

Applicant Responses to Reduced Funding Levels B7 & D3

B7 Support Cleanup Efforts & Education - Projects Recommended for Funding

Entity	Project Name	Board Electoral District	Project Summary	50% of Requested Funding	25% of Requested Funding	Requested Funding	Initial Recommendation	Revised Recommendation
Guadalupe River Park Conservancy	Guadalupe Watershed Education Campaign	2	Project will enhance awareness of the biodiversity nurtured by Guadalupe River through programs for K-12 students, the annual Water Festival for 5thgrade students, activation of a 180-gallon aquarium, and the creation of a mural underneath the Coleman Ave. bridge.	We would eliminate the aquarium project, reduce from 40 to 20 K-12 watershed education programs (with commensurate adjustment to staffing costs), and absorb some additional costs of the mural project. The deliverables and timeline would run the same for all but the mural project, which could be delayed a bit as we raise the additional matching funds.	We will eliminate the mural and aquarium projects and only do the K-12 watershed education programs (reducing to 10 from 40, with commensurate adjustment to staffing costs), Water Festival, and the high school service learning days. The schedule would likely remain the same, though we could accelerate delivery of the K-12 programs if desired.	\$40,585	\$28,409.50	No change
Breathe California of the Bay Area	Youth for a Cool Earth (Y4CE)	2, 3 & 6	Youth for a Cool Earth (Y4CE) empowers youth to become environmental leaders and advocates to their peers, school, family, and community to do the same. The unique feature of the Y4CE program is that it is youth-determined and youth-directed. Will target marginalized/low-income youth.	The number of youth trained would be reduced to 40, from 4-5 schools, youth organizations, etc., who would in-turn reach 100 peers and up to 2,500 community members. We would host 1-2 clean-up days. We would advocate for policy changes with the goal of getting one adopted by a school, district, or organization.	The number of youth trained would be reduced to 25, from 2-3 schools, youth organizations, etc., who would in-turn reach 50 peers and up to 1,000 community members. We would host one clean-up day. We would advocate for policy changes but might not have the manpower to see this effort all the way through to adoption by a school, district, or organization.	\$50,000	\$35,000.00	No change
Save the Bay	Zero Trash Campaign	Countywide	Project will evaluate annual trash reduction reports, educate and inform residents on the results of those reports, and provide particular feedback to two priority cities. We will implement effective outreach and communications strategy to increase and shape priority Santa Clara County communities' understanding of storm water pollution threats and opportunities. We also will engage 4,000 adults, teens, and children in wetland habitat restoration and/or trash cleanup projects.	We proportionately scale back our outreach, student and adult watershed stewardship programing, and our stormwater mitigation support. 2 years, 03/01/2018-2/28/2020	We [would] conduct the same activities as in the 50% funding scenario, but the program schedule will reduced to one year. As a result, our stormwater program will focus more on participating in stakeholder meetings throughout the Santa Clara Valley Stormwater Resource Plan process, and on public education work. 1 year, 03/01/2018-2/28/2019	\$50,000	\$15,000.00	No change
Gilroy Compassion Center	South County Creeks Team	1	Gilroy Compassion Center will partner with Downtown Streets Team, local jurisdictions, and other organizations to provide year-round outreach to homeless individuals living at target hot spots along South County Creeks. The outreach teams will provide information, encouragement, and incentives for homeless individuals to keep toxic materials, garbage, and waste out of the waterways.	If full funding is not granted we will reduce the number of work days proportionally, either to 50% or 25%. We can work with the Water District on a priority list to make sure we are concentrating resources where they are needed most.		\$50,000	\$15,000.00	No change
City of Campbell	Los Gatos Creek Trail Interpretive Signage and Receptacle Expansion	4 & 7	Project proposes to install ten environmental outreach stations along the Los Gatos Creek Trail, which parallels Los Gatos Creek and related percolation ponds. The stations, spaced along approximately 5.7 miles of the trail, would include educational interpretive signs with environmental stewardship messages related to trash and general health of riparian corridors.	We would like to move forward with the reduced funding amount for the project. We believe that we can still have viable project. Please let me know if you would like to discuss in further detail.		\$48,188	\$33,731.28	No change

