# CITY OF ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Agenda date: May 2, 2022

Reviewed by: NA

SUBJECT: Albany Hill Eucalyptus Project (CIP No. 41015): Project Status Update and

Authorization to Submit Application for California Coastal Conservancy Wildfire

Resilience Program

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#### **SUMMARY**

This report provides an update on the status of the Albany Hill Eucalyptus Project (CIP No. 41015) and requests that City Council adopt a resolution authorizing submittal of a grant application to the California Coastal Conservancy Wildfire Resilience Program in the amount of \$230,000 for the project.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That the Council receive a presentation on the status of the Albany Hill Eucalyptus Project and adopt Resolution No. 2022-41:

- 1. Authorizing staff to submit an application to the Coastal Conservancy for a Wildfire Resilience Grant in the amount of \$230,000 for the Albany Hill Eucalyptus Project (CIP No. 41015) and associated activities, and
- 2. If awarded, authorizing the City Manager to execute the grant agreement and appropriate the grant funding towards the project, which will be provided to the City on a reimbursement basis for work performed.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Albany Hill is a precious natural resource and recreational open space, with a complex pattern of property ownership and ecological importance. In recent years, there has been much focus on the hill as a Monarch Butterfly clustering site. In the Fall of 2020, staff noticed a sudden decline in the health of many of the Eucalyptus trees on the hill, matching the observations of other professionals in other East Bay communities. That following winter and spring, staff partnered with researchers at UC Berkeley and the US Forest Service's Pacific Southwest Research Station who collected samples and performed in-depth scientific analysis.

On June 7, 2021, City Council received a <u>report</u> on the status of the condition of Blue Gum Eucalyptus on Albany Hill. At that time staff showed Council photos of the declining trees on the hill. Staff reported that they had retained a consulting arborist (SBCA Tree Consulting) to conduct an inspection of trees near roads and trails to evaluate the near-term risk to residences, vehicles, and passers-by. The arborist submitted a report to staff on July 23, 2021.

Staff also briefed Council about the study sampling declining eucalyptus for pathogens by researchers from UC Berkeley. The sampling study was reported to the Parks Recreation and Open Space Commission at their <u>May 2021 meeting</u>. Results of the pathogen study became available on September 21, 2021.

On October 18, 2021 staff <u>updated</u> the Council on the findings of the following reports: Albany Hill Eucalyptus Tree Survey from SBCA Tree Consulting, Eucalyptus Dieback Report from UC Berkeley, and Water Stress Readings Report from Cal Fire. Staff also provided an update on studies on fuel loads and monarch habitat. At that meeting Council adopted <u>Resolution No. 2021-105</u>, authorizing establishment of the Albany Hill Eucalyptus Project (CIP No. 41015) and appropriating \$100,000 from remaining Measure R capital funds for the project.

The City has several studies in process to further assess monarch habitat, overall fire fuel load risk and eucalyptus decline on Albany Hill. The results of these studies will be incorporated into the eucalyptus removal project as well as inform the City's ongoing vegetation management activities. The following is a brief summary and status of each study.

**Enhanced Monarch Habitat Assessment:** This work is being completed by Stuart Wiess from Creekside Science. The scope includes lidar scanning of the public and private open spaces to provide a more detailed mapping of habitat area. The field work is substantially complete, and data is being analyzed. The expected completion is early summer.

**Fire Fuel Load Assessment:** This work is being completed by Carol Rice and Cheryl Miller. The scope includes a comprehensive analysis of fuel loads across both public and private open spaces. The analysis will result in mitigation measure to reduce fuel loads and fire risks across Albany Hill. This work is being done in collaboration with the Enhanced Monarch Habitat Assessment so that the recommendations are compatible with the Monarch habitat. The field work is complete, and results are expected in early summer.

**Higher Level Eucalyptus Assessment:** This work was performed by McNeil Arboriculture Consultants. Using enhanced assessment techniques, this study evaluated approximately 40 trees in or near Monarch clustering locations to determine the current mechanical condition and associated failure potential, whether failure potential is increased by removal of nearby trees which might expose the tree to unaccustomed, and whether the health of the tree suggests that it might die within a short timeframe. The work is complete.

Staff will also present information from the Monarch and fuel load studies and findings from the tree assessment as well as an overall update on the activities on Albany Hill at the May Parks Recreation and Open Space Commission meeting.

