

Agenda Item IX

2011-12 Grant Awards “Healthy Forests” Phase 2



FY 2011-12 Grant Program

□ Focus on Healthy Forests

✓ Category One Grants

- Site Improvement/Restoration or Conservation Easement Acquisition
- Funding Level: \$5,000 to \$350,000 per project

✓ Category Two Grants

- Pre-project activities for an eligible Category One project
- Funding Level: up to \$75,000 per project

Board Direction

□ Board Direction March 2012:

- ✓ Phase the FY 2011-12 awards over two Board meetings (June and September, 2012) for total of \$7,000,000
- ✓ Award the highest benefit Category One projects in June up to \$5,000,000 (Phase 1)
- ➔ Merge remaining high-scoring Category One projects with the highest benefit Category Two projects and award \$2,000,000 in September (Phase 2)

Actions to Date

□ For Consideration in Phase 2:

- ✓ **42 Category 2 Projects requesting \$2.7 million**
- ✓ **12 Category 1 Projects requesting \$2.4 million**
 - Remaining highest ranking projects (scored between 77.75 and 70.00)
- ✓ **Funding Available for Phase 2 - \$2,516,492**
 - Phase 1 (June 2012) Category 1 awards in the amount of \$4,483,508

Phase 2 Recommendations

□ Staff Recommendations:

✓ 25 Highest Benefit Projects

- 13 CEQA/NEPA Compliance (\$778,681)
- 5 Pre-Project Activities (\$303,393)
- 4 Fuels Reduction (\$826,162)
- 1 Conservation Easement Acquisition (\$350,000)
- 1 Invasive Species Removal (\$237,638)
- 1 Meadow Restoration (\$49,265)

✓ Award total of \$2,545,140

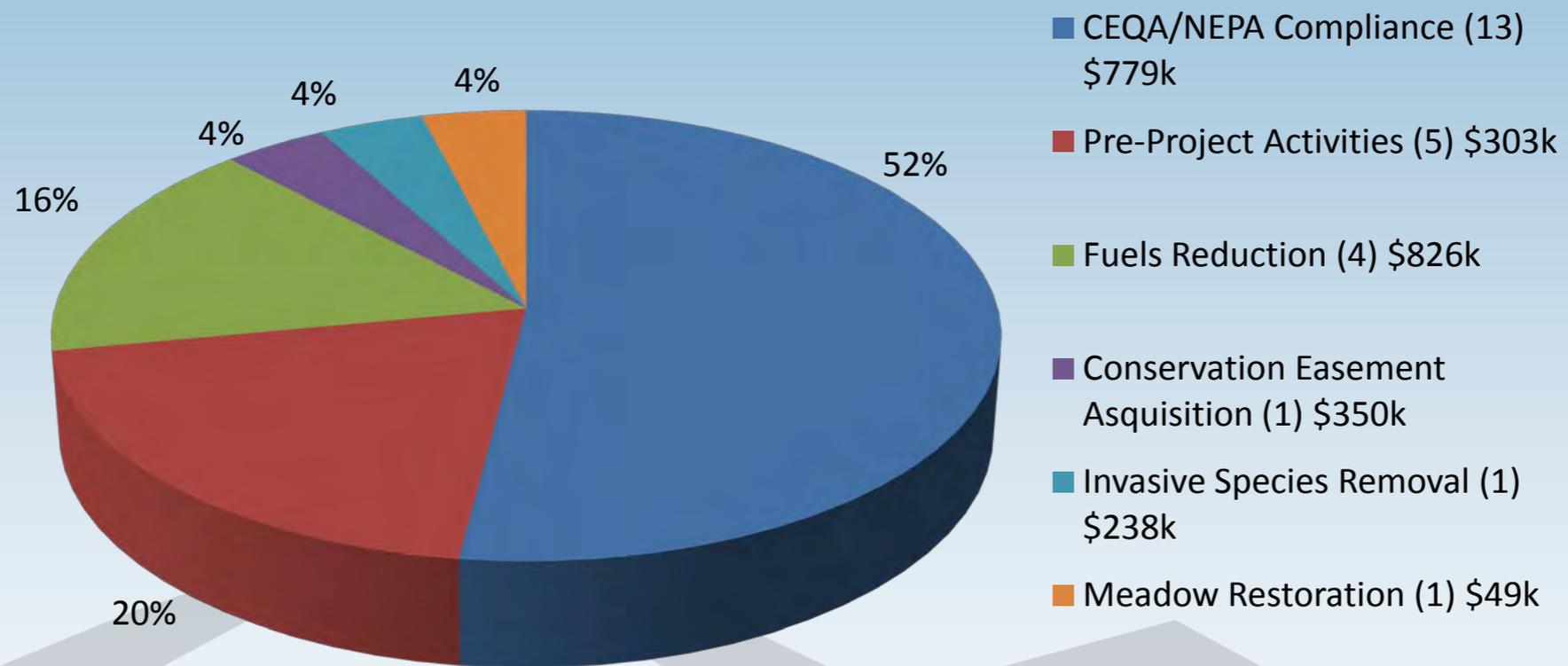
✓ Scores from 90 – 72.25 (of 100)

