



# Boating Access Grant Program

## Frequently Asked Questions

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This is a list of frequently asked questions and their answers. The list will be updated as new questions get submitted.

**Q1. Is there a best person to reach out to with general questions about the application process?**

A1. If you have general questions about the process, please email [BoatingAccess@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:BoatingAccess@wildlife.ca.gov).

**Q2. Will match funding or cost share be required?**

A4. Yes, Grantees may be reimbursed up to 75 percent of project costs through the grant program. At least 25 percent of the project costs must come from a non-Federal source.

**Q3. Are projects focused solely on non-motorized boating eligible?**

A3. Yes, projects that focus on paddle craft and non-motorized boats are eligible to apply.

**Q4. Is there a maximum or minimum dollar amount a proposal can request for funding?**

A4. No, there is no maximum or minimum grant amount that can be requested by an applicant. Provided that a full cost justification is provided, all costs are reasonable, and costs are consistent with the purposes of the grant program.

**Q5. If a proposed implementation project has not yet completed CEQA, can CEQA related costs be reimbursed through an implementation grant or would CEQA and associated costs need to occur before application?**

A5. For implementation projects, the applicant should demonstrate that a state or local agency will have filed a Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research for that agency's approval before CDFW will award a grant to the project, or that the project qualifies for a statutory or categorical exemption. There are instances where CDFW could delay awarding a project

until CEQA is complete. Additionally, you can have a planning project that completes the CEQA for a project.

**Q6. Will this be a recurring funding opportunity?**

A6. Yes, CDFW will receive approximately \$2 million annually for the Boating Access Grant Program.

**Q7. Is there a link to a document that I can review to see what is required in the application?**

A7. Yes. All proposal documents and required attachments are available on [CDFW Boating Access webpage](#). The template form may be filled out offline, then copying and pasting that information into the WebGrants system.