

JULY 2025

BI-MONTHLY GRANTS UPDATE



GRANTS AWARDED IN FISCAL YEAR 2025

\$92,039,496 in New Grant Funding Secured in Fiscal Year 2025

- **Upper Llagas Flood Protection Project, Phase 2B:** Obtained grant award for \$80 million from the Natural Resources Conservation Service.
- **Shoreline Project Phase 1 (Reaches 1-3):** Obtained grant award for \$4,611,196 from the Wildlife Conservation Board. Funding is added to an existing agreement through amendment with the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC).
- **Shoreline Project Phase 1 (Reaches 4 & 5):** Obtained grant award for \$7,428,300 from the SCC.



Southern view of the Sunnyvale West Channel towards Caribbean Drive

PENDING VALLEY WATER GRANT APPLICATIONS

- **Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant for the Coyote Creek Flood Protection Project:** In September 2024, Valley Water submitted a \$50 million FMA application to the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) and FEMA. However, all federal grant programs are currently on hold due to pending reviews.
- **FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) for Sunnyvale East Channel Flood Protection Project:** In December 2024, Valley Water received approval from CalOES and FEMA to amend its application and increase the grant amount to \$24.2 million (\$664,000 increase) to cover additional eligible costs. However, all federal grant programs are currently on hold due to pending reviews.
- **Department of Water Resources (DWR) Dam Safety Grant Program for Anderson Valley Dam Project:** In October 2024, a \$24 million application was submitted to DWR. This application is pending.
- **WaterNow Alliance for the Water Savings Study of Valley Water's Conservation Programs:** \$0 and technical assistance only. This application is pending.

FEDERAL UPDATES

- Staff is working diligently with stakeholders to stay current with the changing federal funding landscape.
- The U.S. Department of the Interior has opened six grant applications, one of which may be a possible match for Valley Water Projects.
- The Federal Government still has grant applications largely paused on their end, with the exception of the Department of Interior grants noted above. These grants will be open for application once they have been reviewed for Executive Order compliance and alignment with government efficiency goals.

STATE GRANT UPDATES

- **Senate Bill 1 (SB1, 2021) Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant:** The Ocean Protection Council (OPC) has funding for sea level rise planning. Valley Water is partnering with the County of Santa Clara, six local cities, and the Valley Transit Authority to develop a Sub-regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan. The team is targeting a summer application submission to OPC.
- **Proposition 4 Update:** The SCC has been designated to administer \$948.5 million of the \$10 billion in Proposition 4 funding. Staff have scheduled time with SCC to discuss a project which could be a good match for this funding.



Valley Water biologists assessing the health of our creeks

OTHER NEWS

Valley Water staff continue to actively seek new funding opportunities to support our projects. In addition to traditional funding sources, we are working to diversify and strengthen our financial resources. We are also pursuing philanthropic and regional grants. We are excited about the chance to leverage these innovative funding streams to further advance our mission.