



Grants Funded with Cannabis Taxes

20 grants awarded and **\$29.6 million in encumbered funding** through the Cannabis Restoration Grant Program to improve the health of California ecosystems affected by cannabis cultivation.



Regulatory Compliance

344 compliance site visits and **251 compliance desk reviews** to help ensure cannabis cultivators are avoiding and reducing impacts on natural resources.



CDFW Lands

200+ inspections and **15 planned or active projects** involving cannabis tax funds to prevent or address cannabis-related impacts on CDFW-managed lands.



Cannabis Enforcement

569 search warrants led by CDFW officers, with an additional 470 warrants led by other agencies with CDFW's support.

129,096 pounds of processed cannabis, **878,478 cannabis plants** and **159 firearms** seized in enforcement operations where CDFW was the primary agency.



Environmental Impacts

2,150 environmental impacts documented in **27 counties** by CDFW environmental scientists supporting Cannabis Program enforcement and compliance work.

Illegal water diversions, toxic pesticides, poached wildlife and other impacts documented at illicit cultivation sites.



Cleanup of Public Lands

6,600 pounds of trash and **25,000+ feet of poly pipe** removed from illicit cannabis cultivation sites on public lands.

9 illegal dams dismantled on public lands, where water was being diverted for illicit cannabis cultivation.

CDFW has long been a leader in understanding the impacts of cannabis cultivation on the environment and now has one of the largest and most unique cannabis-focused programs in the nation. It covers dozens of distinct business functions related to cultivator permitting, cannabis tax-funded grants, environmental monitoring, land stewardship, site restoration and law enforcement—all to benefit California's fish and wildlife habitats and biodiversity, and all supported by funds California voters approved when they voted to legalize recreational cannabis. Learn more about our work in 2025 in the news release [CDFW Cannabis Program Safeguards California's Natural Resources](#).