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## **Notice of Meeting**

### **WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD**

August 25, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

Natural Resources Building, First Floor Auditorium  
715 P Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

### **Preliminary Agenda Items**

*The public and Board members will participate in the meeting in person or via Zoom. A recording will be posted after the meeting.*

#### **Item Number**

1. Roll Call
2. Public Forum for Items not on the Agenda
3. Funding Status — Informational

**Consent Items**

**4. Recovery of Funds**

**5. Contract Authorization Delegation of Authority**

**6. Modeling Actual Flows and Assessing Stream Flow Alteration \$531,856  
in Ungagged Streams Across California  
Statewide Counties**

To consider the allocation for a grant to The Nature Conservancy for a project to predict unimpaired and actual daily stream flow for all streams, both gaged and ungaged, in California. These predictions for actual flows will then be compared to ecological flow criteria to determine the gap between the existing flows and the additional flows needed to support freshwater ecosystem function for all streams statewide. [Proposition 1, Water Code Section 79733.]

**7. McLaughlin Reserve Fire Safety Improvements \$285,000  
Lake County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the University of California, Davis, for a facilities enhancement project at the McLaughlin Natural Reserve, ten miles east of Lower Lake, in Lake County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80111(c).]

**8. Año Nuevo Reserve Equal Access Road Improvement \$65,000  
San Mateo County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the University of California, Santa Cruz, for a cooperative project with the California Department of Parks and Recreation to complete improvements to the Año Nuevo Equal Access Road, a dirt road that allows access to a wide range of research and teaching activities on the mainland, beaches, and island located on the Año Nuevo Reserve, 11 miles south of Pescadero, in San Mateo County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80111(c).]

**9. Hastings Natural History Reservation Facilities Improvement \$232,500  
Monterey County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the University of California, Berkeley, for a facilities enhancement project at the Hastings Natural History Reservation located within the Carmel Valley, in Monterey County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80111(c).]

**10. Procter Ranch Conservation Easement \$360,000  
San Luis Obispo County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County to acquire a conservation easement over 321± acres of land for the protection of significant oak woodland, wildlife resources, including rangeland productivity and open space to support working landscapes while providing additional social, economic, and environmental benefits, located near San Luis

Obispo in San Luis Obispo County. [Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, Budget Act, Chapter 14 and 249, Statutes of 2017.]

**11. Ventura Watershed Instream Flow Enhancement and Water Resiliency Regional Framework Planning Project, Phase 2 Ventura County \$881,058**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Ventura County Resource Conservation District for a cooperative project with Ojai Valley Land Conservancy, Meiners Oaks Water District, City of Ojai, Senior Canyon Water District, Ventura River Water District, Merito Foundation, Watershed Progressive, and Hicks Law to develop plans for over 200 multiple benefit projects to support enhanced flow throughout the Ventura River watershed, in Ventura County. [Proposition 1, Water Code Section 79733.]

**12. Bonelli Regional Park Fishing Pier Replacement Los Angeles County \$785,000**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the County of Los Angeles for a project to construct a new floating fishing pier at Puddingstone Reservoir, install ADA pathways and restrooms, and multilingual interpretive signage, located on County-owned land in the city of San Dimas in Los Angeles County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80132(a).]

**13. Boyd Desert Research Center Safety and Efficiency Improvements Riverside County \$133,863**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the University of California, Riverside, for a facilities enhancement project at the Boyd Deep Canyon Desert Research Center, five miles south of Palm Desert, in Riverside County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80111(c).]

**14. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Reist Ranch Mendocino County \$0**

To consider the acceptance of a conservation easement over 95± acres by CAL FIRE under the California Forest Legacy Act of 2007, for the purposes of protecting productive timberland from conversion and protecting fish and wildlife habitat, located near Leggett in Mendocino County.

**Presentation Items**

**15. Lake Earl Wildlife Area Coastal Dune and Estuary Restoration, Phase 2 Del Norte County \$1,790,745**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Friends of the Dunes, for a cooperative project with CDFW and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), to remove non-native vegetation, restoring 17.8 acres of coastal dune, coastal prairie, open sandspit,

estuarine and freshwater wetland habitat within the Lake Earl Wildlife Area in Del Norte County. [General Fund, Budget Act of 2022.]