The California Coastal Conservancy released a Request for Proposals for their Wildfire Resilience Program on December 3, 2021. The program has funding for on-the-ground projects (\$10 million) and capacity-building projects (\$7 million) for restoring the health and increasing resiliency of California forests, grasslands, and natural lands from Marin County south to Ventura County. Some projects may be eligible for CEQA funding.

Staff submitted a pre-application on January 14, 2022 and on March 17 the Coastal Conservancy asked the City to submit a full application, which is due May 16.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The project proposed for this grant meets the purpose of the Coastal Conservancy's Wildfire Resilience Program, which is to provide grants in California's coastal counties to restore the health and resilience of California forests, grasslands, and natural lands in a manner that reduces fire risk to communities.

The proposed project also meets the following priorities of the grant program:

- Project addresses high wildfire risk area, such as those identified in the CalFire Fire Hazard Severity Zones or the FRAP Priority Landscape Maps: Priority Landscapes
- Project implements the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan
- Project provides significant public benefit
- Project benefits disadvantaged or underserved community
- Projects leads to longer term resilience or more sustainable benefits
- Project address demonstrated need or regional problem
- Project will support demonstrable increase to wildfire resilience implementation
- Project will leverage resources through coordination across jurisdictions
- Project has long term funding plan, applicant commitment

The proposed grant application includes the following three elements:

- **Project Planning & Design:** The requested funds from the Coastal Conservancy will be combined with funds previously appropriated by the Council (Resolution No. 2021-105) to develop a plan for phased removal of dead and declining eucalyptus trees as outlined in CIP Project No. 41015 Albany Hill Eucalyptus Project. This plan will include but is not limited to: plantings of other tall trees in areas of the hill where monarchs have traditionally clustered; survey of the existing native understory which will be allowed to grow after eucalyptus removal; and analysis and design of additional plantings of Albany Hill-sourced native plants. This project element includes CEQA analysis and compliance as necessary.
- **Fire Safety:** The requested grant funds will be used to extend Urban Tilth's contract by one (1) year to ensure that Albany Hill continues to be fire-safe while the removal and restoration plan is in development. Urban Tilth's Watershed Stewardship Restoration Field Crew works year-round on the hill to reduce fire hazards by mowing grasslands, pruning vegetation along fire roads, removing dead and downed material, and planting natives, which have lower fire hazards.

• Education & Research: The requested allocation will make possible the establishment of a Habitat Restoration Intern Program and an Indigenous Partnership Program to increase our understanding of plant and animal communities on the hill, which will help in our development of more fire resilient, healthy ecosystems.

Table: Grant Funds Proposed Allocation

Project Element	Proposed Grant Amount
Project Planning & Design	\$140,000
Fire Safety	\$60,000
Education & Research	\$30,000
Total	\$230,000

At the request of the Coastal Conservancy, staff has also included details of the proposed future phases of the project, including implementation and construction of the final plan for tree removal and habitat restoration. This phase however is contingent upon completion of the Planning item above, and costs for this phase are not included in the current grant funding request.

#### **CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES**

Authorizing application to the grant program continues to further the City Council's 2021-2022 Strategic Plan as follows:

Goal 3 Maximize and Improve Parks and Open Space

- Objective 2 Enhance Open Space,
  - o Item 1: Develop a prioritized list of projects on Albany Hill and include in the CIP program, and
  - o Item 2: Develop a forest management plan for Albany Hill including fuel load analysis.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS**

The project is consistent with the goals, policies, and actions of the following plans:

City of Albany Climate Action and Adaptation Plan 2019, Goal 3: Increase resilience of natural lands and systems. Approach: Manage, restore, and partner to foster resilient natural landscapes. events Action 4.3.2 Continue to manage wildfire risk by implementing vegetation management and fuel reduction programs.

Albany 2035 General Plan, Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Element:

Action PROS-1.B: Creekside Master Plan Implementation: Implement the open space management recommendations of the 2012 Creekside Master Plan, including vegetation management, trail improvements, signage and other park improvements

Policy PROS-3.7: Vegetation Management: Ensure that park landscaping and maintenance practices are consistent with City policies to reduce wildfire hazards and manage vegetation. These practices should also reinforce City programs to conserve water, promote Bay-friendly landscaping such as native, non-invasive, drought- tolerant plants, and use reclaimed water for irrigation

Albany 2035 General Plan, Conservation and Sustainability Element:

Policy CON-1.3: Conservation of Albany Hill: Protect and restore natural features, native vegetation, and wildlife on Albany Hill.

