



- **Grant Opportunities**

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Upcoming Grant Opportunities

WaterSmart Grants – Bureau of Reclamation

- Applicable to recharge project improvements, SGMA compliance, Lake Davis transfer
- Apply now when matching funds are available

SWEEP Grants – California Department of Food and Agriculture

- Applicable to Irrigation Efficiency Projects
- Concept proposals are being accepted now

Stream Flow Enhancement – Wildlife Conservation Board

- Applicable to dry well/recharge project improvements
- Applications accepted now through June 2027

Other Grant Opportunities

- Prop 4 – end of 2026
- Continuing to research/evaluate other opportunities

Water Smart Grant Opportunities – Bureau of Reclamation

Grant Program Category	Possible Projects	Submittal Deadlines	Funding Range
Drought Response	Improved water storage, water source diversification Lake near wetlands, dry well?	July 28, 2026	\$25,000 - \$1,500,000
Applied Science	SGMA compliance (Data management, Irrigation efficiency evaluation through soil moisture/ET, model updates), Lake Davis transfer – water supply forecasting and water delivery optimization	July 8, 2026	\$400,000 maximum
Small Scale Water Efficiency (lower priority)	Flow monitoring, Irrigation efficiency	June 2, 2026	\$1,000- \$125,000

SWEEP Grant Opportunities – CDFA

- Project Types -Upgrades to on-farm infrastructure – irrigation efficiency project improvements
- Available Funding – 2-4 millions, SVGMD would manage funds and disbursement to individual farms/ranches
- 80% of funds are for farmers/ranchers, 20% for SVGMD for administration
- Application process straight forward
 - Concept proposal opens April 2026 → need to submit as soon as possible
 - Technical Review Committee scores concept proposals - May/June 2026
 - Full Proposal (Phase 2) due -July/Aug 2026
 - Award announcements - Fall 2026
 - Grant agreement execution Late 2026 / Early 2027
 - Grant term – 2-4 years from execution depending on projects

Stream Flow Enhancement – Wildlife Conservation Board

- Project Types – Recharge Project Enhancement – Dry well; Lake near wetlands, general benefit to wetlands
 - *Fund projects that change the amount, timing, and/or quality of water flowing in a stream to benefit fish and wildlife*
 - *Implementation projects with measurable stream flow increases*
 - *Acquisition projects resulting in permanent or long-term in-stream flow dedications*
 - *Projects completing previously funded work; scientific studies evaluating stream flow conditions*
- Available Funding – \$30,000,000 total available;
- Dry well - \$80,000-\$100,000; Lake near wetlands - ~\$250,000 -\$300,000
- Application process
 - Meet with WCB staff to ensure project meets WCB goals
 - Preproposal application can be submitted anytime
 - Submit full application
- Wildlife Corridor and Fish Enhancement program may also be applicable

Lake Project Concept

