



California Department of Parks and Recreation

Office of Grants and Local Services

WHAT'S NEW?

June 2004

- **2002 RESOURCES BOND ACT GRANT PROGRAMS FILING DEADLINES**

The original filing deadlines for the programs below were delayed pending further information regarding release of funds. We are pleased to announce that the programs will now be going forward. The new deadlines are listed below:

- California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Program
November 5, 2004
- State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities Program
November 5, 2004
- Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris Urban Need-Basis Grants
December 10, 2004
- Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris NonUrbanized Need-Basis Grants
December 10, 2004

California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Program

The [California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Program](#) will provide grants to local agencies and community-based organizations for the acquisition or development of public-use recreational facilities. These facilities must be used for youth soccer, baseball, softball or basketball, and must provide new opportunities not currently available

State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities Program

The [State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities Program](#) will provide grants to eligible applicants which include local agencies and community-based organizations with 501(c)(3) status for the acquisition and/or development of properties for active recreational purposes for youth. An active recreational purpose is an activity that requires athletic fields, courts, gymnasiums, or other recreational facilities/venues for youth soccer, baseball, football, basketball, tennis, or swimming, or any recreation activity which involves physical exertion and occurs within a facility/venue that was especially designed for this pursuit. Funding is to be roughly divided 60% to the southern portion of the state (south of the Tehachapi Mountains) and 40% to the northern portion. The Applicant must provide a match equal to 1/4 of the total project cost.

Technical Assistance Workshops

Technical assistance workshops for the California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Program and State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities Program are to be announced.

- **ANNUAL GRANT PROGRAMS FILING DEADLINES**

The deadlines below are for programs available on an annual basis.

- Habitat Conservation Fund – October 1, 2004
- Recreational Trails Program – October 1, 2004
- Land and Water Conservation Fund – May 2, 2005

Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

The RTP is an annual, federal program which makes funds available for the acquisition and development of recreational trails and trail-related facilities. Nonmotorized trail projects are administered by the Office of Grants and Local Services (OGALS). Motorized trail projects are administered by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division (OHV), which can be reached at (916) 324-4442. Cities, counties, districts, state agencies and nonprofit organizations with management responsibilities over public lands are eligible to apply.

Over the last few years, it has taken one year or more to obtain federal approval for nonmotorized projects. In addition, federal reappropriation postponements have also delayed the announcement of selected projects. This has caused delays in the State of California receiving its allocation.

To help with this issue, OGALS will accept additional applications covering two years (beginning Fall of 2004). This will allow more applications to be approved, and funding released, once the projects are ready (i.e. have met the Federal requirements). The future grant cycles will only cover one year. Project funding is subject to the availability of federal funds.

After projects selection, applicants are required to complete the following prior to funding: (1) completion of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document, (2) completion of National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 process and documentation, and (3) listing of the project on either the State Transportation Improvement Plan or a local Transportation Improvement Plan, as applicable. Once these post-application requirements are met and federal approval has been obtained, project work may commence.

To date federal funds have always been available when applications are complete. We do not expect this to change, however, at this time, Congress has only granted short-term extensions of the program while it is working on a six-year reauthorization of federal transportation programs.

For more information about the [RTP program](#), please contact your Project Officer.

- **ELIGIBLE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) COSTS**

Costs related to compliance with CEQA are eligible costs for all Proposition 12 and Proposition 40 local assistance grant programs administered by the Office of Grants and Local Services. These costs must be directly related to the project being constructed and are subject to the 25% limit on non-construction costs. Please contact your project officer if you have any questions.

**SCHEDULE OF SIGNIFICANT DATES FOR
2002 RESOURCES BOND ACT GRANT PROGRAMS**

Revised 5/10/04

| Program Name | Final Application Filing Date |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| RZH Block | Ongoing* |
| RZH Urbanized Area | December 10, 2004 |
| RZH Nonurbanized Area | December 10, 2004 |
| Per Capita | Ongoing* |
| California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development | November 5, 2004 |
| State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities | November 5, 2004 |

** Must be encumbered by June 30, 2006*

ANNUAL GRANT PROGRAMS

| Program Name | Available Funds | Filing Deadline |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Habitat Conservation Fund | \$2 million | October 1, 2004 |
| Recreational Trails Program | \$2.2 million** | October 1, 2004 |
| Land and Water Conservation Fund | To be determined | May 2, 2005 |

**Subject to Federal Reappropriation