LWCF Funded Places in California

Federal Program American River Angeles NF Antioch Dunes NWR Bizz Johnson Trail **Humboldt County** Blue Ridge NWR **Bodie Bowl ACEC** California Coastal NM California Desert NPs California NWRs California NFs

California Wilderness/Catellus Carrizo Plain NM

Central Valley Wetlands Channel Islands NP

Chuckwalla Bench ACEC

Cleveland NF Coachella V.-Toed Lizard ACEC

Coachella Valley NWR

Consumnes River Preserve Desert Tortoise Habitat

Don Edwards SF Bay NWR

Dos Palmas/Salt Creek

East Mojave NSA

El Dorado County El Dorado NF

Ellicott Slough NWR

Golden Gate NRA

Grasslands WMA *Havasu NWR

Headwaters Conservation

Humboldt-Toiyabe NF

John Muir NHS

Johnson Canyon ACEC Joshua Tree NP

King Range NCA

Kings Canyon NP Tahoe NF/L. Tahoe Basin

Lassen NF

Lassen Volcanic NP

Los Padres NF

Marin Islands NWR

Mendocino NF

Merced WSR

Middle Fork Feather NSRR

Mojave NPres

Morongo Canyons

LWCF Success in California

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) has provided funding to help protect some of California's most special places and ensure recreational access for hunting, fishing and other outdoor activities. California has received approximately \$2.447 billion in LWCF funding over the past five decades, protecting places such as the Lake Tahoe Basin, California Desert, Point Reyes National Seashore, Headwaters Forest, the San Diego and Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuges, the national forests of the Sierra Nevada.

Forest Legacy Program (FLP) grants are also funded under LWCF, to help protect working forests. The FLP cost-share funding supports timber sector jobs and sustainable forest operations while enhancing wildlife habitat, water quality and recreation. For example, the FLP contributed to places such as the Jenner Headlands in Sonoma County and Chalk Mountain in Humboldt County. The FLP assists states and private forest owners to maintain working forest lands through matching grants for permanent conservation easement and fee acquisitions, and has leveraged approximately \$23 million in federal funds to invest in California's forests, while protecting air and water quality, wildlife habitat, access for recreation and other public benefits provided by forests.

LWCF state assistance grants have further supported hundreds of projects across California's state and local parks including the American River Parkway in Sacramento, Griffith Park in Los Angeles, and Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park in the Central Valley.

Economic Benefits

Active outdoor recreation is an important part of the California economy. The Outdoor Industry Association has found that active outdoor recreation supports \$92 billion in consumer spending in California, 691,000 jobs across California which generate \$30.4 billion in wages and salaries, and produces \$6.2 billion annually in state and local tax

revenue. Further, the U.S. Census reports that each year 7.4 million people hunt, fish, or enjoy wildlifewatching in California, contributing over \$8 billion in wildlife recreation spending to the state economy.



Hiker on the Pacific Crest Trail, Credit: USFS

Muir Woods NM North Fork American River Otay Mountain
*Pacific Crest NST

*Pacific NW Streams

Panoche-Coalinga ACEC Patterson Bend/Squaw Leap MA

Pechanga Historic Site Pinnacles NM

Pixley NWR Point Reyes NS

Potrero Creek

Redwood NP

Sacramento NWR

Sacramento River NWR

San Bernardino NF

San Diego NWR

San Joaquin River NWR

San Pablo Bay NWR

San Sebastian Marsh/San Felipe Creek ACEC

San Felipe Creek ACEC

Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains NM

Santa Rosa Mountains NSA/NM

Seal Beach NWR

Sequoia NF

Sequoia NP Shasta-Trinity NF

Sierra Nevada Checkerboard

Smith River NRA

South Fork Eel River Wilderness Stone Lakes NWR

Tijuana Slough NWR

Trinity NF/Trinity National WSR

Upper Sacramento River ACEC

Ventana Wilderness Western Riverside County

Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity NRA

Federal Total \$ 1,867,500,000

Forest Legacy

Program \$ 23.400.000

Habitat Conservation

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\$ 268,900,000

State & Local Program **Total State Grants**

\$ 287,600,000

Total

\$2,447,400,000



LWCF in California

Golden Gate National Recreation Area

Funding from LWCF, including \$4.1 million in FY11, \$5 million in FY10 and \$4 million in FY09, was leveraged with funding from private donations and other sources to protect the 4,262 acre Rancho Corral de Tierra. Incorporating this land into the Golden Gate National Recreation Area created a new southern gateway into the park and helped connect the Bay Area Ridge Trail with the California Coastal Trail. The project also provided permanent protection of four Coastside watersheds—Denniston, San Vicente, Montara and Martini creeks and preserved critical habitat for unique and endangered plants and animals.

Fiscal Year 2019 Agency Priority Project List for California

Agency	Project	Amount	Delegation
BLM	Headwaters National Forest Reserve	\$1,500,000	Feinstein, Harris/Huffman
BLM	Sand to Snow National Monument	\$1,000,000	Feinstein, Harris/Cook, Ruiz
BLM	Elkhorn Ridge	\$400,000	Feinstein, Harris/Huffman
FS	Sierra Nevada Checkerboard; Tahoe/El Dorado	\$2,500,000	Feinstein, Harris/LaMalfa, McClintock
FS	Trinity Divide-Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail; Shasta-Trinity	\$3,200,000	Feinstein, Harris/ Huffman, LaMalfa
FS	Sanhedrin; Mendocino	\$3,900,000	Feinstein, Harris/LaMalfa, Huffman, Garamendi
FLP	Diamond D Forest	\$4,000,000	Feinstein, Harris/Huffman

The Fiscal Year 2019 President's Budget:

The President's Fiscal Year 2019 Budget proposal would gut the Land and Water Conservation Fund, reducing the program's budget by over 100% from enacted levels. Under this proposal, no projects would be funded for federal land conservation at America's National Parks, National Forests, National Wildlife Refuges, and other public lands. State grant programs to support local recreation facilities, state parks, wildlife habitat, and other community conservation priorities would also be completely wiped out. Without robust LWCF funding in FY 2019, California's conservation and outdoor recreation needs could be put on hold or lost forever.



Big Morongo Canyon Preserve Credit: Moiave Desert Land Trust