



Wildlife Conservation Board's Public Access Program

2020 Proposal Solicitation Notice Consultation Period

The Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) is preparing to release the 2020 Proposal Solicitation Notice (PSN) for the Public Access Program (Program). WCB is seeking high quality grant proposals that enhance public access to wildlife-oriented recreational activities such as boating, fishing, and hunting. The 2020 PSN supports the following priorities.

Boating Access

The Public Access Program will prioritize projects that enhance boating and fishing access. Projects may include, but are not limited to, boat launching ramps, docks, and associated amenities such as parking lots, restrooms, fish cleaning stations, and access roads.

Hunting and Fishing Opportunities

The Public Access Program will prioritize projects providing public access and use of public lands for wildlife-related recreational activities such as hunting and fishing. Projects may include, but are not limited to accessible hunting blinds, fishing platforms, piers, or observation decks, parking lot improvements, and restrooms.

Wildlife Recreation

The Public Access Program will prioritize projects providing public access for wildlife-related recreational activities. Project should promote wildlife experiences and opportunities. Projects may include, but are not limited to trails to trails, parking lots, restrooms, interpretive and/or way finding signage.

Up to \$5 million will be available through this PSN. Federal, state and local government entities, non-profit organizations, or public districts are eligible to apply. The Program does not provide funding for property acquisition, maintenance activities, or mitigation requirements.

Potential applicants may contact the WCB Program manager to consult about project ideas, developing competitive proposals, and questions about the Program, WCB, and the solicitation and grant process.

The PSN will be released in Spring 2020 and posted on the WCB website and the Program web page. All application materials will be provided at that time. The consultation period closes when the PSN is released.

Contact the Public Access Program at WCBPublicAccess@wildlife.ca.gov for additional information.