

Habitat Conservation Fund Program Grant Awards 2016 - 2017 Fiscal Year

California State Parks has awarded \$1.96 million to 14 local park projects through the Habitat Conservation Fund Program. This State program provides funds to cities, counties, and eligible districts through a competitive application process. The Habitat Conservation Fund Program provides funding for projects to protect threatened species; establish wildlife corridors; create trails; and for nature interpretation programs which bring urban residents into park and wildlife areas. The program requires a dollar-for-dollar match.

Under provisions of State Law, the program is administered by the Director of California State Parks. The California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990 defines the Habitat Conservation Fund, which will continue annually through June 2020.

The projects selected in 2016 include:

Alpine Path Rehabilitation, Big Bear Lake

- Amount: \$250,000
- Project Description: Rehabilitate approximately 1.6 miles of trail including replacement of two boardwalks w/bridges, slope stabilization and interpretative signage in the City of Big Bear Lake.

Big Dalton Canyon Park Improvements, City of Glendora

- Amount: \$30,000
- Project Description: Install interpretive signage and trail amenities along Big Dalton Canyon Trail in the City of Glendora.

Bringing Back the Wildlife, Return of the Natives, City of Salinas

- Amount: \$66,527
- Project Description: Provide programming to youth, young adults and the public about the waterways and connection to the ocean along five creeks within the City of Salinas.

Camden Weir Restoration, Cosumnes C.S.D.

- Amount: \$104,500
- Project Description: Restore the Camden Weir functionality along Laguna Creek in the City of Elk Grove.

Canyon Loop Trail Development, City of Diamond Bar

- Amount: \$267,500
- Project Description: Rehabilitate approximately 1.29 miles of trail by realigning the trail, installing landscape tie steps where necessary, drainage swales, water diverters, signage, and minor amenities along the Canyon Loop Trail in the City of Diamond Bar.

Dry Creek Trail Bridge Replacement, East Bay R.P.D.

- Amount: \$200,000
- Project Description: Remove five bridges, replace four bridges, and install a walkable ford along Dry Creek Trail in the City of Hayward.

Enhancing Environmental Education Opportunities, City of Torrance

- Amount: \$147,473
- Project Description: Provide hands-on science and nature learning opportunities to approximately 4,400 K-12 public school students per year at Madrona Marsh Preserve and Henrietta Basin in the City of Torrance.

Heritage Day, City of Glendora

- Amount: \$25,000
- Project Description: Provide activities for the general public at Earth Day, Heritage Day, and Pumpkin Festival events in the City of Glendora.

Iron Mountain Connection Land Acquisition, County of San Diego, Parks & Recreation

- Amount: \$200,000
- Project Description: Acquire approximately 160 acres near Poway in San Diego County.

Mioffi Brothers La Cuesta Ranch Acquisition, City of San Luis Obispo

- Amount: \$200,000
- Project Description: Acquire approximately 266 acres fee simple and approximately 222 acres permanent conservation easement in the County of San Luis Obispo.

Newell Open Space Preserve Nature Trail, City of American Canyon

- Amount: \$86,350
- Project Description: Develop approximately .6 miles of nature trail and support facilities that include one ADA accessible parking spot, site furnishings and interpretive signage.

Pleasanton Ridge Trail Access, East Bay R.P.D.

- Amount: \$200,000
- Project Description: Construct trail access including park entrance, parking lot, trail connections, ADA restroom, and minor amenities at Pleasanton Ridge in the City of Sunol.

Sabercat Creek Knick Point Restoration, City of Fremont

- Amount: \$98,000
- Project Description: Restoration of the creek bed and riparian habitat along approximately 150 feet of Sabercat Creek in the City of Fremont.

White Point Nature Preserve Wildlife Activities, City of Los Angeles, Recreation & Parks

- Amount: \$85,000
- Project Description: Provide wildlife activity programs to K-6 students and the public for two years at White Point Nature Preserve in the City of San Pedro.

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