**16. South Fork Lost River Flow Enhancement** **\$1,710,104**  
**Mendocino County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to Sanctuary Forest, Inc. for a project to restore riparian habitat and improve dry season stream flow to support salmonids in the South Fork Lost River located in Mendocino County. [Proposition 1, Water Code Section 79733.]

**17. Ellis Ranch Conservation Easement** **\$1,309,600**  
**Nevada County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to Bear Yuba Land Trust to acquire a conservation easement over 806± acres of land for the protection of water resources, wetlands, blue oak woodlands, lacustrine and grassland habitat, located near the Penn Valley community in Nevada County. [Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, Budget Act, Chapter 14 and 249, Statutes of 2017.]

**18. Truckee River Wildlife Area, Boca Unit Restoration** **\$1,082,000**  
**Nevada County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to Truckee River Watershed Council for a cooperative project with CDFW to restore floodplain and riparian habitat located on the Boca Unit of the Truckee River Wildlife Area, approximately five miles northeast of Truckee in Nevada County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80132(f).]

**19. Western Placer County HCP/NCCP (Redwing Ranch South)** **\$1,131,000**  
**Placer County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Placer Conservation Authority (PCA), and the acceptance of a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Habitat Conservation Plan Land Acquisition grant and approval to subgrant these federal funds to PCA to acquire 560± acres of land for the protection of sensitive biological resources including valley elderberry longhorn beetle, vernal pool fairy shrimp, and vernal pool tadpole shrimp within the Western Placer County Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan area, located near the community of Sheridan in Placer County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80111(b).]

**20. Climate Smart Restoration at River Garden Farms** **\$644,877**  
**Yolo County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to Audubon California, for a cooperative project with USFWS, River Garden Farms, River Partners, and the Center for Land-based Learning to restore and enhance 19 acres of riparian habitat in Yolo County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80132(c).]

- 21. Ackerson Meadow Restoration** **\$2,536,000**  
**Tuolumne County**  
To consider the allocation for a grant to American Rivers for a cooperative project with USFS, National Park Service (NPS), CDFW, CAL FIRE, Yosemite Conservancy, Bonneville Environmental Foundation, and Hetch Hetchy Water & Power to restore low-elevation montane meadow habitat in the Tuolumne River watershed, approximately 12 miles north of El Portal in Tuolumne County. [Proposition 68, Public Resources Code Section 80132(f).]
- 22. Sequoia Grove Restoration** **\$1,443,000**  
**Tulare County**  
To consider the allocation for a grant to Great Basin Institute for a cooperative project with NPS and Sequoia Park Conservancy to enhance forest health and protect giant sequoia groves located in Sequoia Kings Canyon National Parks approximately 50 miles east of Fresno in Tulare County. [Proposition 84, Public Resources Code Section 75055(a).]
- 23. Camino Cielo Bridge Replacement Final Design** **\$1,191,000**  
**Ventura County**  
To consider the allocation for a grant to the Ventura County Watershed Protection District for a cooperative project with the California State Coastal Conservancy to complete final design plans, specifications, and cost estimates for a new bridge across the Ventura River that will be an essential component of the Matilija Dam Ecosystem Restoration Project located near the intersection of Camino Cielo Road and State Highway 33 in Ventura County. [General Fund, Budget Act of 2021.]
- 24. State Route 91 B Canyon Wildlife Crossing, Planning** **\$1,646,000**  
**Riverside County**  
To consider the allocation for a grant to Caltrans for a cooperative project with the Riverside County Transportation Commission to develop final designs for an upgrade to an existing concrete culvert underneath State Route 91 to benefit wildlife migrating between Chino Hills State Park and the Cleveland National Forest near the city of Corona in Riverside County. [General Fund, Budget Act of 2021.]
- 25. Escondido Creek Riparian Restoration** **\$1,687,080**  
**San Diego County**  
To consider the allocation for a grant to Nature Collective for a multi-benefit watershed enhancement and habitat restoration project on approximately 30 acres of riparian woodland and riparian scrub habitat located on public and privately-owned land in San Diego County. [Habitat Conservation Fund, Fish and Game Code Section 2786(e)(f).]

**Adjourn**

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