Policy CON-2.5: Albany Hill Vegetation Management: Protect the remaining native plant communities on Albany Hill. Vegetation on the Hill should be managed in a way that gradually reduces the extent of the eucalyptus forest and encourages native plants to return.

Action CON-2.D: Creekside Master Plan Implementation: Implement the vegetation management prescriptions of the Albany Hill Creekside Master Plan, and periodically update the Plan as conditions change.

Action CON-2.G: Native Plant Restoration: Preserve and enhance native plant communities in the city while encouraging the control or removal of invasive and non-native species.

Policy CON-5.3: Monarch Butterfly Roosting: Consider potential impacts to Monarch butterfly roosting sites on Albany Hill in any future applications for development, park expansion, trail construction, and fuel reduction on the Hill.

Action CON-5.D: Monarch Butterfly Surveys: For construction projects that would affect eucalyptus, pine, and cypress groves during the period between September and March, require preconstruction surveys by a qualified biologist to determine if roosting Monarch butterflies are present. In the event winter colonies are identified, require appropriate measures to avoid impacts, such as postponing tree removal until butterflies have left or by designating buffer areas around the affected trees.

#### **SOCIAL EQUITY & INCLUSIVITY CONSIDERATIONS**

Ongoing vegetation management work by the Watershed Stewardship Restoration Field Crew of Urban Tilth is critical to keeping Albany Hill safe from fire hazards as well as helping to restore ecosystems on the hill. Their Watershed Stewardship Program employs and empowers young

adults who live in Richmond and surrounding communities. This grant would extend Urban Tilth's contract on Albany Hill for one year.

Another component of the project is partnering with Indigenous People, who have historically been excluded from decisions about uses on their traditional homelands. Staff is engaged with the Lisjan Ohlone about collaborating on activities on Albany Hill.

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The requested grant amount is \$230,000.

Local matching funds are not required for the grant, but the requested grant funding will augment City appropriated funds to support the project (\$100,000, Resolution No. 2021-105) as well as funds devoted to support of ongoing fire safety and vegetation management as incorporated into the Public Works operating budget.

If awarded, the grant funds will be administered on a reimbursement basis for project expenditures incurred.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Resolution No. 2022-41
- 2. Coastal Conservancy Wildfire Resilience Program Request for Proposals
- 3. Coastal Conservancy Wildfire Resilience Grant Final Application

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-41**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL CONSERVANCY WILDFIRE RESILIENCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Albany strives to maintain vegetation on Albany Hill for fire safety and ecosystem health, preserve and enhance native plant communities on the Hill, and consider potential impacts to Monarch Butterflies; and

WHEREAS, the City has been working with consultants and other agencies to study Monarch Butterfly habitat and the decline of Blue Gum Eucalyptus on the Hill; and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2021 City Council authorized the appropriation of funds to The Albany Hill Eucalyptus Project (CIP No. 41015) in the amount of \$100,000 for a higher level tree assessment and initial funding for plan development and CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the Coastal Conservancy developed their Wildfire Resilience Grant Program to provide funding for on-the-ground projects (\$10 million) and capacity-building projects (\$7 million) that will restore the health and increase resiliency of California forests, grasslands, and natural lands from Marin County south to Ventura County; and

WHEREAS, staff are proposing that the Coastal Conservancy allocate funding to the City for three activities: 1) development of a plan for eucalyptus tree removal and habitat restoration on Albany Hill 2) support of activities ensuring continuing fire safety on the hill, and 3) development of a natural and cultural history education and research program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes staff to submit an application to the Coastal Conservancy for a Wildfire Resilience Grant in the amount of \$230,000 for the Albany Hill Eucalyptus Project (CIP No. 41015) and associated activities; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if awarded, the City Council authorizes the City Manager to execute the grant agreement and appropriates the grant funding towards the project, which will be provided to the City on a reimbursement basis for work performed. PRESTON JORDAN – MAYOR 

# Wildfire Resilience Program Request for Proposals



2021 Announcement Released December 3, 2021 Pre-application due January 14, 2022



**Included in this document:** 

- -- Program description
- -- Jurisdiction map

Questions? Email wildfire.resilience@scc.ca.gov

Consultations encouraged.

