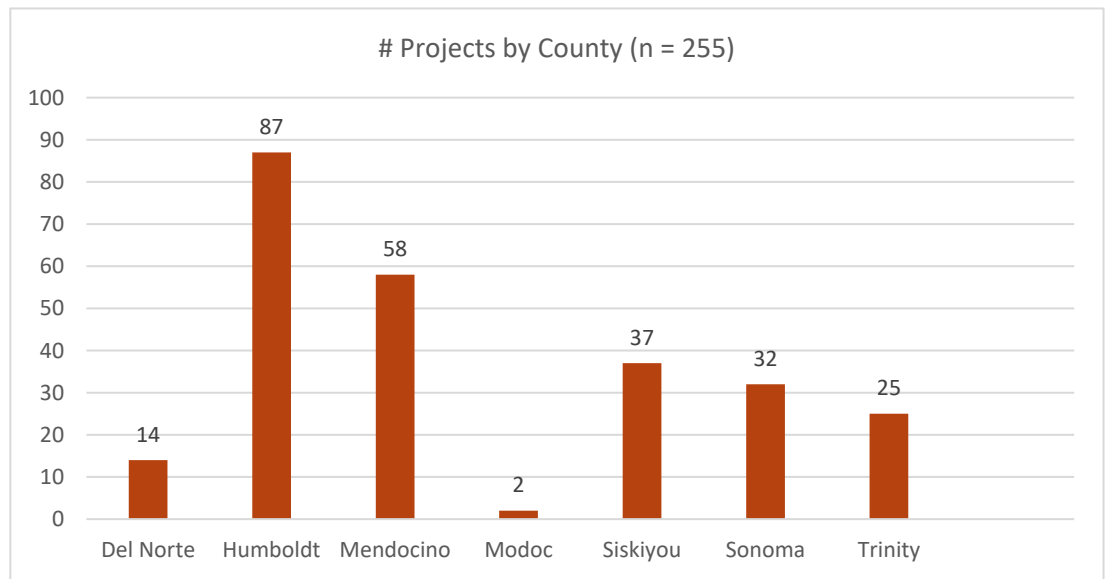
NCRP PROJECTS BY TRIBAL SPONSOR

Blue Lake Rancheria	2
Dry Creek Rancheria	2
Hoop Valley Tribe	5
Hopland Rancheria	2
Karuk Tribe	2
Pinoleville Rancheria	1
Resighini Rancheria	1
Rohnerville Rancheria	1
Round Valley Indian Tribes	1
Smith River Rancheria	1
Yurok Tribe	6
	24



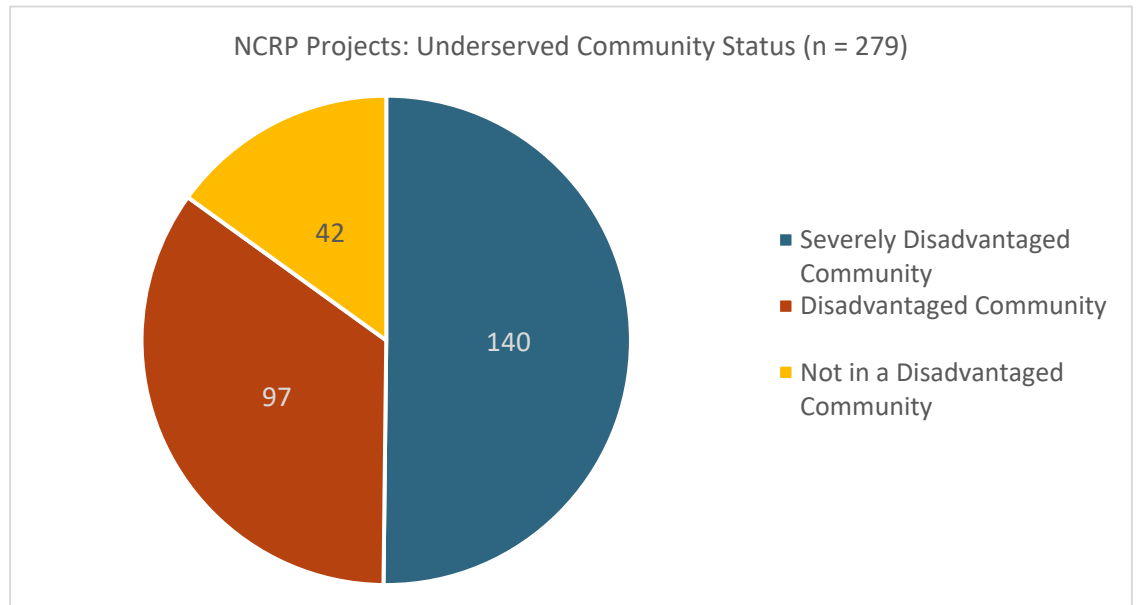
NCRP PROJECTS BY COUNTY

Del Norte	14
Humboldt	87
Mendocino	58
Modoc	2
Siskiyou	37
Sonoma	32
Trinity	25
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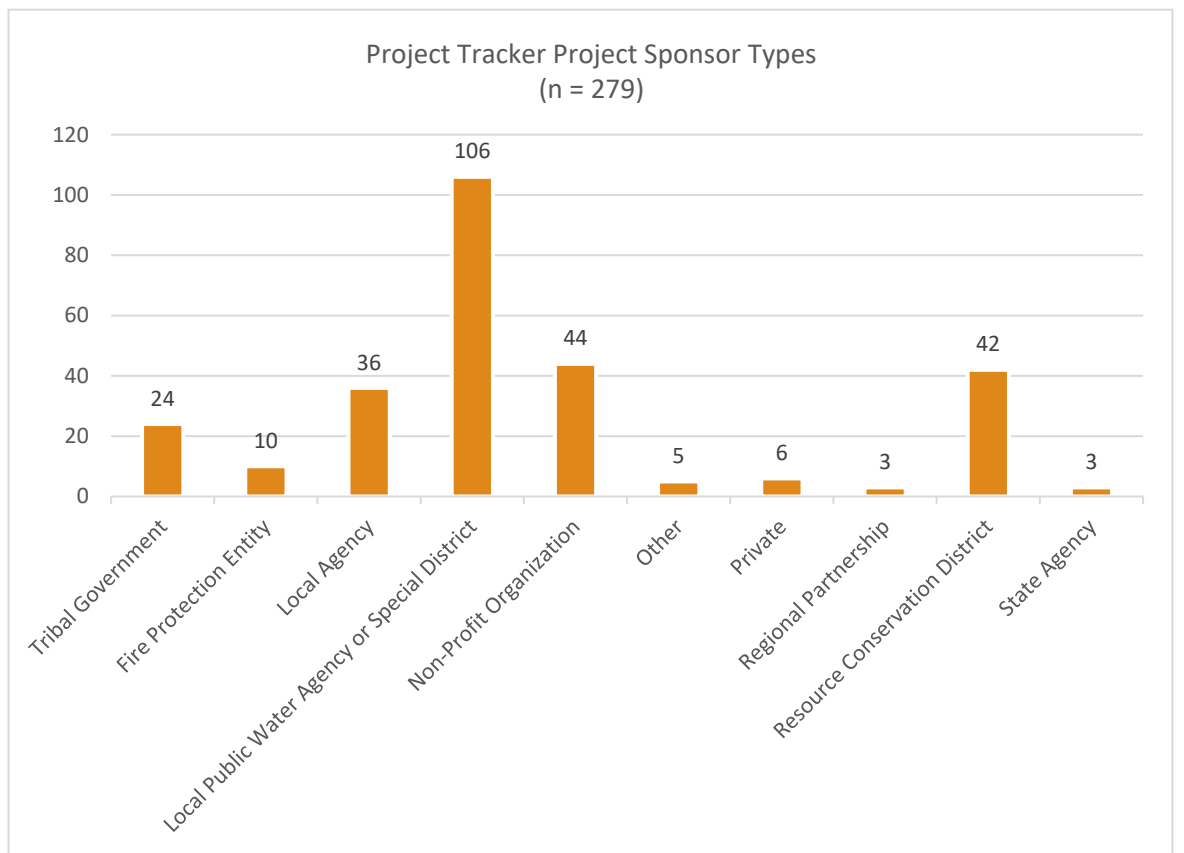
NCRP PROJECTS BY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY STATUS

