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## California Park Projects Receive \$1.1M in Federal Grants to Expand Outdoor Play Opportunities in Urban Communities

*SACRAMENTO, Calif.* — Last month, the U.S. Department of Interior and the National Park Service announced the selection of two Bay Area park projects to receive \$1.1 million in funding from the Outdoor Leadership Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP). Funding will help Bay View Park in the City and County of San Francisco and Bay Point Regional Shoreline in Bay View to plan, build, and enhance parks and other outdoor recreation facilities in underserved communities.

A total of 22 cities in 17 states were provided \$13.3 million in funding through the ORLP competitive grant program. The program is funded through the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). For more than 50 years, the LWCF has invested revenue from federal offshore oil and gas royalties into more than 40,000 outdoor recreation facilities and conservation projects in every state.

As the state administrator for LWCF and ORLP, California State Parks' Office of Grants and Local Services will administer the following grants for California:

**City and County of San Francisco** **\$375,225**

***Bay View Park Playground Improvement Project***

Grant funding will be used to construct a new physical fitness path, exercise equipment, play structures, gathering/picnic and BBQ area, and improve existing pedestrian access points.

**East Bay Regional Park District** **\$750,000**

***Bay Point Wetland Restoration and Public Access Point***

Approximately six acres of wetlands will be acquired with the grant funding to improve public access, and construct new boardwalk for fishing access, kayak launch, trail enhancements and overlook points with interpretive signage, and drinking faucets. The project also includes restoration of 31 acres of wetlands with the Bay Point Wetlands Area.



The nationwide list of selected projects can be found on the U.S. Department of Interior's website:

<https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-announces-133-million-improvements-local-parks-and-recreation-22-cities>.

Information on the ORLP can also be found on the Office of Grants and Local Services website at [https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=21360](https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=21360).

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