#### INTRODUCTION

The Coastal Conservancy's Wildfire Resilience Program supports local partners to develop and implement projects that improve ecological health of natural lands and reduce the risk of catastrophic fire. The program will fund grants for (1) on-the-ground activities to restore the health and increase resilience of California forests, grasslands, and natural lands to wildfire; and (2) planning and capacity building to increase wildfire resilience in California for projects from Marin County south to Ventura County. Some projects may be eligible for CEQA funding.

Pre-proposals can be submitted via email to wildfire.resilience@scc.ca.gov. Pre-proposals are due by 5pm on January 14, 2022 for project approval by May 2022. Pre-proposals submitted after this date will continue to be considered on a rolling basis after the first batch of submissions is reviewed. Based on this review, applicants may be invited to submit a full proposal or asked to provide further information on their project.

#### **QUESTIONS / TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

The Conservancy's Wildfire Resilience Program will host a **webinar at 1 pm on December 16, 2021** to provide an overview of this funding proposal and answer questions. The registration link for the webinar is <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_PTZxSNn8TrC1pV-zU\_Z8vA">https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_PTZxSNn8TrC1pV-zU\_Z8vA</a>. The recorded webinar will be posted on <a href="https://scc.ca.gov/grants/">https://scc.ca.gov/grants/</a> afterwards. We also encourage prospective applicants to request a pre-application consultation with Conservancy staff. Requests for pre-application consultations and other application questions can be directed to wildfire.resilience@scc.ca.gov.

#### **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

- Public Agencies
- Nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status
- Federally-Recognized Indian Tribes

#### AVAILABLE FUNDING & ELIGIBLE GEOGRAPHIES

There are no maximum or minimum grant amounts for this funding. Conservancy funding from this program comes from three separate sources with different priorities and geographies. The Conservancy has a total of \$10 million for wildfire resilience implementation projects, \$5 million of which is for the nine-county SF Bay Area.

Geography	Eligible Projects	Available Funding
SCC Jurisdiction	On-the- ground projects	\$10 million
Central Coast RFFCP, Counties of: Marin, Contra Costa, Alameda, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura	Capacity building	\$7 million



In addition, the Conservancy has about \$7 million from the Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program (RFFCP) to support capacity building projects from Marin County south to Ventura County, including the East Bay and Salinas Valley.



#### **ELIGIBLE PROJECTS**

The purpose of these grants is to restore the health and resilience of California forests, grasslands, and natural lands in a manner that reduces fire risk to communities. The Conservancy will fund a wide range of activities to plan, accelerate, and support implementation of land and vegetation management activities to reduce wildfire risk to communities. Grants will not fund home hardening. Projects must provide a public benefit.

#### Eligible projects will fall into one of the following two categories:

- 1) Grants for on-the-ground activities that will reduce the risks of wildland fires. Eligible projects could include:
- Shaded fuel breaks and other vegetation thinning
- Dead and diseased tree removal
- Use of beneficial fire to reduce risk
- Application of Traditional **Ecological** Knowledge to reduce fire risks
- Prescribed grazing
- Removal of high-fire risk invasive plants and restoration with native plants
- Equipment to support wildfire reduction work



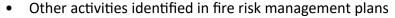




Image of a community based prescribed burn in Napa County

2) Grants for capacity-building in the RFFCP Region (see map). These grants could support planning, project prioritization, capacity building, and demonstration projects that will accelerate implementation of wildfire resilience projects. Eligible projects could include:

#### Planning:

- Development of subregional prioritization plans
- Planning and permitting specific projects
- Mapping, modeling, and demonstration of decision-support systems
- Use of remote sensing, LIDAR, geographic information systems, and other technology to identify fire risk reduction priorities

#### Capacity Building:

- Increase staff or contract expertise to support:
  - Project management
  - Expanding field crews
  - Staff training
  - Permitting and environmental review
  - Grant writing and developing funding strategies
- Work force development including career development training programs
- Regional coordination and convenings

