



**Community Enhancement Grant Programs Update
Staff Report**

PROGRAM UPDATE

The term “Community Enhancement Program” refers to a collection of projects that support and enhance communities and economies in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and Suisun Marsh. Projects in this program are funded through the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) and the Climate, Access, and Restoration (CAR) Program funds. The Proposition 68 Grant Program is designed to promote a robust Delta economy, support the vitality of Delta communities, and allow staff to provide guidance to project proponents as they develop proposals to meet these goals. Of the \$12 million allocated to the Conservancy, a minimum of \$8.7 million is available for grants. The CAR Grant Program is a General Fund allocation and is designed to promote multi-benefit projects within the areas of climate resiliency, public access, and natural resources restoration. Of the \$5.25 million allocated to the Conservancy, a minimum of \$4,987,500 is available for projects.

As of May 11, 2022, there are five active projects, three awarded projects, three working proposals, and five inactive proposals. The total amount of funding for active projects, awarded projects, and working proposals is \$8,613,419.

In the following tables, the DAC/SDAC designations indicates whether the project serves a disadvantaged community (DAC) or a severely disadvantaged community (SDAC), as confirmed by the Delta Conservancy SDAC policy. Proposition 68 requires that 20 percent of the allocation go to projects that support SDAC communities; twenty percent of the Delta Conservancy’s allocation is \$2,400,000. Of the \$3,609,396 for active, awarded, or requested Proposition 68 projects, \$3,271,553 (91 percent) are expected to support SDAC communities.

ACTIVE PROJECTS (TOTAL AMOUNT OBLIGATED: \$2,861,213)

| Project Name | Land Acquisition for the Clarksburg Schoolhouse & Delta Welcome Center (Acquisition) |
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| Amount Awarded | \$310,373 |
| County | Yolo |
| Project ID | P6802 |
| Grantee | Friends of the 1883 Clarksburg Schoolhouse |
| Overview | Acquire 1.13-acre parcel to serve as the permanent home of the restored 1883 Clarksburg Schoolhouse |
| DAC/SDAC | SDAC |
| Grant Agreement Status | Active as of 05/02/2022 |
| New Information | Grantee is working with seller to complete land acquisition. |

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| Project Name | Southport Levee Recreational Trail (Planning) |
| Amount Awarded | \$337,863 |
| County | Yolo |
| Project ID | P6803 |
| Grantee | City of West Sacramento |
| Overview | Create planning documents for preparation of paving of 5.6 miles of levee top for recreational use |
| DAC/SDAC | Neither |
| Grant Agreement Status | Active as of 12/20/2021 |
| New Information | The consultant team developed a draft Opportunities and Constraints map for an April stakeholder meeting; over 20 people participated, providing feedback that is being incorporated into three concept plans for the Project. |

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| Project Name | Pittsburg Boat Launch Facility & Central Harbor Park Upgrade (Planning) |
| Amount Awarded | \$172,155 |
| County | Contra Costa |
| Project ID | P6804 |
| Grantee | City of Pittsburg |
| Overview | Create planning documents for preparation of recreational and safety enhancements to the Boat Launch Facility & Central Harbor Park |
| DAC/SDAC | SDAC |
| Grant Agreement Status | Active as of 10/01/2021 |
| New Information | The grantee developed two design alternatives for the Project, and held a community event in April. Over 40 residents participated and results were shared with the City's Waterfront and Economic Development Subcommittee, and direction was given to R.E.Y. Engineers to complete the 35 percent design plans. |

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| Project Name | Asian American Heritage Park Development (Implementation) |
| Amount Awarded | \$554,772 |
| County | Sacramento |
| Project ID | P6811 |
| Grantee | Delta Educational Cultural Society |
| Overview | Create a .07-acre park that will include culturally relevant objects and interpretive exhibits on the history and heritage of the Chinese and Japanese immigrants who once occupied the Asian American Historic District of Isleton |
| DAC/SDAC | SDAC |
| Grant Agreement Status | Active as of 03/11/2022 |
| New Information | The grantee is working on setting up their office in the newly-restored Quong Wo Sing building. They are working with a web designer to showcase the Project and are also working on a contract for the landscaping contractor. |

