

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Innovative Finance & Asset Concession (IFAC) Grant Program

Deadline: October 1, 2025 | *US Department of Transportation*

Assists eligible public entities in facilitating & evaluating public-private partnerships & exploring opportunities for innovative financing & delivery for eligible transportation infrastructure projects, including highway, transit, passenger rail, certain freight facilities, certain port projects, rural infrastructure projects, airports, & transit-oriented development projects. A significant focus of the IFAC is to identify Existing Assets that have the potential to provide additional public benefits through asset concessions.

Midsize & Large Drinking Water System Infrastructure Resilience & Sustainability Program

Deadline: October 6, 2025 | *US Environmental Protection Agency*

Assists medium & large size public water systems with protecting drinking water sources from natural hazards, extreme weather events, & cybersecurity threats. Eligible applicants include public water systems that serve a population of 10,000 people or more.

Native American Affairs: Technical Assistance to Tribes FY 2025

Deadline: October 28, 2025 | *US Department of Interior*

Provides financial & technical assistance to federally recognized Tribes. The objective of this NOFO is to invite federally recognized Tribes to submit proposals for financial assistance for projects & activities that develop, manage, & protect their water & water related resources.

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) Grants for Tribes & Intertribal Consortia

Deadline: December 12, 2025 | *US Environmental Protection Agency*

Assists local waste management authorities by supporting improvements to local post-consumer materials management, including municipal recycling programs, & assisting local waste management authorities in making improvements to local waste management systems. SWIFR will support an economy that uses a systems-focused approach & involves industrial processes & economic activities that are restorative or regenerative by design, enables resources used in such processes & activities to maintain their highest value for as long as possible, & aims for the elimination of waste through the superior design of materials, products, & systems (including business models).

2025 Wildfire & Forest Resilience Directed Grant Program

Deadline: January 31, 2026 | *Sierra Nevada Conservancy*

The primary focus of this Program is protecting people & communities. California's Wildfire & Forest Resilience Action Plan: A Comprehensive Strategy identifies three goals that are strongly aligned with SNC's Watershed Improvement Plan: healthy & resilient natural places, safe communities, & sustainable economies. This Program aims to support projects that result in a combination of multiple watershed, ecosystem, & community benefits.

Small Surface Water and Groundwater Storage Projects (Small Storage Program)

Deadline: April 17, 2026 | *US Department of Interior*

Enhances water storage opportunities for future generations by funding small surface water & groundwater storage projects. The program funds up to a 25% Federal cost-share to plan, design, & construct surface & groundwater storage projects between 200 to 30,000 acre-feet that will increase water storage or move water to or from a storage project.

Regional Forest & Fire Capacity Program

Rolling pre-application process described [here](#) | *California State Coastal Conservancy*

The RFFC is focused on awarding grants to build a pipeline of implementation-ready wildfire resilience projects from Marin to Ventura. Wildfire resilience projects supported in this program include a range of vegetation management strategies that reduce risk of wildfire while also improving ecosystem function, such as forest thinning, prescribed burning, prescribed grazing, re-establishment of native, & creation of shaded fuel breaks.

FY2025 Disaster Supplemental Grant Program for CYs 2023 & 2024

Application deadlines vary | Check California eligibility for winter storm disaster areas [here](#)

U.S. Economic Development Administration

U.S. EDA is making \$1.45 billion available on a nationwide competitive basis to support economic recovery in areas with major disaster declarations from hurricanes, wildfires, severe storms, flooding, tornadoes, & other natural disasters that occurred in calendar years 2023 & 2024, a period of winter storms which affected many California counties.

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Cal OES' INF RSF Team provides funding research to support local infrastructure recovery & resilience. If you have experienced a natural disaster, have unmet infrastructure recovery needs, & would like to be connected to assistance programs, please fill out our [intake form](#).



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (TA)



North Coast Resource Partnership (NCRP) Request for TA Proposals: Available TA to Tribes & economically disadvantaged communities to support project development & grant applications for projects that improve forest health, increase wildfire resilience, & help communities & ecosystems adapt to climate change. TA may include project & grant development, including activities that directly support grant applications such as design/planning, site assessment, mapping, GIS analysis, permitting, environmental compliance, project benefits quantification, & cost estimates.

- **Proposals are reviewed & awards are considered quarterly: February 1, May 1, August 1, November 1.**
- **Tribal applicants:** please contact Sherri Norris (sherri@cieaweb.org, 510-848-2043) & Javier Silva (jsilva9806@gmail.com)
- **Non-Tribal applicants:** please contact Rose Roberts (rroberts@northcoastresourcepartnership.org)

EVENTS + WEBINARS



Water Resources Science Symposium: Join DWR at the inaugural Water Resources Science Symposium, a new annual event designed to share knowledge & foster collaboration across the water resources community. This year's theme, "Science Drives Our Decision-Making," will highlight key decisions informed by scientific research, tools & partnerships, & explore emerging topics & challenges in water management.

- **September 23, 2025 from 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM**
- This is a free event, but registration is required as space is limited.
- Hosted by California Department of Water Resources

Water Summit 2025: The Water Education Foundation's premier event of the year, with leading policymakers & experts addressing critical water issues in California & across the West. Conversations will revolve around this year's theme, Embracing Uncertainty in the West, with a focus on how to move forward with critical decisions despite myriad unknowns facing the West's most precious natural resource.

- **October 1, 2025 from 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM**
- The Sawyer Hotel, 500 J Street, Sacramento
- [Register Here](#)
- Hosted by the Water Education Foundation

2025 EPIC Symposium: You are invited to attend the 11th Annual EPIC Symposium. This free event is hosted by the California Energy Commission (CEC) & the state's three largest electric investor-owned utilities. Learn how EPIC-funded solutions are helping enable greater affordability & energy equity, increase battery safety, improve vehicle charging, & accelerate decarbonization and grid modernization. Connect with clean energy leaders, policy makers, researchers, entrepreneurs, & enthusiasts to discuss the latest in clean energy innovations!

- **Tuesday, Oct 7, 2025 from 8:45 AM - 5:00 PM**
- Organized by CEC, Pacific Gas and Electric Co., Southern California Edison Co., & San Diego Gas & Electric Co

TOOLS + RESOURCES



Tribal Climate Change Funding Guide (TCCFG): Provides up-to-date information on grants, programs & plans that may assist federally & non-federally recognized tribes in addressing climate change through a broad range of sectors.

Green Infrastructure Funding & Technical Assistance (TA) Opportunities: Lack of funding is consistently cited as a barrier to implementing green infrastructure. However, because green infrastructure projects offer multiple benefits, they can qualify for a variety of federal, nonprofit, & local funding sources. TA programs can help communities prepare & apply for this unprecedented funding. See the US EPA's website to learn more about funding sources, TA programs, & how to obtain funding.

Flood Funding Finder: The American Flood Coalition created the Flood Funding Finder—a first-of-its-kind, interactive website—to simplify the complex federal grants system & to help small communities identify and prioritize opportunities to fund flood resilience.