Severely Disadvantaged Community	140
Disadvantaged Community	97
Not in a Disadvantaged Community	42
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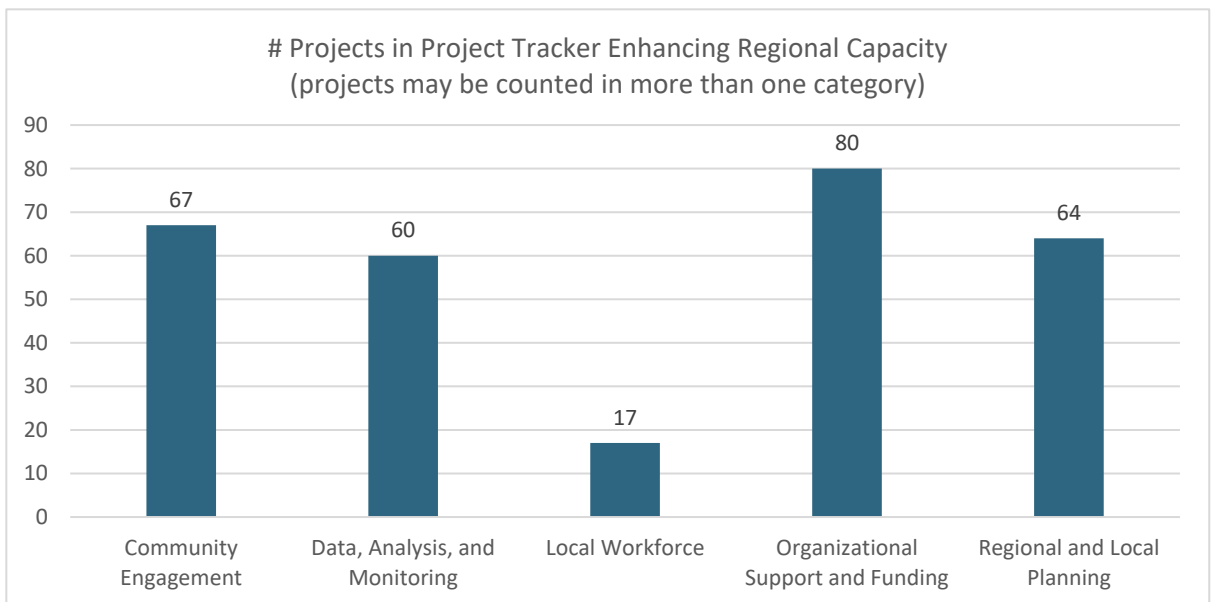
PROJECT SPONSOR TYPE

Tribal Government	24
Fire Protection Entity	10
Local Agency	36
Local Public Water Agency or Special District	106
Non-Profit Organization	44
Other	5
Private	6
Regional Partnership	3
Resource Conservation District	42
State Agency	3
Total	279



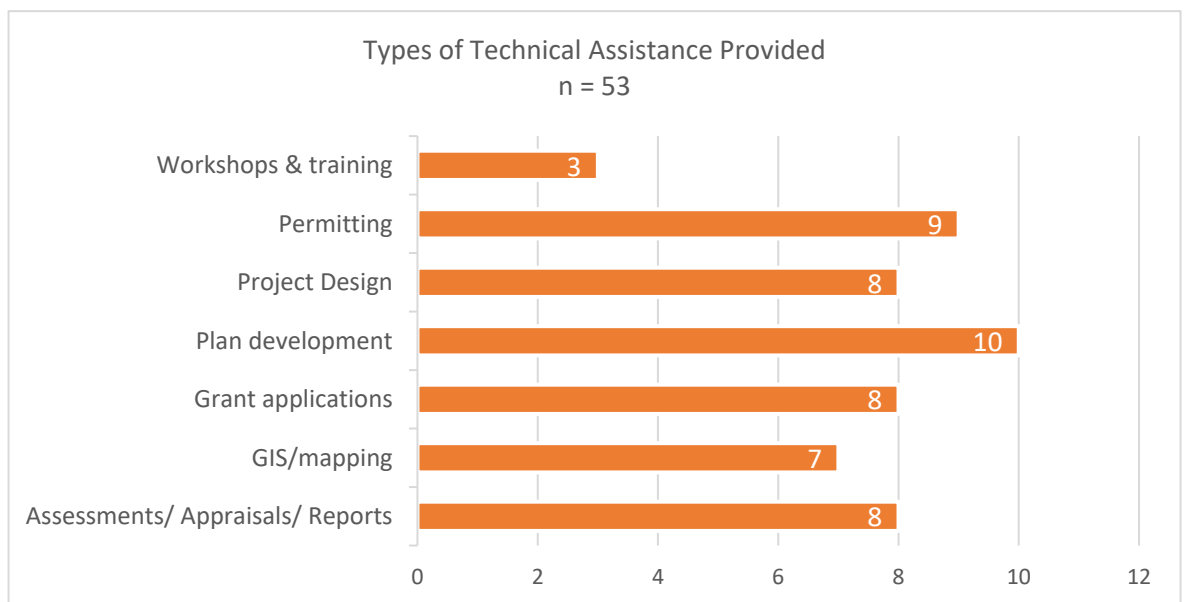
NCRP PROJECTS ENHANCING REGIONAL CAPACITY BY ACTIVITY TYPE

Community Engagement	67
Data, Analysis, and Monitoring	60
Local Workforce	17
Organizational Support and Funding	80
Regional and Local Planning	64
Total	288