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| Project Name | Pacific Flyway Center: Walk in the Marsh (Implementation) |
| Amount Awarded | \$1,486,050 |
| County | Solano |
| Project ID | CAR01 |
| Grantee | Pacific Flyway Fund |
| Overview | Build three miles of ADA-compliant hiking trails, boardwalks, and educational signage throughout restored wetlands in Suisun March |
| Grant Agreement Status | Active as of 03/22/2022 |
| New Information | The grantee's engineering firms have reconciled all requests and comments from the Army Corp of Engineers and permitting is on track. Pacific Gas and Electric completed their engineering plans to provide three-phase power to the site. |

APPROVED PROJECTS (TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED: \$2,010,956)

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| Project Name | Isleton Museum in the Bing Kong Tong Building (Implementation) |
| Amount Awarded | \$44,500 |
| County | Sacramento |
| Project ID | P6805 |
| Grantee | Isleton Museum |
| Overview | Purchase museum-quality display cases to house historical artifacts within the Isleton Museum, located in the newly-renovated Bing Kong Tong Building. |
| DAC/SDAC | SDAC |
| Grant Agreement Status | Pending |
| New Information | Signed grant agreement expected in July |

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| Project Name | Discover the Delta Education Center (Planning) |
| Amount Awarded | \$223,456 |
| County | Sacramento |
| Project ID | P6806 |
| Grantee | Discover the Delta Foundation |
| Overview | Update 2009 building plans to meet current building codes and obtain updated approvals and permits to implement construction of the Delta Education Center. |
| DAC/SDAC | SDAC |
| Grant Agreement Status | Pending |
| New Information | Signed grant agreement expected in July |

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| Project Name | Clarksburg Schoolhouse Restoration and Delta Welcome Center (Implementation) |
| Amount Awarded | \$1,743,000 |
| County | Yolo |
| Project ID | P6813 |
| Grantee | Friends of the 1883 Clarksburg Schoolhouse |
| Overview | Restore the 1883 Clarksburg Schoolhouse (fully-restored building, interior and exterior displays, and landscaping) and develop a Delta Welcome Center. |
| DAC/SDAC | SDAC |
| Grant Agreement Status | Pending |
| New Information | Signed grant agreement expected in July |

WORKING PROPOSALS (TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$3,741,250)

| Project ID | Project Name | Applicant | Project Type | Amount Requested | County | DAC/SDAC | Proposal Status |
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| P6808 | Freeport Delta Gateway Monuments | Sacramento County | Planning | \$223,277 | Sacramento | SDAC | Before the board |
| CAR02 | Bees Lakes Public Access | City of West Sacramento | Implementation | \$2,422,484 | Yolo | Neither | Under review |
| CAR03 | Conversion of Non-Farmable Land to Reduce Green House Gas Emissions | Metropolitan Water District | Implementation | \$1,095,489 | San Joaquin | DAC | Developing full proposal |

INACTIVE PROPOSALS (TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$4,098,911)

| Project ID | Project Name | Applicant | Project Type | Amount Requested | County | DAC / SDAC | Status |
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| P6807 | Clarksburg Branch Line Trail | City of West Sacramento | Planning | \$250,000 | Yolo | Neither | On hold per applicant request |
| P6812 | Stockton Waterways | Port of Stockton | Planning | \$900,000 | San Joaquin | SDAC | Project being reconsidered by applicant |
| P6815 | Big Break Regional Shoreline Restoration and Public Access Project | East Bay Regional Park District | Planning | \$390,000 | Contra Costa | SDAC | Under Prop. 1 review |

BACKGROUND

Proposition 68 is the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 (Public Resources Code (PRC), Division 45) that was passed by California voters on June 5, 2018. Proposition 68 makes \$12,000,000 available to the Conservancy to use for the purposes specified in its governing statute (Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy Act, Public Resources Codes, Division 22.3). The Conservancy is using the Proposition 68 allocation to fund projects in the Conservancy's Community and Economic Enhancement Grant Program that support community and economic development in the Delta in a manner that is complementary to ecosystem restoration and other Conservancy programs. The grant program began accepting concept proposals on January 6, 2020.

Chaptered on September 23, 2021, the Budget Act of 2021 (Senate Bill 170, Item 3875-101-0001 of Section 2.00) provided the Conservancy with \$5,250,000 for projects that support climate resiliency, community access, and natural resource restoration activities (collectively known as Climate, Access, and Restoration (CAR) Funding).

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FIGURE 1. MAP OF LOCATION AND STATUS OF COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS PROJECTS

