



**Consideration of Amendment to Term of Ecosystem Restoration and Climate Adaptation Grant
Program Agreement for Phase 1 San Joaquin River Floodplain Restoration and Floodway
Enhancement Project at Banta-Carbona Project
Staff Report**

Grantee	Banta-Carbona Irrigation District
Project ID	P1-1810
Award Year	2020
County	San Joaquin
Category	Planning
Original Award Amount	\$750,931
Request	Term Extension

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board approves an extension to the grant funding term of one year for additional time to complete project deliverables.

DESCRIPTION

The Grantee requests a one-year extension of the grant’s funding end date from February 29, 2024 to February 28, 2025 to accommodate the completion of project deliverables, specifically to submit permit applications and engage with permitting agencies to ensure the acquisition of appropriate permits. During the design process, two additional features were included that added significant time to the hydraulic and sediment modeling and creation of the 65 Percent Design Plans. This additional time for modeling and design delayed submission of permit applications until the plans were complete.

The Grantee indicated that if the Conservancy is unable to extend the funding term, they will be unable to complete all project deliverables by the current end date. This would put the planning phase of this project at risk and could delay future implementation.

BACKGROUND

The Phase 1 San Joaquin River Floodplain Restoration and Floodway Enhancement at Banta-Carbona Project is a planning project that will design and permit a 30-acre multi-benefit floodplain on the San Joaquin River to improve rearing habitat for juvenile salmon, reduce flood risk, and address sedimentation issues at an intake screen. This project was awarded \$750,931 of Proposition 1 funds in 2020. This is the Grantee’s first amendment request requiring Board consideration. With this time extension, the project is on track to be completed by February 28, 2025, when the requested grant agreement amendment expires. This request will have no impact on the availability of current funds as they are not set to expire until June 30, 2027.

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