South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition	Friends of Coyote Creek Watershed North Coyote Creek Stewardship Project	2 & 3	Project continues to be pointing Volunteers at Stream Cleanups addressing the ongoing trash loads in our Riparian Corridor and Creek created Homeless encampments and storm run-off. Our Program conducts monthly cleanups with the goal of restoring stretches to trash free levels.	(4) Recruitment events vs. proposed in original grant (8) (6) Cleanups vs. (12) (3) Presentation to Community Organizations vs. (5) (4) Social Media updates vs. (8) (2) Creation of collateral materials vs. (4) (4) Prep of payment requests & Final Project Summary	(2) Recruitment events vs. Proposed in original grant (8) (3) Cleanups vs. (12) (1) Presentation to Community Organizations vs. (5) (2) Social Media updates vs. (8) (1) Creation of collateral materials vs. (4) (4) Prep of payment requests & Final Project Summary	\$50,000	\$35,000.00	No change
Girl Scouts of Northern CA	Girl Scouts Go Green in SC County	1 & 6	Project will provide all the elements of a successful meaningful watershed educational experience for students attending Title 1 schools and living in under-resourced neighborhoods in Santa Clara County using the Don't Waste that Watershed series curriculum	Instead of 10 series for 12 weeks each, serving 175 girls, most likely we would be able to provide 5 series for 12 weeks each, serving 75 girls. These series would still be spread out over the school year, depending on our site partners' needs, so the schedule would not necessarily change. Instead of serving two school districts, our scope would possibly shrink to one school district. The outcomes measuring environmental stewardship, watershed knowledge, and leadership would not change.	GSNorCal would only be able to provide 2 series for 12 weeks each at one school district, serving approximately 25-30 girls. The outcomes measuring environmental stewardship, watershed knowledge, and leadership would not change.	\$24,216	\$16,951.20	No change
Grassroots Ecology	Stevens Creek Monitoring & Education Project	5 & 7	Project will engage the local community in stewardship and hands-on learning. Project will provide creek-based volunteer and educational opportunities for all ages. Over the proposed three-year grant period, the project will engage 750 or more individuals and approximately 15 organizations including schools, colleges, nonprofits, and community groups.	We would reduce the project period from 3 years to 2 years and cut aquatic insect monitoring from the scope (task 2).	We would reduce the project period from 3 years to 1 year and cut task 2.	\$49,228	\$34,459.60	No change
South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition	Los Gatos Creek TEAM 222	4 & 7	Project continues to be pointing Volunteers at Stream Cleanups addressing the on-going trash loads in our Riparian Corridors and Creek created by Homeless encampments and storm run-off. Our TEAM 222 Program conducts multiple events every other month on the second Saturday along stretches of Los Gatos Creek.	(4) Recruitment of volunteers vs. Proposed in original grant (8) (5) Cleanups vs. (9) (3) Presentations to Community Orgs vs. (5) (4) Provide Social Media updates vs. (8) (2) Creation of collateral materials v. (4) (4) Prep of payment requests & final Project Summary One addt. change, cleanups will be limited to stretches along Campbell CA vs. entire waterway. Segmenting waterway will enable us to secure addt funds via an alternative funding source.	(2) Recruitment of volunteers vs. Proposed in original grant (8) (2) Cleanups vs. (9) (1) Presentations to Community Orgs vs. (5) (2) Provide Social Media updates vs. (8) (1) Creation of collateral materials v. (4) (4) Prep of payment requests & final Project Summary One addt. change, cleanups will be limited to stretches along Campbell CA vs. entire waterway. Segmenting waterway will enable us to secure addt funds via an alternative funding source.	\$50,000	\$15,000.00	No change
West Valley - Mission Community College District	West Valley Interpretive Signage	5	Design and installation of an accessible, interactive, interpretive signage system throughout the WVC campus and Vasona Creek Trail.	B7- West Valley Interpretive Signage Project, we requested a grant in the maximum amount of \$50,000. This is per the application instructions and as noted in the workshop. We thought this reasonable considering our estimated "matching funds" will be over \$70,000 or about 60% rather than the required 25%. Over twice as much!		\$50,000	Not recommended	No change
SJSU Research Foundation	RecycleStuff.org Website Enhancements to Reduce Illegal Dumping	Countywide	Requesting funds to support RecycleStuff.org, which is the official recycling/reuse and household hazardous waste (HHW) website for the 15 cities of Santa Clara County. CDR also has information on landfills, debris boxes, and hauling services. These resources provide a safe and legal pathway for discarded materials.	Our initial approach to reduced funding would be to prioritize maximum benefits and then reduce the 9 components listed above by 25 or 50%. In other words, we would act on 2-4 of the 9 listed components as recommended by the CDR webmaster. To make up for the potential loss of SCVWD funding, CDR has requested a one-time budget augment from the TAC. To keep costs low, even at full funding, CDR proposed that no funds be allocated to the CDR staff. Funds will be directed to the CDR webmaster (not an employee, but an outside contractor) to act on the SEO optimization recommendations of Ms. Coven. CDR's original request is less than 50% of the funding maximum established by the SCVWD.		\$9,950	Not recommended	No change

