The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) intends to award the payable grant listed below to pilot the new strategic implementation framework outlined in the State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP) Initiative, in accordance with Fish and Game Code Section 1501.5(b), Governor’s Executive Order 9/7/2018.

This CDFW funded project will explore ways to effectively implement priorities identified under SWAP 2015 and the companion plans; therefore, if the pilot is successfully conducted, the results and lessons learned from the process will inform how to better implement other companion plan sectors’ priorities in the future.

This project is necessary because it will identify methods and processes for leveraging conservation funding through collaboration with third parties i.e., Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO), Foundations. Leveraged funding will greatly increase the amount of funding for conservation and implementation of SWAP 2015 in California. The approach for this project aims to:

- Achieve SWAP and the companion plan priorities;
- Guide a shared monitoring, evaluation, and adaptive management system among CDFW and partners to collaboratively monitor, evaluate, and adapt the implementation of SWAP 2015 strategies;
- Promote and formalize partnerships with potential donors as identified in the “SWAP Initiative - Operation and Implementation Strategy” to co-achieve aligned priorities by effectively leveraging human and financial resources; and
- Pursue expanded funding opportunities and patronage with the goal of tripling non-federal match to increase implementation capability of the pilot projects and SWAP 2015.

The following table identifies the grant project proposed for award. Funding of this project is contingent upon approval of the Director and execution of a grant agreement.

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