FRGP 2025 Projects Approved for Contingency Funding

Funding Program	Proposal ID	Project Type	Title	Description	Applicant	County	Region	Funded Amount
FRGP	1734131	TE	Fellows Creek	Fellows Creek is an educational video game that tackles some root causes of habitat degradation: fragmented decisions, short-term thinking, and tragedy of the commons. Based in behavioral science, players learn how their choices affect salmonids and see the benefits of restoration. This scalable, open-source tool supports watershed stewardship statewide, increasing understanding of how individual and collective actions can negatively and positively impact watershed health and salmonid recovery.	San Mateo Resource Conservation District	Multiple	Multiple	$311,416
FRGP	1734133	HI	Windler Floodplain Habitat Enhancement Phase 2	This project will implement Phase 2 of 100% final engineered designs based on established restoration methods, consistent with the CA Restoration Manual. Objectives include : 1) lower the floodplain, 2) increase connectivity and 3) enhance salmonid rearing habitat at the Windler riverbar, on a reach of the North Fork Salmon River with high intrinsic potential for SONCC coho salmon. Additionally, riparian revegetation will increase shade and diversity along channels and across the riverbar.	Salmon River Restoration Council	Siskiyou	1	$4,942,839
FRGP	1734140	HI	Soda Creek Habitat Enhancement Project (Phase II)	This project will install at least 69 pieces of large wood in 28 locations along a 0.37 mile reach of Soda Creek. This project will improve habitat conditions by stabilizing erosion knickpoints and enhancing pool shelter and large wood density. Large wood will be placed downstream of knickpoints to capture sediment, reducing drop heights into smaller, navigable steps. The result will be increased large wood density, improved juvenile fish passage, and enhanced rearing habitat for salmonids.	Trout Unlimited, Inc.	Mendocino	1	$276,945
FRGP	1734167	HI	Cox Creek Coho Habitat Improvement Project	The goal of this project is to improve the geomorphic function and ecological complexity in Cox Creek for salmonid habitat through a process-based approach. Forty large wood (LW) structures containing 130 pieces of LW will be constructed along 1.0 mile of Cox Creek. The LW added to the stream for project will increase pool area and depth, improve shelter, sort spawning substrate, increase the frequency of side channel and flood plain inundation, and provide high flow velocity refugia.	Eel River Watershed Improvement Group (ERWIG)	Humboldt	1	$419,454
FRGP	1734173	PL	Morro Bay Watershed Steelhead Habitat Assessments and Planning	This project will conduct assessments to inform a restoration action plan to address constraints and restoration opportunities for South-Central California Coast steelhead within the Morro Bay watershed in San Luis Obispo (SLO) County. Assessments will focus on fish passage barriers, steelhead tracking, and creek habitat surveys. These will identify priority areas and potential projects to restore connectivity for steelhead to habitat that promotes anadromy and is likely more climate resilient.	Morro Bay National Estuary Program	San Luis Obispo	4	$443,335

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FRGP	1734209	PD	Topanga Lagoon Restoration Project Final Design and Permitting	Topanga Lagoon is currently a steelhead passage barrier and provides limited refugia. Funding requested for the final 10% needed to complete planning to replace the PCH bridge will restore the lagoon ecosystem habitat for the state and federally endangered southern steelhead trout, and provide long-term population resiliency against climate change, extreme weather events, and SLR. Improving habitat and fish passage connectivity by restoring Topanga Lagoon is critical to steelhead recovery.	Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains	Los Angeles	5	$2,657,145
FRGP	1734247	PD	Ryan and Freshwater Slough Tidal Wetland Reconnection Project	This project is the reconnection of tidally influenced off-channel habitat in the Humboldt Bay Watershed. Site surveys, monitoring and modeling will be used to develop up to three conceptual designs that will include replacing a tide gate on Ryan Slough, removing levees, and improving the reconnected habitat for the benefit of fish and wildlife.	Eel River Watershed Improvement Group (ERWIG)	Humboldt	1	$332,558
FRGP	1734338	HI	Upper Tryon Creek Restoration Project, Phase 1	The project will restore winter rearing habitat for juvenile coho salmon along 0.56 miles of Tryon Creek by re-establishing the natural meandering channel form, creating 3 new off-channel alcoves and restoring existing off-channel habitat, installing 31 large wood structures, removing one and upgrading one stream crossing to restore fish passage, removing invasive plants, and installing native plants and riparian fencing to create an 85-foot-wide riparian area.	Smith River Alliance	Del Norte	1	$1,306,187
FRGP	1734339	HI	Mattole Headwaters Habitat Enhancement Project	Large wood (LW) will be installed in 5 project reaches: 1.A - Mattole mainstem: add 36 pieces of wood at 11 sites, restoring 1,478 ft of stream; 1.B - McKee Cr: add 22 pieces LW at 6 sites, restoring 634 ft; 2 - Mattole: add 55 pieces LW at 14 sites, restoring 3,168 ft; 3 - Mattole: add 31 pieces LW at 9 sites, restoring 1,426 ft; 4 - Mattole: add 52 pieces LW at 11 sites, restoring 1,003 ft; 5/State Parks (non-FRGP funding) - Mattole: add 180 pieces LW at 44 sites, restoring 3,580 ft	Mattole Salmon Group	Humboldt	1	$530,069