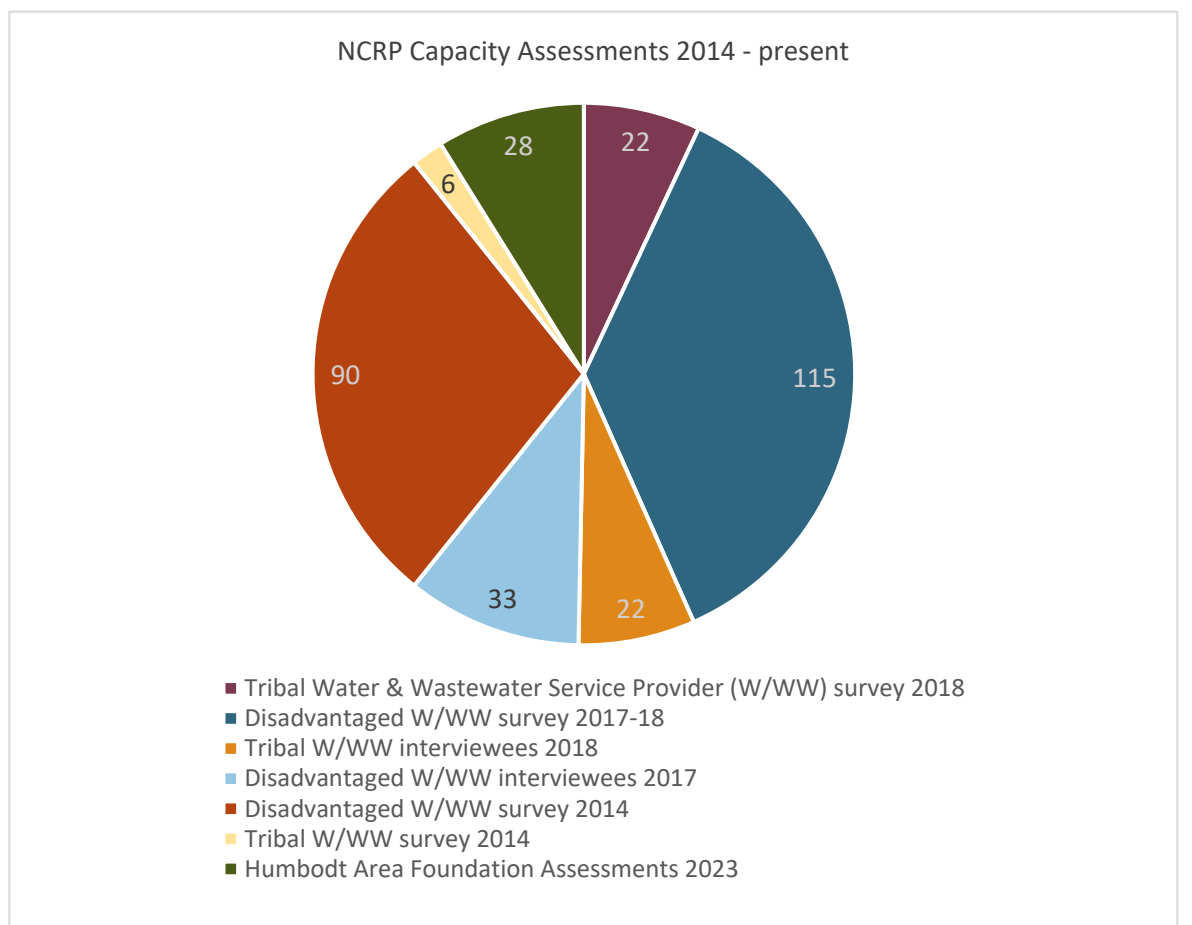
NCRP RFFC ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS BY TYPE

Technical Assistance	53
Demonstration (Implementation)	13
Total	66



NCRP CAPACITY ASSESSMENTS

Tribal Water & Wastewater Service Provider (W/WW) survey 2018	22
Disadvantaged W/WW survey 2017-18	115
Tribal W/WW interviewees 2018	22
Disadvantaged W/WW interviewees 2017	33
Disadvantaged W/WW survey 2014	90
Tribal W/WW survey 2014	6
Humboldt Area Foundation Assessments 2023	28
Total	316



