



SAN FRANCISCO BAY
RESTORATION AUTHORITY

April 17th, 2019

Carol Bach
Port of San Francisco
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RE: San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Grant Application

Dear Applicant:

Congratulations, your application for Heron's Head Park Shoreline Resilience is being recommended for partial funding! This grant round was very competitive; the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority received 15 applications requesting over \$81 million, and we were unable to fully fund all worthy projects.

The staff recommendation will be presented to the Authority's Governing Board for approval at a public meeting. The Authority will assign a project manager to prepare the written staff recommendation. The project manager will be in touch with you in the coming weeks.

If the Authority approves a grant for this project, your assigned project manager will send you a grant agreement. You may not begin work under the grant until the grant agreement is fully executed and certain conditions have been satisfied.

We look forward to working with you on this project. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss before your project manager reaches out, please reach out to grants@sfbayrestore.org.

Sincerely,

Sam Schuchat
Executive Officer



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 07, 2019

TO: Governing Board
San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

FROM: Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer
Matt Gerhart, Program Manager
San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

SUBJECT: Staff's Recommendation on Projects to be Considered for Funding through Grant Round 2

In response to its second grant solicitation, the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority (Authority) received 15 applications requesting a total of approximately \$83 million, of which \$57 million was requested by the Santa Clara Valley Water District for the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Project. The authority has approximately \$21.5 million available to authorize for Round 2 projects.

Staff and members of the Advisory Committee reviewed and scored the applications and obtained additional information from applicants, as needed. Based on this process, staff developed the following list of projects to be recommended for funding in Grant Round 2:

- Tiscornia Marsh Restoration and Sea Level Rise Adaptation Project
- South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Project (multi-year funding of approx. \$11 million/year)
- Lower Walnut Creek Restoration Project
- Coyote Hills Restoration and Public Access Project
- Heron's Head Park Shoreline Resilience Project (partial funding)

Measure AA requires that revenue be allocated to projects throughout the region, with 50% of funds allocated to the four Bay Area regions in proportion to each region's share of the Bay Area's population, as determined in the 2010 census, and 50% allocated without regard to county. The minimum percentages that will be allocated to each of the four Bay Area regions are listed below:

- North Bay (Sonoma, Marin, Napa and Solano Counties) = 9% minimum allocation;
- East Bay (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties) = 18% minimum allocation;
- West Bay (City and County of San Francisco and San Mateo County) = 11% minimum allocation; and
- South Bay (Santa Clara County) = 12% minimum allocation.

SFBRA Grant Round 2 Staff Funding Recommendations

Organization	Partner Entities	Project Name	Project Summary	Average Score	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended: This Fiscal Year	Amount Recommended: Future Fiscal Years
Marin Audubon Society	City of San Rafael, Marin County BayWAVE, Shore Up Marin, San Francisco Bay Trail, San Francisco Bay Joint Venture, STRAW, Friends of San Rafael, Marin Community Foundation	Tiscornia Marsh Restoration and Sea Level Rise Adaptation	Prepare technical studies, refine the design, conduct CEQA review and public outreach for a sea level rise adaptation project that will expand marsh habitat and increase flood protection and provide public access for the underserved Canal community.	91	\$968,916	\$968,916	
Santa Clara Valley Water District	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, California State Coastal Conservancy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	South San Francisco Bay Shoreline: Economic Impact Area 11	The Project is a partnership between the District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, California State Coastal Conservancy and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and is located in the City of San José, Santa Clara County. The Project aims to restore approximately 2,900 acres to its original tidal action and baylands habitat; provide 1-percent coastal flood risk management including improved shoreline resilience against projected sea level rise; and provide recreational enhancement opportunities and San Francisco Bay Trail connections.	89.33	\$57,026,673	\$11,000,000	\$46,026,673
Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District	John Muir Land Trust	Lower Walnut Creek Restoration	The Project will restore and enhance brackish tidal wetlands and adjacent uplands along the southern shore of Suisun Bay, Walnut Creek and Pacheco Creek. The Project will improve habitat quality, diversity, and connectivity along 3.2 miles of creek channel (up to 328 acres). The Project provides flood protection that will be sustainable with natural sedimentation processes. Public trails and associated amenities will offer visitors opportunities for wildlife-compatible recreation, environmental educational and broad vistas of the Project area, Suisun Bay and Mount Diablo.	88.67	\$7,929,855	\$7,929,855	
East Bay Regional Park District		Coyote Hills Restoration and Public Access	The Coyote Hills Restoration and Public Access Project will restore rare high value habitat along the Bay margin including wet meadow, seasonal wetland, coastal prairie, willow thicket and mixed riparian forest habitat and provide public access on 306 acres expanding the eastern park boundary.	82	\$450,000	\$450,000	

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Port of San Francisco	Literacy for Environmental Justice, San Francisco State University - Estuary & Ocean Science Center	Heron's Head Park Shoreline Resilience	The Port proposes to plan, permit, and construct a living shoreline at Heron's Head Park to control erosion, protect wetland habitat and upland public access, improve ecological function and biodiversity, and enable adaptation to sea level rise. The project will include planting, monitoring and stewardship.	84.75	\$3,456,600	\$1,100,000	
City of Palo Alto	Palo Alto Open Space, Parks and Golf Administration, and Baylands Comprehensive Conservation Plan Stakeholder Advisory Group	Renzel Marsh Restoration and Enhancement	Design and permitting for the restoration of the 160-acre Renzel Marsh complex, including enhanced tidal influence, tidal marsh restoration, and exploration of upland/transitional wetland restoration options using treated wastewater effluent for irrigation. Multiple benefits of this project include restoration and enhancement of low-quality tidal marsh; increased tidal action for improved water quality and flood risk reduction; new trails for recreation and education; and demonstration of cost-effective contaminant removal/sea level rise (SLR) adaptation strategies, via green infrastructure.	78.75	\$956,250		
East Bay Regional Park District	City of Richmond	Point Molate Shoreline Restoration and Public Access	Construct 1.0 mile of San Francisco Bay Trail on the Point San Pablo shoreline; provide improved public access to Point Molate Beach Park; remove approx. 800 liner feet of shoreline debris; and restore and enhance approx. 10,000 sq. ft. of shoreline beach, grassland and coastal scrub.	77.75	\$2,500,000		