



Wildlife Conservation Board Lower American River Conservancy Program 2020 Proposal Solicitation Notice and Timeline

The Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) is preparing to release its third competitive grant solicitation for the Lower American River Conservancy Program (Program) on June 1, 2020. The funding source for the 2020 grant cycle is solely Proposition 68 and approximately \$2 million will be made available for projects.

WCB is recommending that the priorities for this grant cycle focus on the water quality goal and education and interpretation goal of the Program. This recommendation comes from an assessment of the projects recommended thus far for funding and the primary goal these projects are advancing in the Parkway.

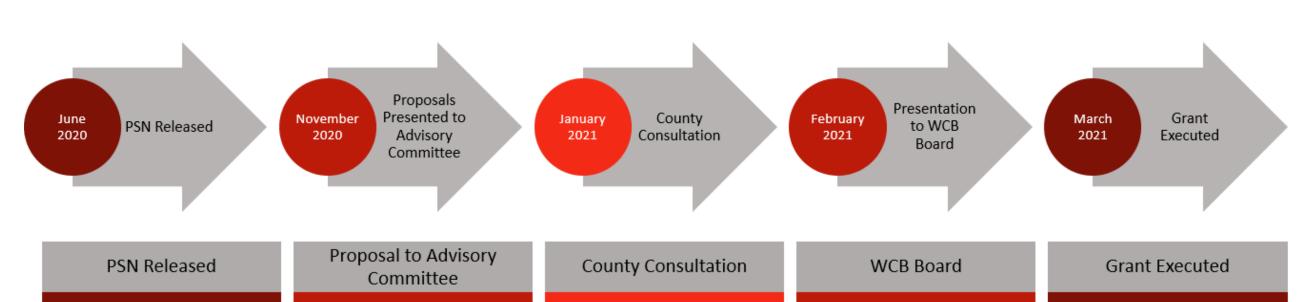
To date, the Advisory Committee has recommended \$4,065,106 be invested in projects with a primary goal of public access, \$1,118,000 be invested in projects with a primary goal of fish and wildlife habitat, and \$112,000 be invested in projects with a primary goal of education and interpretation. Thus far, no Program dollars have been invested towards improving the quality of water that flows into and within the Parkway and a relatively small amount has been invested towards the educational and interpretive resources of the Parkway.

The 2020 grant cycle will use the same scoring criteria that was used in the 2019 grant cycle. A review subteam will score each proposal and develop recommendations for funding, to be presented to the Advisory Committee for consideration. Following Advisory Committee recommendation, projects are reviewed by Sacramento County's Recreation and Parks Commission and go to final approval before the Wildlife Conservation Board.

The attached Timeline illustrates each phase and milestone of the Program's competitive grant process and the duration of each phase.



Lower American River Conservancy Program Proposal Timeline – from PSN to Board Approval



- 60 days to submit full application (7/31/2020)
- 7 days for administrative review (8/7/2020)
- 28 days for technical review (9/5/2020)

At least 60 days after close of technical review process (11/6/2020)

- 30 days to complete Parkway Plan Analysis
- Recreation and Parks Commission meets the fourth Thursday of the month (1/28/2021)
- At least 60 days to prepare grant agreement and Board agenda materials
- Board meets quarterly in February, May, August, and November

30 days to issue Notice to Proceed (March 2021)