PROJECT BENEFITS

Agricultural Heritage Preservation = 39 projects

Avoided Costs = \$ 26,006,929

Biomass Utilization = 80 tons

Capacity Enhancement = 38 projects

Climate resilience: Carbon storage = 312 metric tons

Climate resilience: GHG reduction = 155 metric tons

Community Health & Safety = 66 projects

Environmental justice & social equity = 157 projects

Firefighting capacity/infrastructure improved = 25 projects

Fuel Reduction = 422 acres

Habitat: Increased instream flow = 32,278 acre-ft

Habitat: protection of special status species = 72 projects

Habitat: restoration & enhancement = 2,308 acres

Honoring & Incorporating Tribal priorities = 28 projects

Jobs created or maintained (FTE) = 631

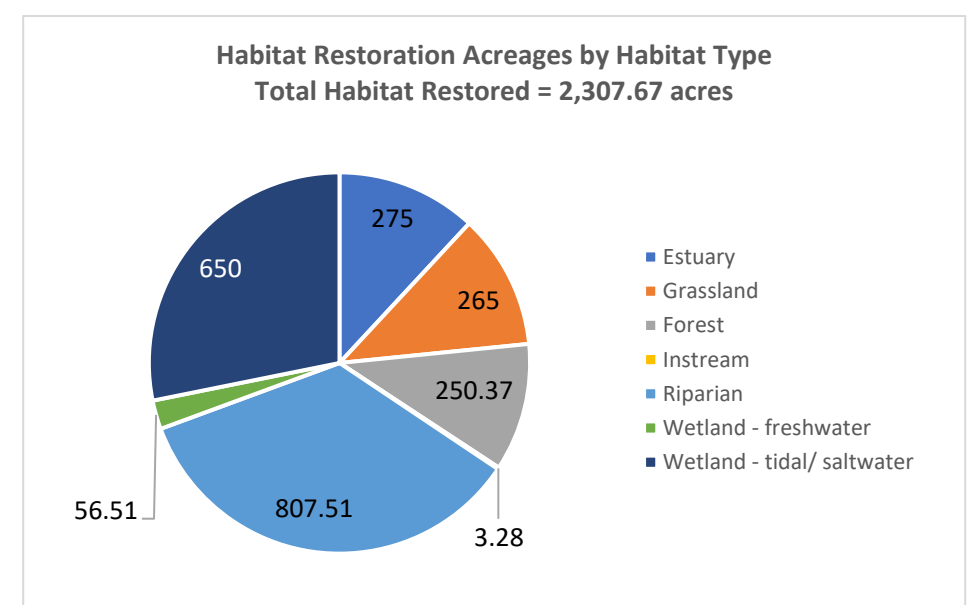
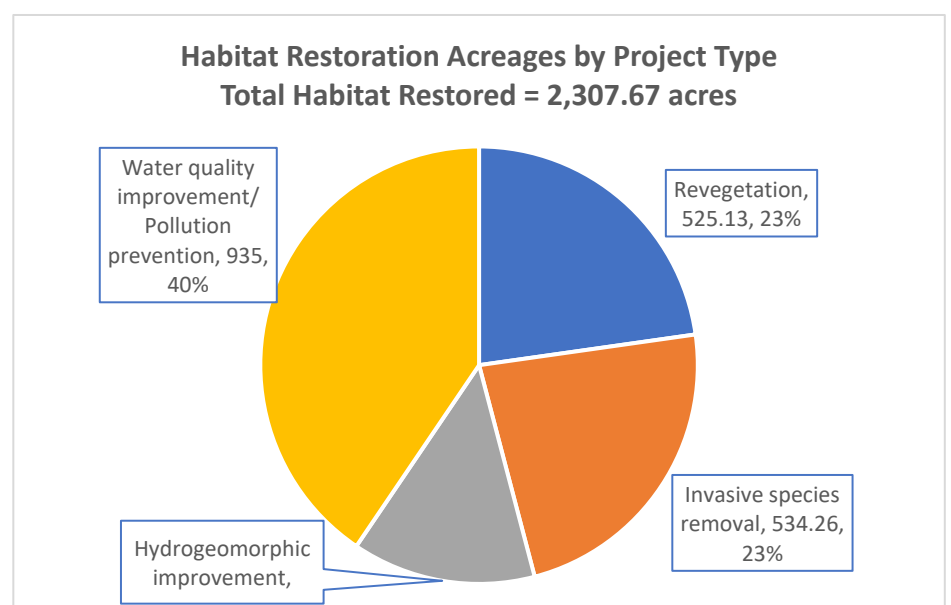
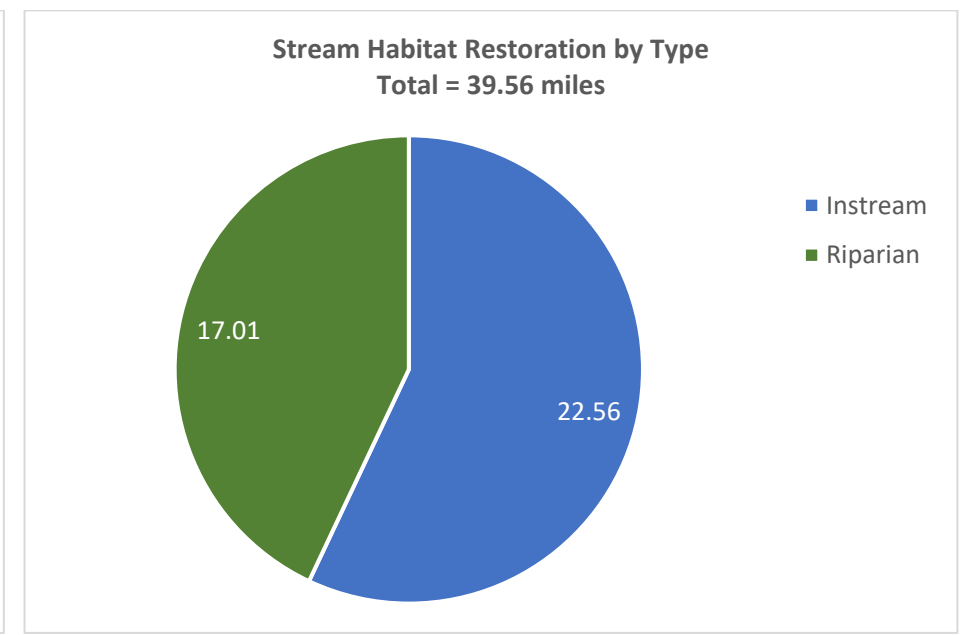
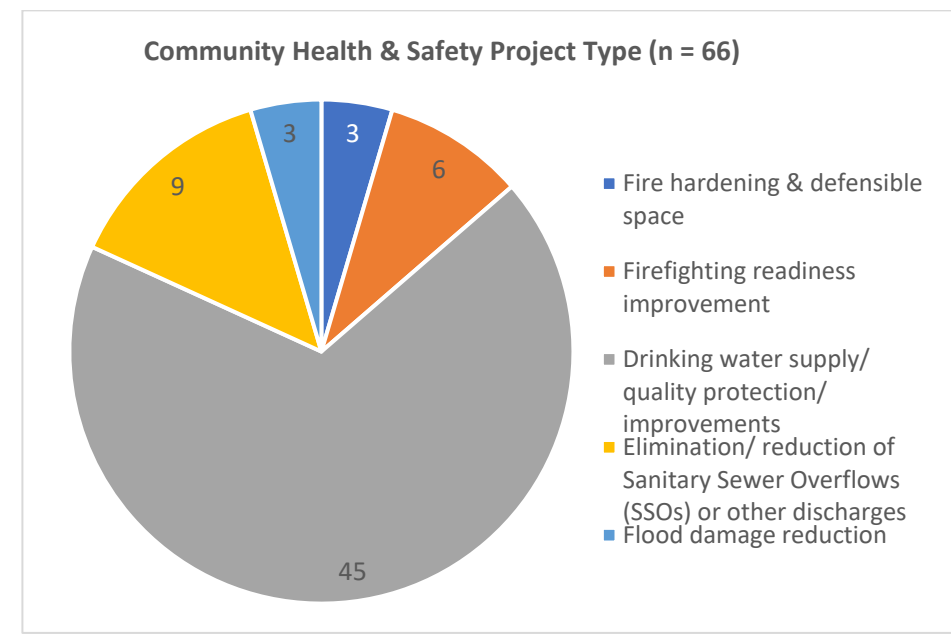
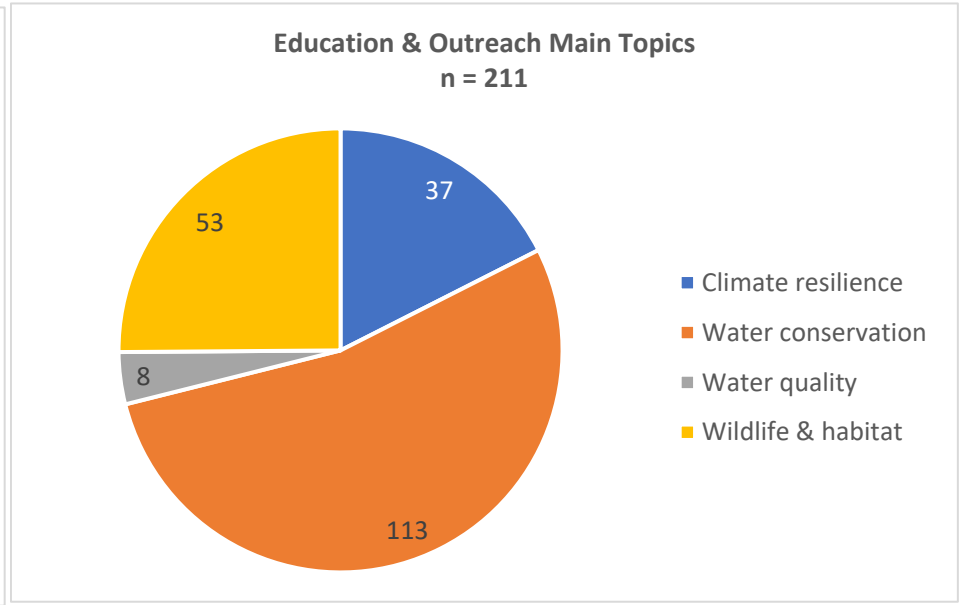
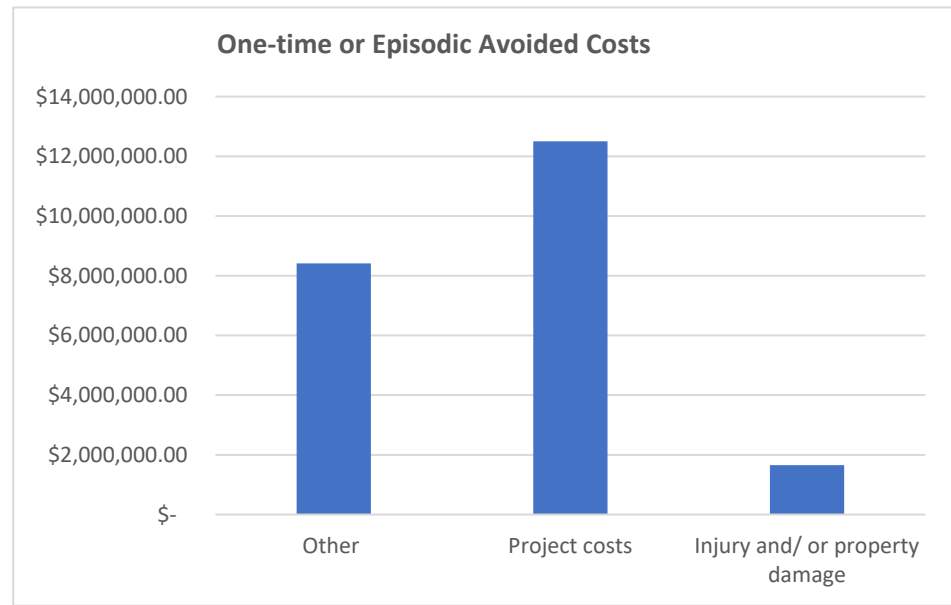
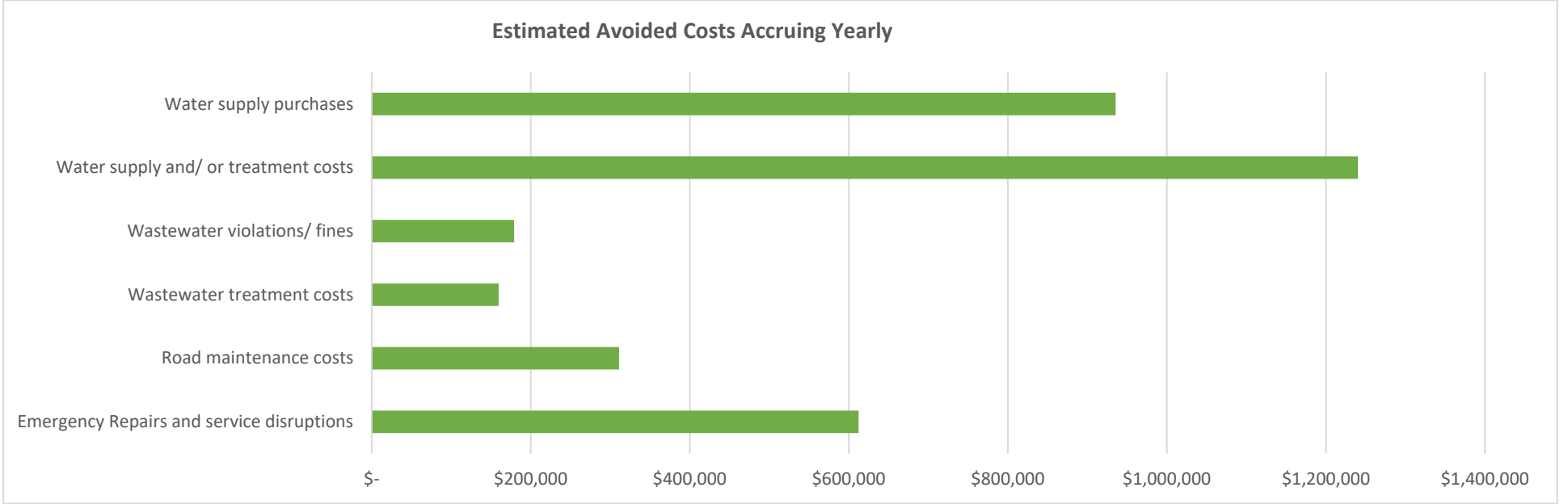
Revegetation and Reforestation = 153,201 plants

