

Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Grant Program

California Streets and Highways Code Section 164.56

Administered by the California Natural Resources Agency
(Agency)
Bonds and Grants Unit



Program Overview

Authority

- Established by legislation in 1989 under California Streets and Highways Code Section 164.56.

Source

- Highway Users Tax Account (Motor Vehicle Revenues, Section 2100).

Amount

- \$7 million

Purpose

- Grants to local, state and federal governmental agencies and nonprofit organizations for projects to mitigate the environmental impacts caused by new or modified public transportation facilities

Statutory geographic distribution goal

- 60% to North; 40% South

Project Categories

- Urban Forestry projects to offset vehicular emissions of carbon dioxide.
- Resource Lands projects to acquire or enhance resource lands to mitigate the loss of, or detriment to, resource lands, lying within or near the right-of-way acquired for transportation improvements.
- Mitigation Projects Beyond the Scope of the Lead Agency responsible for assessing the environmental impact of the proposed transportation improvement.
- Acquisition or Development



Related Transportation Facility

- Projects must mitigate, either directly or indirectly, the environmental impacts of the modification of an existing Transportation Facility or construction of a new Transportation Facility. (Where construction began after Jan 1, 1990 or if not yet under construction - must be fully funded)
- Transportation Facilities
 - ❖ Public Street or Highway
 - ❖ Mass Transit Guideway (ports, train and bus lines, airports)
 - ❖ On and Off Ramps, Overpasses

Butte County Department of Public Works Ord Ferry Bridge Bat Colony Restoration Project



Land Trust of Santa Cruz County Highway 17 Wildlife Connectivity Project

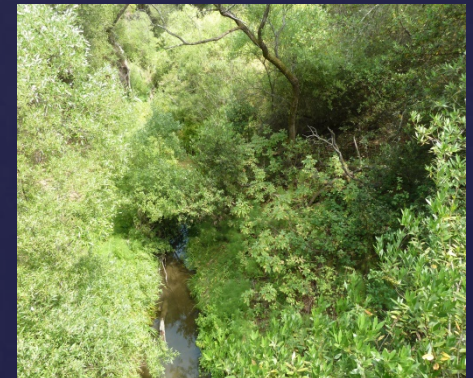


Contra Costa Resource Conservation District Pinole Creek Fish Passage Enhancements at I-80 Culverts

Before



After



City of Visalia Urban Forest Expansion Project

Before



After



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