

Summary of Approved California Duck Stamp Projects for FY 2019-20
(project costs rounded to nearest dollar)

Projects will be completed by May 1, 2022

Canada Habitat Project

Wetland and Upland Conservation – Alberta/Saskatchewan, Canada.....\$142,002

Establish a conservation easement and or restore wetlands associated with key breeding uplands in Alberta for pintail. Specific project parameters are still in development with the landowner. This project will also be matched by North America Wetland Conservation Act dollars.

Capital Outlay Projects – California

Shasta Valley Wildlife Area – Trout Lake..... \$229,000

Originally approved for 2017-18 FY. Enhance 120 wetland and 165 upland acres by building a new lift pump station to supply water to the wildlife area.

Gray Lodge Wildlife Area – Field 75..... \$140,000

Originally approved for 2017-18 FY. Enhance 40 wetland and 23 upland acres by building a new levee, installing water structures, and earthwork

Ongoing Projects - California

Duck Banding (pintail and mallards) – California Waterfowl Association..... \$63,600

This is a cooperative project to maintain sufficient banded samples of pintail and mallards to assess harvest and survival rates, as well as inputs for the Western Mallard Model.

CA VCF Portion of Breeding Population Survey..... \$45,000

This project will continue the survey to estimate visibility correction factors for the California waterfowl breeding population survey.

Tule Greater White-fronted Goose Population Study..... \$7,000

This project will continue ongoing population estimation, habitat use, and distribution by purchasing and marking birds with radio transmitters.

Department of Fish and Wildlife – Internal Expenditures \$100,000

This funding provides the match for the Pittman Robertson Act funding for the Waterfowl Program in the Wildlife Branch.

Department of Fish and Wildlife – Duck Stamp Administration \$2,000

This funding provides for the delivery of physical stamps to purchasers, as required under Fish and Game Code, and other administrative charges related to ALDS.

Department of Fish and Wildlife – Contingency Fund..... \$84,333

This funding provides the ability to cover for emergencies (drought related or otherwise) and or cost overruns on new and existing projects. The Fish and Game Commission approved the expenditure of \$50,000 to contribute to an easement in conjunction with the Intermountain West Joint Venture, located in northeastern California that protects staging habitat for waterfowl from FY 2018-19. However; funds had to be diverted to cover costs of printing and

distributing regulation booklets. The Department intends to contribute to the easement this fiscal year.

New Projects – California

Pintail Harvest Strategy Analysis and Review \$150,000

Contract with experienced waterfowl statistician to review and analyze revised pintail harvest strategy (in development) to ensure regulations allow for hunting opportunity commensurate with population status.

Butte Valley Wildlife Area – Unit 1..... \$121,081

Enhance 81 wetland acres by refurbishing levees, replacing water structures and earthwork.

Upper Butte Basin Wildlife Area – Llano Seco Field 313\$146,187

Enhance 73 wetland and 5 upland acres by refurbishing levees, replacing water structures and earthwork.

Delevan National Wildlife Refuge – Tract 43 \$161,543

Enhance 221 wetland and 29 upland acres by refurbishing levees, replacing water structures and earthwork.

Grizzly Island Wildlife Area – Grizzly Ditch \$192,272

Enhance 900 wetland acres by replacing water structures and pipe.

Mendota Wildlife Area – Pump 7 \$102,527

Enhance 401 wetland acres by upgrading a pump.

Merced Wildlife Area – Water Conveyance \$101,412

Enhance 475 wetland acres by replacing water structures, earthwork, and islands.