Water quality: improved water quality = 47 projects

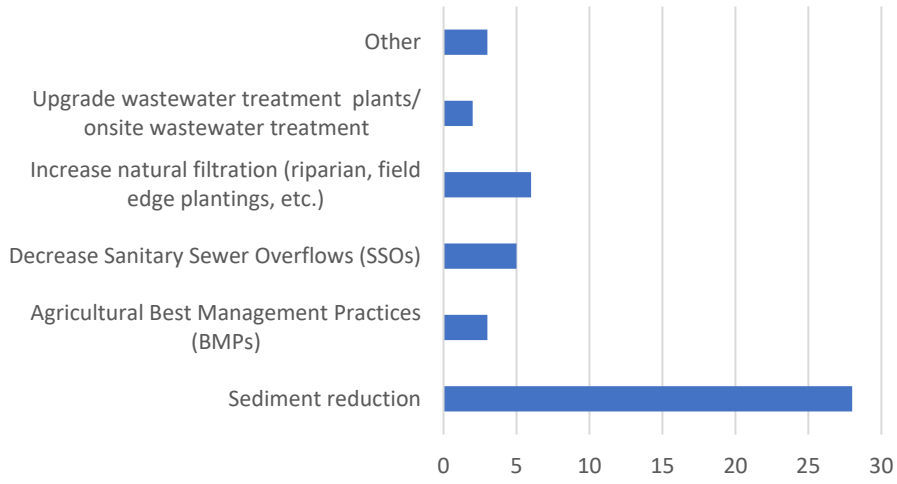
Water quality: sediment stabilization = 1,663,340 tons

