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NOTICE**SMMC Proposition 1 and Proposition 68 Grant Cycles
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The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) is pleased to announce the grant cycles for Proposition 1 and Proposition 68 grants are open.

The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 (Proposition 1) is codified as Division 26.7 of the Water Code. Proposition 1 authorizes \$7.545 billion in general obligation bonds for state water projects, including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection. The SMMC's Proposition 1 Competitive Grant Program Guidelines specifically pertain to competitive grants for multi-benefit ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects pursuant to Water Code Section 79731(h), and for projects to protect and enhance an urban creek pursuant to Water Code Section 79735(a).

The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) is codified as Division 45 of the Public Resources Code. Proposition 68 authorizes \$4 billion in general obligation bonds to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access program. The SMMC's Proposition 68 Competitive Grant Program Guidelines specifically pertain to grants to protect and enhance and urban creek pursuant to Chapter 7 of Proposition 68 and for projects in accordance with the governing statutes of the SMMC pursuant to Chapter 8 of Proposition 68.

Potential grantees must contact staff at grants@smmc.ca.gov and discuss potential applications prior to submittal to allow staff to provide guidance through the application process. It is recommended that potential grantees go through the scoring criteria line by line while drafting applications to ensure all potential scoring opportunities are addressed in the project narrative. It is the burden of the potential grantee to make the case for receiving available points in the scoring criteria.

The SMMC Proposition 1 and Proposition 68 Grant Guidelines, Grant Application Form and other important information regarding SMMC grant programs is available at:

www.smmc.ca.gov

Applications are due by Friday at 5:00 p.m., August 30, 2019 and may be emailed to grants@smmc.ca.gov or delivered at the following address:

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Various tools for calculating Green House Gas Emission benefits can be found at the Air Resources Board website and <http://www.coolcalifornia.org/article/climate-calculators>. Other tools and calculators may be accepted with sufficient explanation and justification provided.

Grants which meet the guideline requirements will be submitted to the SMMC board for final award at the earliest date possible. The Executive Director may expedite or delay applications as necessary.