#### **Demonstration Projects:**

Biomass utilization projects: assessment of biomass feedstock, development of green processing facilities or methods (including pilot projects), integration with existing handlers/facilities

- Vegetation treatment projects: analysis of materials and methods for managing vegetation to restore and enhance native plant assemblages. Approaches to reducing fire threat that preserve native vegetation
- Implementation of treatment approaches using a variety of technology and techniques to enhance understanding of fire reduction strategies

#### **PRIORITIES**

#### General Priorities for this Request for Proposals:

- Project addresses high wildfire risk area, such as those identified in the CalFire Fire Hazard Severity Zones
   (FHSZ Viewer HELP ca.gov) or the FRAP Priority Landscape Maps: Priority Landscapes (arcgis.com)
- Project is ready to be implemented
- Project implements the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan (Jan 2021)
- Project provides significa<sup>1</sup>nt public benefit
- Project benefits disadvantaged or underserved community
- Projects leads to longer term resilience or more sustainable benefits

#### <u>Priorities for On the Ground Projects:</u>

- Project is identified in a Community Wildfire Protection Plan or another wildfire resilience/prevention plan
- Project benefits public or protected lands

#### **Priorities for Capacity Building Projects:**

- Project address demonstrated need or regional problem
- Project will support demonstrable increase to wildfire resilience implementation
- Project will leverage resources through coordination across jurisdictions
- Project has long term funding plan, applicant commitment

If applicants have questions about how a project or program may fit within the RFFCP, please reach out to SCC staff to discuss at wildfire.resilience@scc.ca.gov. Consultations are encouraged.

#### **SCC MISSION STATEMENT**

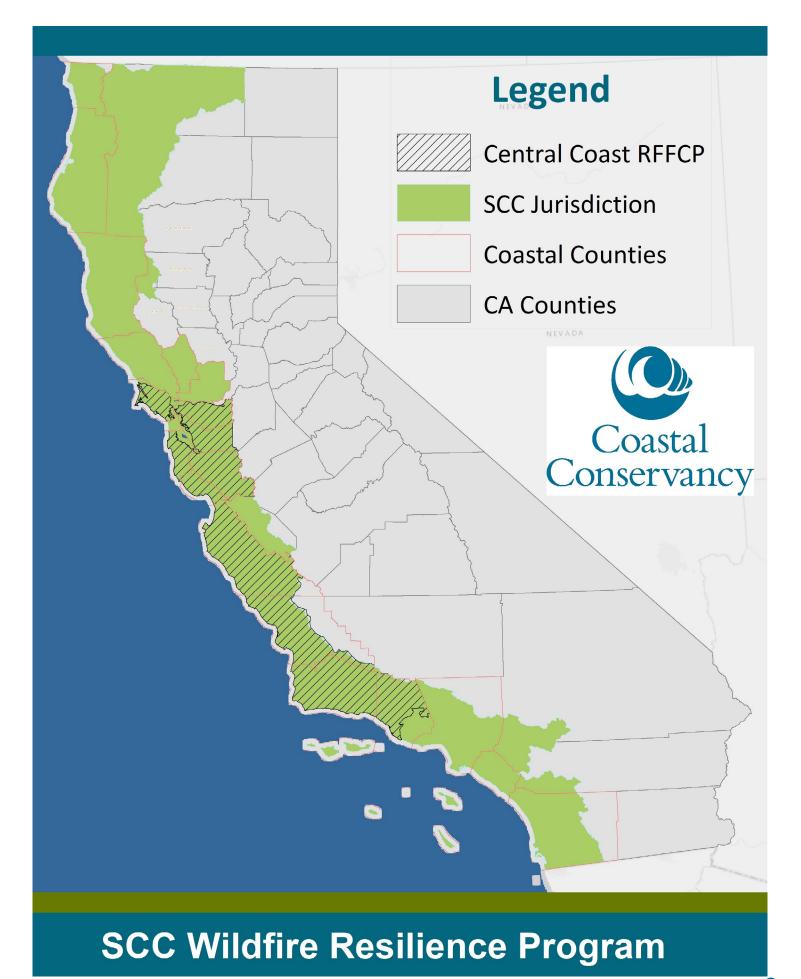
The State Coastal Conservancy's vision is of a beautiful, restored, and accessible coast for current and future generations of Californians. We act with others to protect and restore, and increase public access to, California's coast, ocean, coastal watersheds, and the San Francisco Bay Area.

