Priority Conservation Area Grant Program



2024 Grant Award Recommendations







November 8, 2024



- December 8 Committee approval to release \$8.5M Call for Proposals
- March 11 Grant Program Guidelines and Call for Proposals released
- May 8 24 LOIs received (\$21.2M)
- June 6 15 proposals advanced
- August 28 Full applications due
- November 8 13 award recommendations





- Evaluation criteria
 - Alignment with PCA Goals
 - Partnership / EPC benefits
 - Regional Significance
 - Likelihood of Success
 - Multiple Benefits
 - Operations and Maintenance
- Evaluation Committee
 - MTC / SFEP / SCC

Award Recommendations

- Full award for projects >85pts (7)
- 75% award for projects 84-76 pts (6)
- No award for projects <75pts (2)







Award Recommendations (1 of 2)

County	Applicant	Project Name	Proposed Award
Alameda	East Bay Regional Park District	Tidewater Expansion at Martin Luther King Jr Regional Shoreline	\$ 1,000,000
Napa	Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District	Phinney Fee Acquisition	\$ 1,000,000
Santa Clara	Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency	Richmond Ranch Acquisition Project	\$ 1,000,000
Sonoma	City of Santa Rosa	Southeast Greenway	\$ 750,000
Solano	Solano County Resource Management	Farm to Market Phase 4	\$ 750,000
Napa	Napa County Public Works	Napa Valley Vine Trail - Vista Carneros Segment	\$ 750,000
San Francisco	City and County of San Francisco, Recreation and Parks Department	Visitacion Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Improvement Project	\$ 750,000





Award Recommendations (2 of 2)

County	Applicant	Project Name	Proposed Award
Marin	Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy	Evolving Shorelines Project at Bothin Marsh	\$ 670,000
Sonoma	Sonoma County Regional Parks	Sonoma - Schellville Trail Design	\$ 550,000
Santa Clara	County of Santa Clara Parks and Recreation	Upper Stevens Creek Trail Project	\$ 500,000
Contra Costa	Contra Costa Resource Conservation District	Rangeland Enhancement through Livestock Pond Restoration	\$ 280,000
Santa Clara	Peninsula Open Space Trust	Coyote Valley Wildlife Connectivity Planning Project	\$ 250,000
Santa Clara	Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority	Rancho Canada del Oro Open Space Preserve Regional Bay Area Ridge Trail Expansion	\$ 250,000
		TOTAL	\$8,500,000







Requested Action & Path Forward



Today: Approve \$8.5M for recommended projects

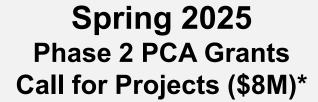
Phase 1 PCA Grants (\$8.5M)*



Award funding



*\$18M approved by Commission in Reso. 4505



- Expanded technical assistance
- Opportunities for streamlined reapplication
- SB1425 implementation



Priority Conservation Areas *Update designations*

Call for New Designations





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