

Power Session Notes

1. **What type(s) of project are you currently seeking grant funding for?**

- Ecological restoration – 6
- Fish passage – 4
- Flooding/floodplains – 2
- Bank Erosion/channel stabilization – 4
- Climate change adaptation – 4
- Stewardship/education/community outreach – 4
- Recreation/public access/land acquisition – 4
- Green Infrastructure/LID – 3
- Other:
 - TMDL Implementation Projects,
 - Urban refuge partnerships,
 - weed control,
 - litter clean-up,
 - stormwater capture systems or trash capture,
 - water quality

Project locations:

- Don Edwards SF Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Alviso/Fremont/Newark
- Santa Clara County
- Arroyo de la Laguna
- Stonybrook
- Public/Private rangelands
- Alameda Creek Watershed
- Alameda County flood control channel (Fremont)
- City of Fremont
- Sabercat Creek
- City-wide green infrastructure
- Any SF Bay watershed
- Iron Horse Trail in Dublin
- Green infrastructure throughout the City of Dublin

2. **Which grant program(s) support this category of projects?**

- All Prop 1 Funds
- Non-Prop 1 funds
- 319(h)
- SFBWQIF (EPA)
- CDFW
- Pesticide Grant Program
- DWR
- NRA

- OPC
 - Wildlife Conservation Board
 - Coastal Conservancy Prop 1 (R3) – for Sabercat Historical Park to address knickpoints, streambank problems
3. **What elements of your project do you think will make your project competitive for a grant?**
- Incremental but substantial improvements on mercury water quality in reservoirs
 - Being able to tell a story; doing something novel
 - Meet requirements of Chapter 6 of Prop 1
 - Multiple partners
 - Multiple benefits
 - Erosion control measures
 - Trails
 - Regional significance – applicable to adjacent lands or greater Alameda County
 - Substantial matching funds
 - Critical for steelhead restoration in Alameda County
 - Proposal includes lots of ‘buzz words’
 - CEQA already completed
4. **Agencies you might collaborate with on a proposal (whether they know it yet or not!):**
- Urban Refuge Partnership letters of support for all organizations
 - SFPUC
 - Zone 7 Water Agency
 - Alameda County Water District
 - East Bay Regional Park District, Alameda County Public Works, and Alameda County Flood Control
 - City of Fremont
 - Point Blue Conservation Science
 - Alameda County Library Foundation
 - SFEI
 - Friends of the Estuary
 - CalTrans
 - ACRC
 - CEMAR
 - SF Bay Wildlife Society
 - Any City in SF Bay
 - NGOs
 - City of Pleasanton
 - City of Livermore
 - Dublin-San Ramon Services District
5. **Do you have OR need matching funds source(s) for project (in-kind/cash):**
- Have:**
- SCC Grant; NRCS Farm Bill

- Yes!
- Depends on the project being considered; typically we don't, but can produce funds

Need:

- Implementation funds; In Kind Staff match; Google
- Like [kind]
- Developing additional partnerships to find matching funds "In Kind" or other

6. Challenges, next steps, needs:

- Finding willing landowners
- Securing matching funding
- Finding time to pull together proposals and be prepared based on deadlines
- Design
- Grant support
- CEQA permitting
- Army Corp. 408 Permit
- Worthy projects with shared vision of process and outcomes
- 501c3 status
- fundraising

7. Could your proposal include support for the acwForum as an outreach/information sharing opportunity?

- Yes – Cal Emergency Technology or coordination communication apps. Such as Google with SCVWD – app development will give signal for flood warning; Naturalist; Cal EnergyTech to report landslides or other geotech issues; Citizen Science Volunteers
- Yes! For outreach
- Yes
- Potentially need more explanation on what this means and how it would fit it, but YES
- Definitely!

8. Relevant grants your agency has been awarded in past few years:

- SFBWQIF – Healthy Watersheds, Green Infrastructure
- SCC Climate Ready – Ponds, Rangeland health
- IRWMP (Rds 1-3) – Green Infrastructure, water conservation, flood control 2.0, shoreline assessment
- Passage and water quality monitoring related projects

9. Could creek/watershed signs be a component of your project – where, how?

- Yes – but would need to be researched further
- Yes!
- Yes – on creek and flood control channel in Fremont
- Definitely!

10. Other information

- Would like to investigate opportunities for County-wide or regional applications (e.g. SFEP)
- Research Project – TriValley streambank restoration including bridges and stream improvements