#### **AGENCY OVERVIEW**

The State Coastal Conservancy ("Conservancy") is a state agency, established in 1976, to work proactively with local communities to implement multi-benefit projects that protect and enhance coastal resources. The Conservancy works along the entire length of California's coast, within the watersheds of rivers and streams that extend inland from the coast, and throughout the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. The Conservancy is leading the state's Central Coastal Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program with funding from the Department of Conservation.

The Coastal Conservancy's Wildfire Resilience Program supports local partners to develop and implement projects that improve ecological health of natural lands and reduce the risk of catastrophic fire in areas where people live.







#### WILDFIRE RESILIENCE GRANT APPLICATION



## **COVER PAGE**

Please complete this application in Microsoft Word. Email the completed application and attachments to <a href="wildfire.resilience@scc.ca.gov">wildfire.resilience@scc.ca.gov</a>.

CONTACT INFO				
Organization*				
Contact Person		Email		
Position/Title				
Phone				
Address				
Federal Tax ID #				
PROJECT INFO				
Project Name				
Project Type (Check all that apply)	☐ Implementation RFFC ☐ Planning Project ☐ Capacity Ruilding Project			
Project Summary (3-4 sentences)		☐ Demonstration Project		
Total Project Cost	<b>7</b>	Amount \$ Requested		
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#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Complete each of the elements of the project description below with clear, but detailed answers. Add space to each answer as necessary but stay within the suggested limits.

- 1. **Site Description** (1 paragraph).
- 2. **Project Need** (1 paragraph). Describe the specific problem, issue, or unserved need the project will address.
- 3. **Project Activities** (1-3 paragraphs). Describe specifically how the proposed project will address the project need identified in #3 above.
- 4. **Project Outcomes.** Provide information on qualitative and quantitative outcomes of your project. 1) For implementation projects discuss vegetation acreage by treatment type. 2) For RFFC projects include metrics such, how many staff will be hired? How many projects do you hope to plan with funding from this grant? Describe community and stakeholder meetings. How many and what sort of format would you anticipate? **See grant reporting section at the end of this application regarding the type of grant reporting we anticipate needing.**

#### **Project ELIGIBILITY Criteria**

Э.	grant funds and carrying out similar types of projects.
6.	Site ownership or control – Check the applicable box.
	☐ Applicant owns the land where the project will occur.

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Applicant does not yet have a written agreement with the landowner to conduct the project on their land. If this answer is checked, specify how and when the landowner agreement will be reached.

7. **Long-term management and maintenance** (1 paragraph) – If applicable, summarize the plans for any long-term management, maintenance, and monitoring need for the project.

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#### PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA

#### **Wildfire Resilience Program PRIORITIES**

Check all applicable Conservancy Wildfire Resilience Program priorities that you think your project significantly addresses.
☐ Project addresses high wildfire risk area, such as those identified in the CalFire Fire Hazard Severity Zones or the FRAP Priority Landscape Maps: Priority Landscapes
□ Project is ready to be implemented
$\square$ Project implements the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan
□ Project provides significant public benefit
☐ Project benefits disadvantaged or underserved community
☐ Projects leads to longer term resilience or more sustainable benefits
Implementation Projects
☐ Project is identified in a Community Wildfire Protection Plan or another wildfire resilience/prevention plan
□ Project benefits public or protected lands
RFFC Projects (Capacity Building, Planning and Demonstration Projects)
□ Project address demonstrated need or regional problem
$\square$ Project will support demonstrable increase to wildfire resilience implementation
$\square$ Project will leverage resources through coordination across jurisdictions
□ Project has long term funding plan, applicant commitment

#### **General Project SELECTION Criteria**

- 2. **Describe why your project is a good investment of state resources.** (1-2 paragraphs) Explain how you developed your project and determined associated costs. Responses should address other following key factors below, if applicable. If there is information already provided in other parts of the application, please indicate where.
  - Project provides important benefits to Californians
  - Project is feasible
  - Budget is reasonable
  - Project leverages non state resources including volunteer work, in-kind support, or partnerships
  - Project advances statewide goals and is consistent with regional plans
  - Protects or enhances significant resources
  - Pilot projects that may have demonstration value
  - Applicant has consulted with relevant State and Federal agencies
  - Scientific assumptions of project are explained in proposal, project follows best practices
- 3. Describe how the benefits of your project will be sustainable or resilient over the project lifespan (1-2 paragraphs). If you already addressed this in other parts of the application, please indicate where.

