

California Conservation Corps and Certified Community Conservation Corps

Proposition 1 - Water Bond Guidelines – Chapter 6

Corps Consultation Process

This process has been developed to ensure compliance with Division 26.7 of the Water Code, Chapter 6, Section 79734 that specifies the involvement of the California Conservation Corps (CCC) and the certified community conservation corps (as represented by the California Association of Local Conservation Corps-CALCC).

Section 79734 states “For restoration and ecosystem protection projects funded pursuant to this chapter, the services of the California Conservation Corps or a local conservation corps certified by the California Conservation Corps **shall be used whenever feasible.**”

Applicants for funds to complete restoration and ecosystem protection projects **shall** consult with representatives of CCC AND CALCC, the entity representing the certified community conservation corps, to determine the feasibility of the Corps participation. Unless otherwise exempted (see notes below), applicants that fail to engage in such consultation should not be eligible to receive Chapter 6 funds. **The Corps must be consulted each grant cycle prior to application.** Returning applicants cannot reuse the Corps Consultation Form or any other proof of consultation from previous CDFW Proposition 1 Solicitations. If past consultations are submitted, the requirement is **not** met.

CCC and CALCC have developed the following consultation process for inclusion in Prop 1 – Chapter 6 project and/or grant program guidelines:

Step 1: Applicants are encouraged to reach out to both Corps early in the process as you’re developing the proposal to determine how the Corps can be included. Applicant prepares the following information for submission to both CCC and CALCC:

- Project Title
- Project Description (identifying key project activities and deliverables)
- Project Map (showing project location)
- Project Implementation estimated start and end dates

Step 2: Applicant submits the forgoing information via email concurrently to CCC **AND** CALCC representatives:

California Conservation Corps representative:

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California Association of Local Conservation Corps representative:

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Step 3: Within five (5) business days of receiving the project information, CCC and CALCC representatives will review the submitted information, contact the applicant if necessary, and respond to the applicant with a Corps Consultation Review Document (template attached) informing them:

(1) It is NOT feasible for CCC and/or certified community conservation corps services to be used on the project; or

(2) It is feasible for CCC and/or certified community conservation corps services to be used on the project and identifying the aspects of the project that can be accomplished with Corps services.

Note: While the Corps will take up to 5 days to review projects, applicants are encouraged to contact CCC/CALCC representatives to discuss the Corps' project costs and feasibility **early in the project development process**.

The Corps cannot guarantee a compliant review process for applicants who submit project information fewer than 5 business days before a deadline.

Step 4: Applicant submits application to Funder that includes Corps Consultation Review Document. If the Corps determine their participation is feasible, the applicant must describe the project components involving Corps in the application and provide an estimated budget for that component.

Step 5: Funder reviews applications. Applications that do not include documentation demonstrating that the Corps have been consulted will be deemed "noncompliant" and will not be considered for funding.

NOTES:

1. The Corps already have determined that it is not feasible to use their services on projects that solely involve Planning, Acquisition, or Scientific Studies with no field work. Therefore, applicants seeking funds for such projects are exempt from the consultation requirement and should check the appropriate box on the Consultation Review Document and submit the completed form as part of their application. A completed Consultation Review Document must be submitted as part of the application in all instances.

2. An applicant that has been awarded funds to undertake a project where it has been determined that Corps services can be used must thereafter work with either CCC or CALCC to develop a scope of work and enter into a contract with the appropriate Corps. Unless otherwise excused, failure to utilize a Corps on such a project will result in Funding Entities assessing a scoring penalty on the applicant's future applications for Chapter 6 Funds.

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Corps Consultation Review Document

Unless an exempted project, this Corps Consultation Review Document must be completed by California Conservation Corps and Certified Community Conservation Corps staff and accompany applications for projects or grants seeking funds through Proposition 1, Chapter 6, Protecting Rivers, Lakes, Streams, Coastal Waters and Watersheds. Non-exempt applications that do not include this document demonstrating that the Corps have been consulted will be deemed “noncompliant” and will not be considered for funding.

1. Name of Applicant:

Project Title:

Department/Conservancy to which you are applying for funding:

To be completed by Applicant:

Is this application solely for planning, acquisition, or a scientific study with no field work?

Yes (application is exempt from the requirement to consult with the Corps.
Applicant submits completed form as part of the application)

No (proceed to #2)

To be completed by Corps:

This Consultation Review Document is being prepared by:

California Conservation Corps (CCC)

California Association of Local Conservation Corps (CALCC)

2. Applicant has submitted the required information by email to the California Conservation Corps (CCC) and California Association of Local Conservation Corps (CALCC):

Yes (applicant has submitted all necessary information to CCC and CALCC)

No (applicant has not submitted all information or did not submit information to both Corps – application is deemed non-compliant)

3. After consulting with the project applicant, CCC and CALCC has determined the following:

- It is NOT feasible for CCC and/or certified community conservation corps services to be used on the project (deemed compliant)
- It is feasible for CCC and/or certified community conservation corps services to be used on the project and the following aspects of the project can be accomplished with Corps services (deemed compliant).

CCC AND CALCC REPRESENTATIVES WILL RETURN THIS FORM AS DOCUMENTATION OF CONSULTATION BY EMAIL TO APPLICANT WITHIN FIVE (5) BUSINESS OF RECEIPT AS VERIFICATION OF CONSULTATION. APPLICANT WILL INCLUDE COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT AS PART OF THE PROJECT APPLICATION.

IF THE CORPS DETERMINE IT IS FEASIBLE TO USE THEIR SERVICES ON THE PROJECT, APPLICANT WILL COORDINATE WITH THE CORPS TO DEVELOP ESTIMATED COSTS FOR THOSE SERVICES FOR INCLUSION IN THE BUDGET.

THE CORPS MUST BE CONSULTED EACH GRANT CYCLE PRIOR TO APPLICATION. IF PAST CONSULTATIONS ARE SUBMITTED, THE REQUIREMENT IS NOT MET.