



2024 Environmental Enhancement Fund Request for Proposals, \$5,000,000 available

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Office of Spill Prevention and Response (CDFW-OSPR) is seeking grant applications to help fund projects that enhance, restore, or acquire habitat for wildlife, with available funding totaling \$5,000,000.

These grant funds come from CDFW-OSPR's Environmental Enhancement Fund (EEF), which acquires funds from spill violations in accordance with California's [Lempert-Keene-Seastrand Oil Spill Prevention and Response Act](#). The EEF selection committee includes representatives from the California Coastal Conservancy, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, and CDFW-OSPR. The selection committee is seeking projects with a minimum requested grant award of \$500,000. Projects must be completed by April 1, 2031. Multiple projects may be submitted for funding. Disbursement of money from the grant is contingent on the availability of funds in the EEF.

To qualify, an environmental enhancement project must meet all of the following requirements:

- Be located within or immediately adjacent to waters of the state.
- Have measurable outcomes within a pre-determined timeframe.
- Be designed to acquire, restore, or improve habitat or restore ecosystem function, or both, to benefit fish and wildlife.

Eligible Applicants

Nonprofit organizations, cities, counties, cities and counties, districts, state agencies, and departments; and, to the extent permitted by federal law, to federal agencies. All eligible groups and projects are encouraged to apply.

Submitting an Application

An application package must contain the following:

1. [EEF Grant Application Form \(DFW 1910\)](#)
2. Line-item Budget
3. Qualifications of Applicant (Project Manager(s) Resume/CV, examples of successful project)
4. Optional Attachments (10 pages maximum): Photos, maps, project designs, tables, figures, graphics, literature cited, any other information to help describe the project, as applicable

Submit your grant application package via email to OSPREEF@wildlife.ca.gov or mail it to Environmental Enhancement Fund Coordinator, 1010 Riverside Parkway, West Sacramento, CA 95605.

Grant applications must be received by 5 p.m. on September 11, 2024. Selected projects will be notified in late Fall 2024. For more information, please go to www.wildlife.ca.gov/OSPR/Science/Environmental-Enhancement-Fund/About