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- 4. **Describe project delivers multiple benefits and significant positive impact** (1-2 paragraphs). If you already addressed this in other parts of the application, please indicate where.
- 5. Describe the community support for this project and summarize how you have (or will) engage relevant communities, including native American tribes and tribal groups, in the planning of this project (1-3 paragraphs).

TASKS AND SCHEDULE

#### Specific Tasks.

Identify the specific tasks that will be undertaken and the work that will be accomplished for each task.

TA	TASK SCHEDULE					
#	Project Tasks	Description	Timeline (Anticipated Start and End Dates - Month/Year)			
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2						
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4						
5						
6						

Add or delete rows as necessary.

#### **Permits**

**Check the permits needed to undertake the project**. Links to permitting information are provided in the table below.

NAME OF PERMIT	SECURED	PENDING	INCLUDED IN SCOPE OF APPLICATION
☐ <u>Coastal Development Permit</u>			
☐ Historic Tree Ordinance or Historic Designations			
<ul> <li>□ Local Grading, Vegetation, or Other permit</li> <li>Contact your local County/City planning</li> <li>department</li> </ul>			
□ CDFW Lake/Streambed Alteration Permit (1600)			
☐ CDFW California Endangered Species Act <u>Take Authorization</u>			
☐ <u>U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Biological</u> <u>Opinion</u>			
□ National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinion			
☐ Other – Please specify			

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#### CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) Compliance

0	Status of CEQA review	•	
	☐ Not Started	□ In Progress	☐ Complete
0	Estimated completion	date:	
0	What document is the Exemption  Negative Declaration  Mitigated Negative De Environmental Review	(ND) CLARATION (MND)	ed to result in:
0	If an ND, MND, or EIR i	s required, specify the	CEQA LEAD AGENCY:

#### PROJECT COST ESTIMATE

Please provide a brief narrative explanation of the budget that explains and justifies the costs. The purpose of the narrative is to provide background and detail to explain the costs in the budget, including the source of the estimates. The narrative should specify whether the budget includes administrative or indirect costs, and/or contingencies and those amounts of each. Please round all budget numbers up to the nearest \$100.

#	Project Tasks	Conservancy Grant	Other Funding	Total
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	Indirect Costs (not to exceed 20%)			
	TOTAL			

#### PROJECT MAPS AND PLANS

#### **Project Location Map**

Include a map that clearly shows the project location within the context of the surrounding area. Be sure map shows nearest road access to site. **Provide GIS project files (e.g., shapefiles, KML) if possible.** 

#### NON-PROFIT APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

Non-profit applicants should include the following with the applications:

- 1. Letter of Determination from the Internal Revenue Service indicating current 501(c)(3) status.
- 2. Completed Nonprofit Organization Pre-Award Questionnaire.



#### WILDFIRE RESILIENCE GRANT APPLICATION

#### **GRANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

A compl	ete application will consist of the following files:
	Grant Application form (in Microsoft word or rtf format):
	Project maps and plans (in one pdf file, 10 MB maximum size)
	Project photos (in jpg format)
	For Nonprofit Organizations, please submit a completed Nonprofit Organization Pre-Award Questionnaire, and the organization's 501(c)(3) letter and Articles of Incorporation.

#### ANTICIPATED GRANT REPORTING

You do **not** need to complete this table as part of the application. However, the following are an example of the types of metrics that are likely to be required as part of a grant. Please consider these as you develop project.

IMPLEMENTATION EXAMPLE METRICS*						
		Broa	d Vegetation Type (	Acres to Be	Treated)	
Primary Objective	Forest	Woodland	Shrub/ Chaparral	Grassland	Other	Total
Prescribed Fire						
Fuel Break						
Other Fuels Reduction						
Roadway Clearance						
Total:						

RFFC EXAMPLE METRICS	
	Number
Staff Trained	
Staff Hired	
Project Planned	
Projects Permitted	
Community/Stakeholder Meetings	