Milpitas Public Works	Contaminant Overflow and Backflow Prevention Project	3	The funds from the B7 grant will all the City to install additional SmartCovers to equip the City with high-tech devices that will alarm City Employees of any possible contaminants in waterways.	Scope: would not change as the SOW are as desired for the success of this project Deliverables: number of SmartCover units will change to half the amount on the application = from 13 units to 6 units Schedule: will not change as the SNAP reports are already on track and in progress	Scope: would not change as the SOW are as desired for the success of this project Deliverables: number of units will change to a quarter of the amount on the application = from 13 units to 3 units Schedule: will not change as the SNAP reports are already on track and in progress	\$47,300	Not recommended	No change
TOTAL						\$519,467	\$228,552	\$228,552

D3 Provide Access to Trails and Open Space- Projects Recommended for Funding

Entity	Project Name	Board Electoral District	Project Summary	50% of Requested Funding	25% of Requested Funding	Requested Funding	Initial Recommendation	Revised Recommendation
City of Morgan Hill	West Little Llagas Creek Interpretive Wildlife Trail Project	7	The project proposes to construct a two-mile trail that will extend from Watsonville Road south and around the southeastern end of Lake Silveira near Monterey Road and California Avenue. It will also connect to the existing trail system that runs north, thus creating a continuous, uninterrupted pedestrian and bicycle pathway from the Lake Silveira Park area to Morgan Hill's downtown core. Trail users will have access to a unique interpretive experience of local wildlife and wetlands.	<p>The City has a long list of desired trail improvements in the Trails Master Plan and limited funds to construct them. We applied for a grant from the District in order to increase the total pool of funds available to construct all of these trail projects.</p> <p>If our grant application is not successful, or if the project is funded at a reduced amount, the City will need to re-evaluate its priority trail projects and determine whether or not this project, without the grant, should still be constructed.</p>		\$200,000	\$ 200,000	No Change
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District	Webb Creek Bridge	7	Project proposes to construct a new bridge over Webb Creek in Bear Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve as part of a multi-phased plan to open the preserve for public access. The bridge will open approximately four miles of trails and facilitate a future regional multi-use trail connection between the Lexington Basin and Skyline, as well as ensure emergency service access is possible throughout the preserve.	If funding from SCVWD is recommended at 50% or at 25%, the remaining balance for the bridge construction would come from the District's Measure AA funding. The scope, schedule, and deliverables will remain the same. As a result, any amount of funding from SCVWD will alleviate budgetary pressures by allowing Measure AA funds to be directed towards the full scope of work planned for Bear Creek Redwoods, including future parking lot development and trail construction.		\$149,500	\$149,500	No Change
West Valley College	West Valley College Vasona Creek Trail Phase 2	5	The project proposes to complete the design and construction of Phase 2 of the Vasona Creek Trail providing access to over 20 acres of recently restored riparian corridor on the West Valley College campus.	D3 - Vasona Creek Trail Phase 2, we requested \$250,000. - Of an available \$571,000. We realize that this is a considerable percentage of the available funds, however, once again – our “matching funds” are a whopping \$405,214 or almost 62%!		\$250,000	\$221,500	No Change
San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory	Enhancing Wildlife Viewing Opportunities Along the Mallard Slough Trail in Alviso	3	This project aims to enhance wildlife viewing opportunities along Alviso trails by establishing a healthy nesting population of at-risk Forster's terns, and other breeding waterbirds, in Alviso Pond A16.	<p>With 50% of the original proposal funding request, the project could still proceed with the following changes to the project scope, schedule, and deliverables:</p> <p>1) Removes final summary assessment (Task 4). Task 4 includes staff time associated with data entry, proofing, analysis, and producing a summary report.</p> <p>2) Removes outreach to stakeholders and the general public (Task 5). Task 5 includes staff time associated with drafting and posting press releases to the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project website or newsletter, presenting results at stakeholder meetings, and maintenance of a project website. While some outreach would still occur (e.g.</p>	It would not be possible to complete the project with this level of funding.	\$139,312	Not recommended for funding	No Change

				<p>participating in meetings with stakeholders), more formal outreach activities (e.g., presentations, drafting of press releases) described in the original proposal would not be completed.</p> <p>3) Removes some of the weekly checks associated with maintaining decoys and call systems. This could result in delays of repairs should any temporary equipment failures occur. Any prolonged equipment failures would reduce attraction of birds to the nesting sites potentially reducing the success of the project.</p> <p>4) The original project schedule was for 14 months, from March 2018 through April 2019. With no Annual/Final assessment (Task 4) and reduced outreach (Task 5), the project schedule would instead be for 7 months ending in October 2018, after monitoring had concluded and decoys and call systems had been removed.</p>					
Total							\$738,812	\$571,000	\$571,000

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