Water supply: improved reliability = 32,278 acre-ft year

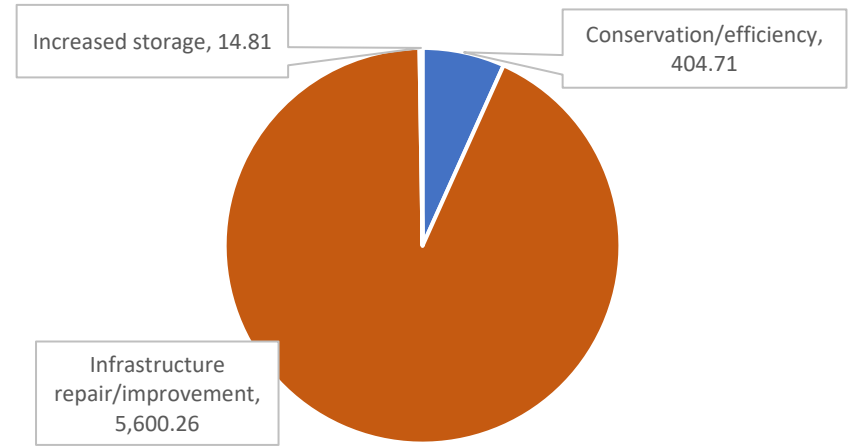
Water supply: improved reliability = 78,207 households)



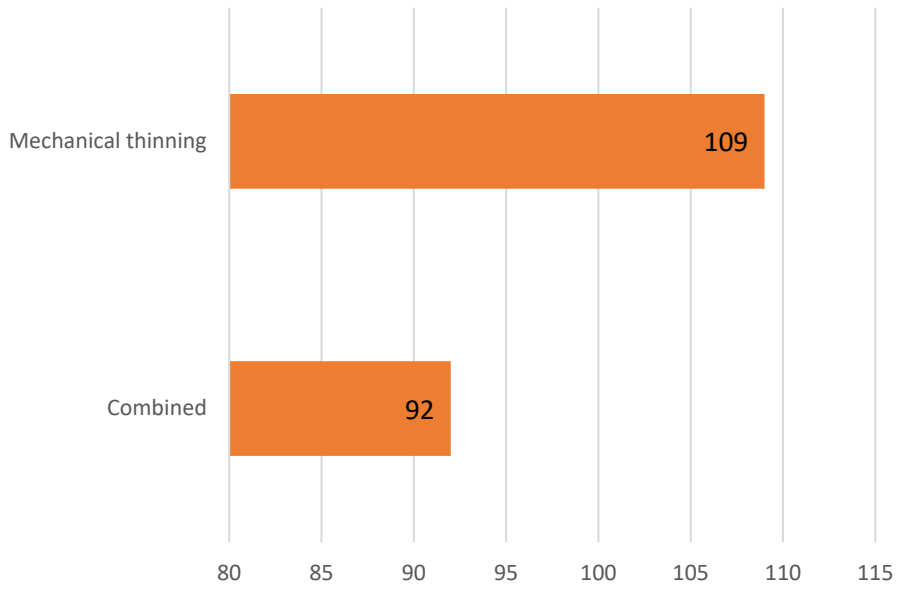
Water Quality Projects by Project Type (n=47)



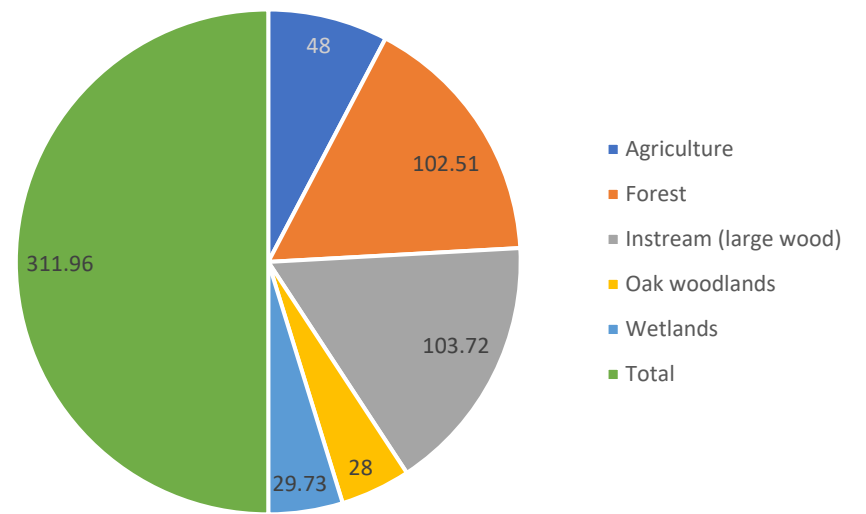
Water Supply by Project Type Total = 6,019.78 acre-feet



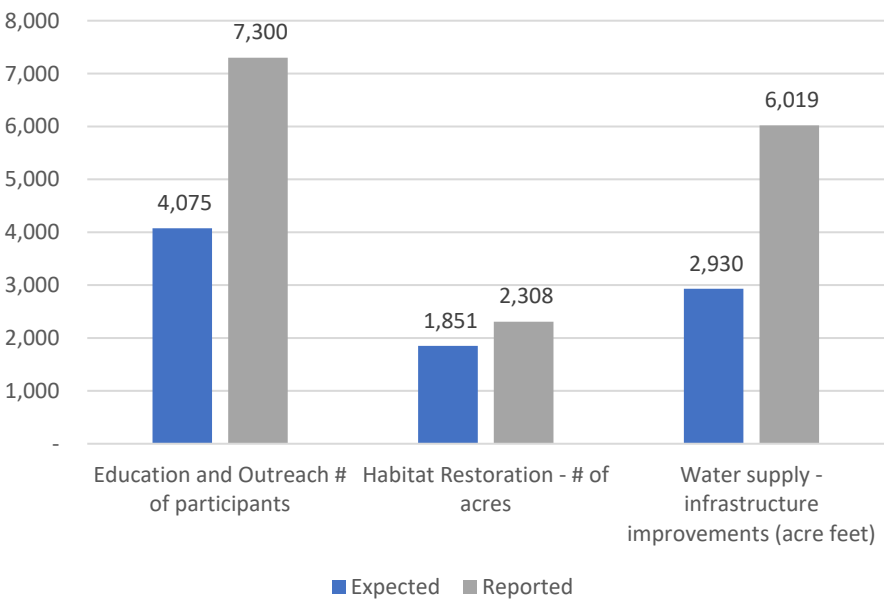
Fuels Reduction Acreage by Project Type Total = 201 acres



