



Sierra Nevada Conservancy  
FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES NEWSLETTER  
April-May 2018

**Upcoming Grants that Might be of Interest:**

- [North American Native Fishes Association Gerald C. Corcoran Educational Grants](#) (due March 31) fund projects to educate the general public about native North American fishes and their environment.
- The [North Face Explore Fund](#) (due April 5) provides funding to introduce under-represented communities to outdoor adventures in potentially new and interesting ways, and for projects that protect ecosystems and the ability to enjoy them by thinking creatively about engaging new and diverse communities in environmental work.
- [The Wildlife Conservation Society \(WCS\) North America Program: Climate Adaptation Fund](#) (pre-proposals due April 6) supports on-the-ground projects that demonstrate effective interventions for wildlife adaptation to climate change.
- [NOAA Environmental Literacy Grants](#) (due April 6) support the education of K-12 students and the public for community resilience.
- The [NRCS California Conservation Innovation Grant Program](#) (due April 11) seeks to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies in conjunction with agricultural production, including private forestlands.
- [National Environmental Education Foundation Grants](#) (due April 23) provide funding to build the organizational capacity of nonprofit organizations whose mission is focused on serving a public land site ('Friends of ...' groups).
- The [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and Walmart Acres for America Grants](#) (pre-proposals due April 26) provide funding to help purchase and conserve lands of national significance, protect critical fish and wildlife habitat, and benefit people and local economies.
- [FEMA Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response Grants](#) (due April 27) assist local fire departments with staffing and deployment capabilities in order to respond to emergencies, and assure that communities have adequate protection from fire and fire-related hazards.

- The [USDA Rural Business Development Grant Program](#) (due April 30) funds targeted technical assistance, training and other activities leading to the development or expansion of small and emerging private businesses in rural areas.
- The [Rural Energy for America Program \(REAP\): Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements Program](#) (due April 30) provides grants and guaranteed loans to agricultural producers and rural small businesses to purchase and install renewable energy systems and make energy efficiency improvements to their operations.
- [Farmers Market Promotion Program Grants](#) (due May 7) provide funding to help develop farmers markets, roadside stands, community-supported agriculture programs, and agritourism activities, as well as providing funding for outreach, training, and technical assistance.
- The [Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation Grants](#) (due May 10) fund museums, educational programs, and wildlife/environmental protection programs.
- The [National Park Service Historic Preservation Fund Tribal Heritage Grant Program](#) (due May 11) assists federally recognized Indian tribes in protecting and promoting their unique cultural heritage and traditions.
- [USDA Community Connect Grants](#) (due May 14) support the provision of broadband internet connections to communities in unserved, lower income, and extremely rural areas.
- The [Rose Foundation for Communities and the Environment: Northern California Environmental Grassroots Fund](#) (due May 15) provides modest general support grants to small grassroots organizations that address tough environmental problems such as toxic pollution, sustainable agriculture, climate change, environmental degradation of rivers and wild places, and the environmental health of communities.
- [CAL Trans Active Transportation Grants](#) (Call for Projects expected May 16) provide funding to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as walking and biking.
- [Clif Bar Family Foundation Small Grants](#) (due June 1) support efforts to protect the Earth's beauty and bounty, create a robust and healthy food system, increase opportunities for outdoor activity, reduce environmental health hazards, and build stronger communities.
- The [Bella Vista Foundation Ecosystem Restoration Grant Program](#) (applications accepted June 4 – 15) focuses on protecting, restoring, and revitalizing high-priority watershed ecosystems in California, including Truckee River, Yuba/Bear/American, and the North Fork Feather River watersheds.
- The [Wildlife Conservation Board's Riparian Habitat Conservation Program](#) (rolling) provides funding to protect, preserve, restore, and enhance riparian habitat throughout California.

**Interested in other funding** for fuel reduction, parks and trails, habitat preservation, or environmental education? Grant Research Memos on a variety of topics are available on the [SNC funding opportunities webpage](#).

**Department of Water Resources (DWR) Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Grant Timelines:** [IRWM grants](#) can support a broad range of

water and watershed activities. Proposition 1 provided \$510 million in grants through this program, the bulk of which is for implementation projects. The new draft Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) for Proposition 1 IRWM Implementation Grants is expected to be released by DWR in April, with a 45-day public comment period. The final PSP will be published in the summer, and IRWM grant applications will be due by the end of the year. In order to be eligible for this grant program, projects must be listed in the IRWM Plan for your Region. Contact your local Regional Water Management Group (your County should be able to give you a contact) for more information.

**Your SNC Area Representative** can help you set up an individual consultation with the SNC Funding Team to get advice about specific funding opportunities or general fund development strategies. To take advantage of this resource, [contact your Area Representative](#).

**Congratulations** to California Trout which, in partnership with the Pit River Tribe, recently completed the Hat Creek River Parkway and Restoration Projects. Located in Shasta County, the project included the restoration of 6.3 acres of riparian habitat and 1.5 miles of in-stream habitat. The project also constructed a 1.5 miles accessible trail and amenities to improve public access for recreational users, including hiking and fishing. The project was funded in part by the [Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Grant Program](#).

**Grant Writing Workshops** are available to help build the capacity of organizations that serve the Sierra Nevada Region. If you are interested in organizing or attending a workshop, contact your [Area Representative](#).

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