Phase 2 Recommendations

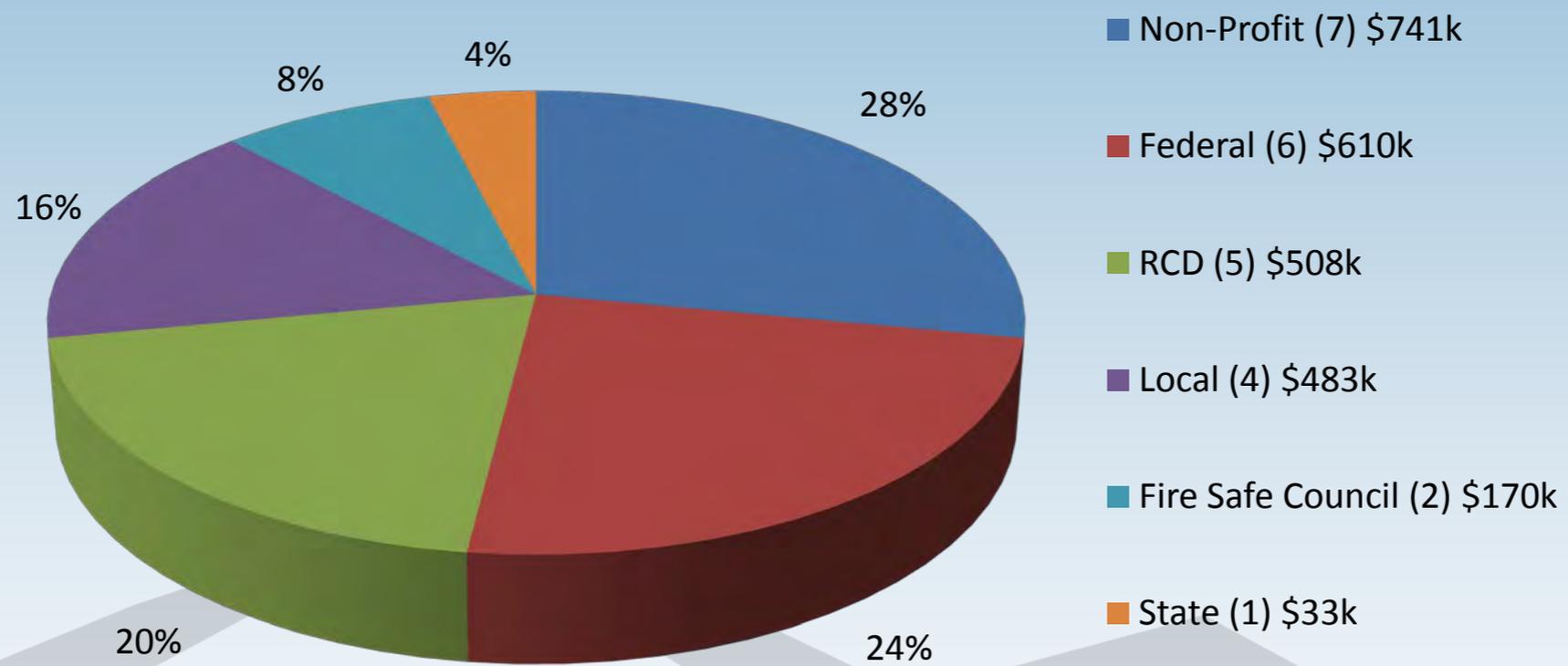
□ Conditional Recommendation:

- ✓ Conditionally approve project 489, pending final approval of appraisal
- ✓ Conditionally approve the following projects to replace 489 (score 90, \$350,000) if its appraisal is not approved by DGS prior to November 1, 2012:
 - 502 - Blacksmith Ecological Restoration Project, \$75,000
 - 523 – Maidu Meadow Restoration & Riparian Enhancements South Fork Wolf Creek, \$74,900
 - 519 - Leek Springs Meadow Restoration – Baseline Monitoring, Assessment and Restoration Plan, \$65,374
 - 616 - Mt. Ralston Community Defense Zone, \$171,156
- ✓ Award total of \$2,581,570
- ✓ Scores from 85.5 – 72.25 (of 100)

Recommended Projects by Type



Recommended Projects by Applicant



Recommended Projects by Subregion