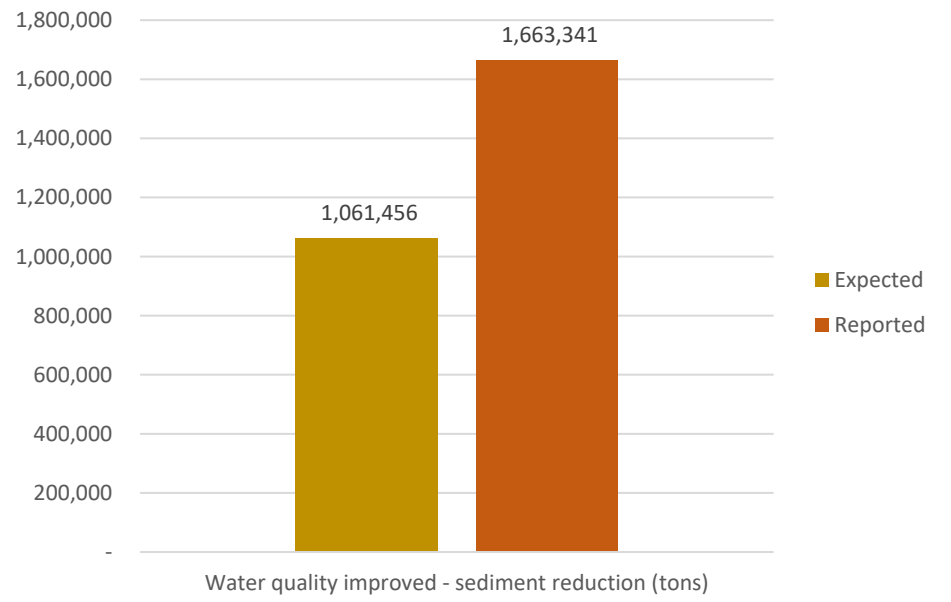
Carbon Storage by Habitat Type Total = 312 metric tons CO2e



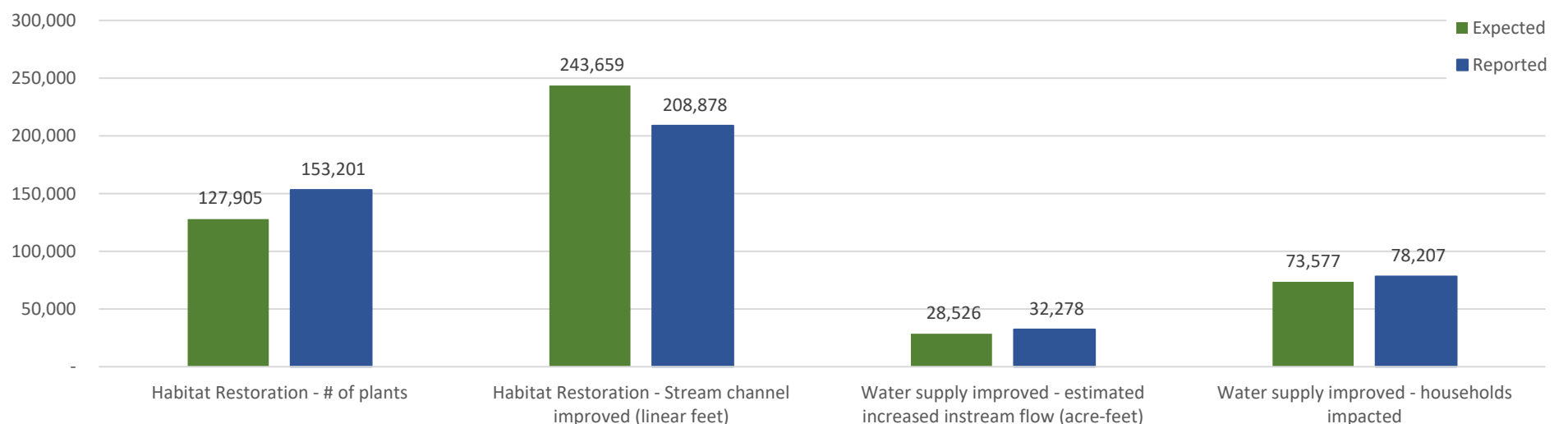
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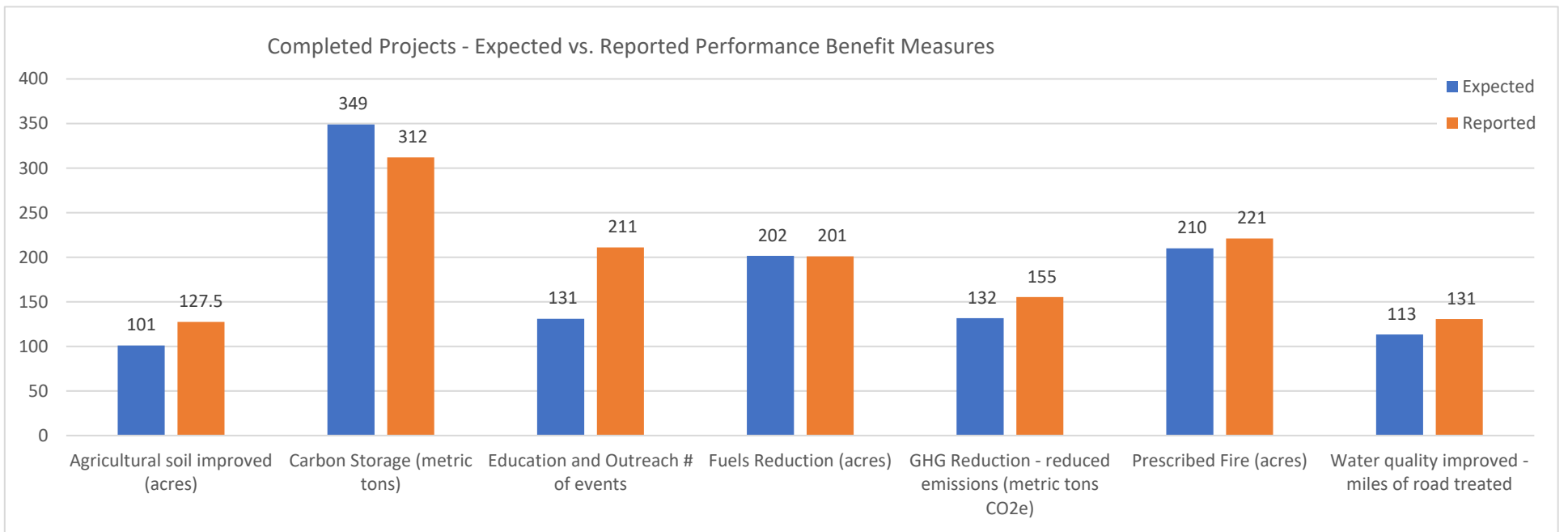


