



# Wildlife Conservation Board

## Lower American River Conservancy Program

### 2019 Proposal Solicitation Notice

### WCB Staff Consultation Announcement

The Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) is preparing to release the 2019 Proposal Solicitation Notice (PSN) for the Lower American River Conservancy Program (Program). We are seeking high quality grant proposals that result in enduring benefits to the Lower American River. The Program allows for the following project types:

Land acquisitions and capital improvements that expand, restore, enhance, interpret or protect the Parkway's natural, cultural, historic, recreational, and educational resources, consistent with the American River Parkway Plan.

Up to \$3 million will be available through the PSN, with a maximum of \$500,000 available for planning and design projects. Projects must be completed, and funds expended by March 15, 2024.

Eligible applicants include local public agencies and nonprofit organizations.

Priority will be given to land acquisitions, planning projects and shovel ready capital implementation projects that focus on protection, restoration, and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat and other natural resources and the enhancement of interpretive and educational facilities related to the American River Parkway and its natural, cultural, and historic resources.

We welcome potential applicants to contact the WCB Program manager between **May 6 and May 17, 2019**, to consult with us about your project ideas and developing competitive proposals, and to answer questions about the Program, WCB, and the solicitation and grant process. WCB will not be answering specific questions about the scoring criteria and application at this time.

WCB staff will be available to answer general questions about environmental compliance and WCB Board requirements. Staff will not provide technical information regarding environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act and environmental regulations/permits. Please contact the regional enforcement or regulatory agency for specific environmental compliance and permitting questions.

The PSN will be released Monday, May 20, 2019, and posted on the WCB website and Program web page. All application materials will be provided at that time. Grant applications will be due by July 3, 2019.

Please note that the WCB staff consultation period closes once the PSN is released. However, a Frequently Asked Questions document will be posted on the Program web page that will provide answers to general questions about the Program, WCB, and the solicitation and grant process.

Contact Program manager Cara Allen by phone at (916) 445-1095.