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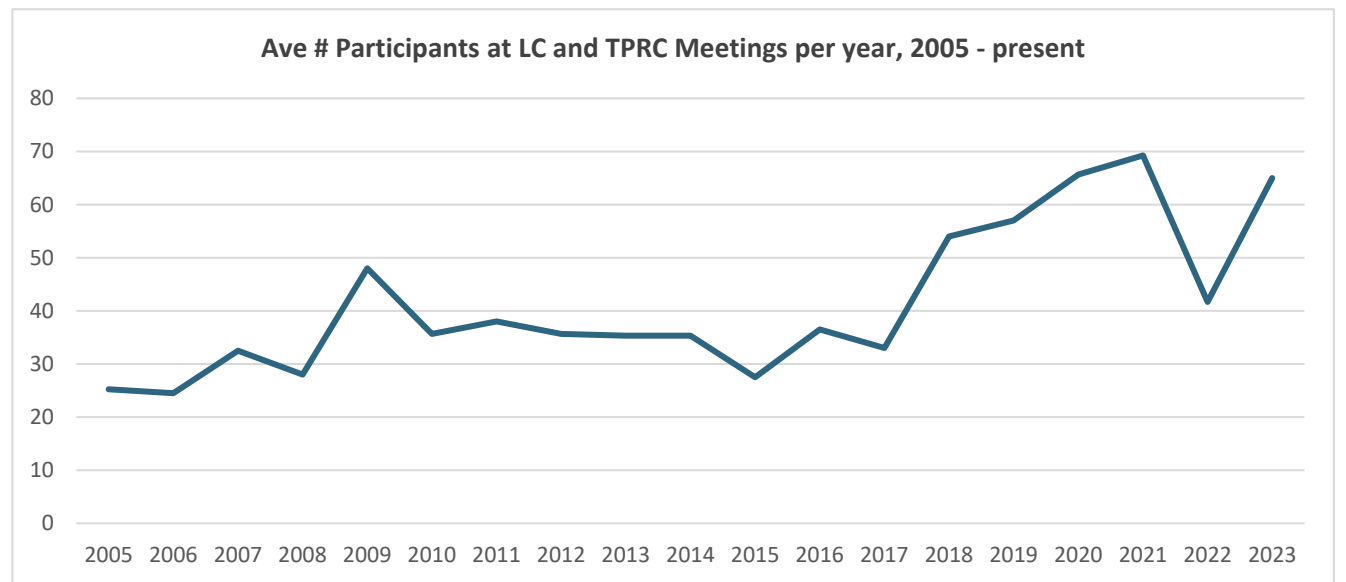


D. NCRP ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

- # NCRP Leadership Quarterly meetings = 49
- NCRP Leadership Quarterly meeting participation = 1911
- # Workshops or Events (and # participants) = TBD
- # Tribal Representative Meetings (and # attended) = TBD
- # Tribal Meetings (and # participants) = TBD
- # Tribal Council Presentations = TBD
- # Partner Meetings & Presentations = TBD

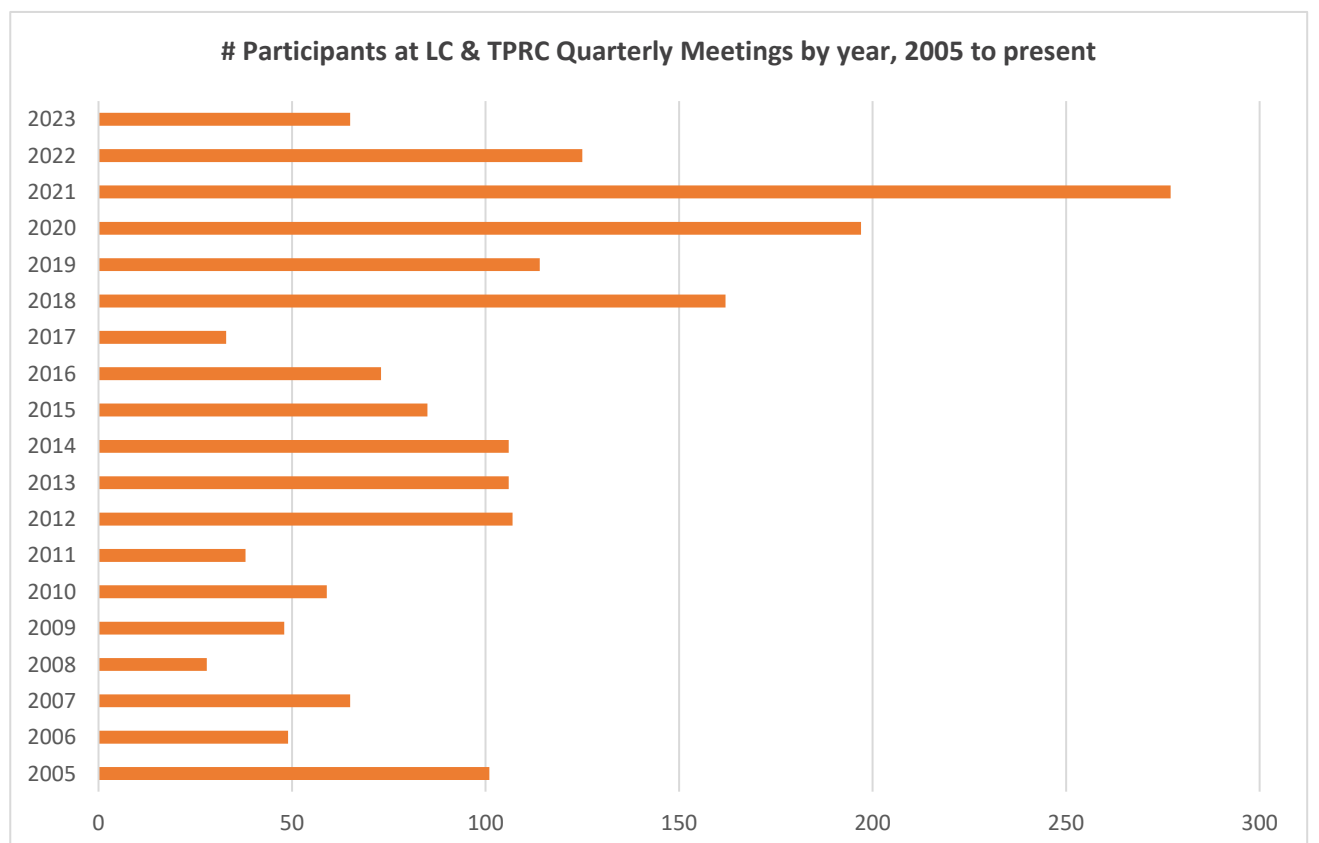
AVERAGE # PARTICIPANTS AT NCRP QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Year	Ave # Participants
2005	25
2006	25
2007	33
2008	28
2009	48
2010	36
2011	38
2012	36
2013	35
2014	35
2015	28
2016	37
2017	33
2018	54
2019	57
2020	66
2021	69
2022	42
2023	65



NCRP QUARTERLY MEETING PARTICIPANTS BY YEAR

Year	# Participants
2005	101
2006	49
2007	65
2008	28
2009	48
2010	59
2011	38
2012	107
2013	106
2014	106
2015	85
2016	73
2017	33
2018	162
2019	114
2020	197
2021	277
2022	125
2023	65



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