

SHARE:



[Join Our Email List](#)



Central Coast Climate Resilience Practitioners:

Read the 4C newsletter for the latest in Central Coast climate news and events.

Please consider joining 4C! To view our rate structure, click [here](#). Membership dues are waived for social / environmental justice organizations.

4C Newsletter May 2022

In Climate News...

Coastal Conservancy Strategic Plan: The **State Coastal Conservancy** has kicked off its **2023-2027 Strategic Plan update** and will be seeking input over the next six months and would like to hear your thoughts about your experience working on coastal projects; your priorities around coastal resilience and public access; and how we can do work to make our programs and

resources more accessible to a wider audience. Please share your thoughts by **May 31, 2022** in the [brief survey here](#). Enter your project ideas into our [mapping tool](#). View our introductory overview [webinar recording](#). All Strategic Plan update information can be found here: scc.ca.gov/plan. 4C members will be invited to participate in a special focus group meeting this month on coastal resilience funding priorities for the Central Coast.

New Research on Extreme Heat: As temperatures continue to rise, The UCLA Luskin Center for Innovation continues to inform heat planning, legislative, and budget decisions. A new [policy brief](#), funded by Resources Legacy Fund, recommends how California can put people and equity at the forefront of its extreme heat planning and investments. [More information here](#)

California State Parks Free Pass Program: Have you been itching for adventure? If so, we have great news -- you can now "check out" a free pass to California State Parks at your local public library! The First Partner's Office and the California State Library have partnered to bring safe and equitable access to state parks and open spaces for all Californians with a library card. The pass allows one passenger vehicle of nine or fewer or one state licensed motorcycle free entry to over 200 parks across the state. As an added bonus, it will connect communities with their local libraries. This would be a great way to do some research on which park you and your family would like to visit! You can look [here](#) for more information and to see which parks are participating.

[2022 California Municipal Guide](#) : See this new guide/contact information for each city in California.

Job & Funding Opportunities

Regional Climate Collaboratives Program (RCC): The Strategic Growth Council is excited to share the Notice of Funding Availability for the Regional Climate Collaboratives Program is now available. The

announcement provides more details, including links to the NOFA, final guidelines, pre-proposal form, and workshop registration. Please help share this opportunity widely! [More information here.](#)

OPC: Coastal Habitats Program Manager: The California Ocean Protection Council (OPC) is hiring an Environmental Scientist to help lead its efforts to conserve coastal watersheds and habitats, including wetlands, eelgrass, beaches, dunes, and rocky intertidal. The Environmental Scientist will advance these strategic priorities in coordination with OPC staff, state and federal agencies, Tribes, local governments, scientists, non-profits, community members and others. The Environmental Scientist will also be responsible for grant and contract management including developing scopes of work and budgets, tracking deliverables, and coordinating with grantees. The Environmental Scientist will also provide additional support and capacity for OPC's other strategic priorities, as needed. [More information on OPC Grant Proposal Solicitations here.](#)

Environmental Program Officer- Thriving Communities:

As an Environmental Program Officer, you are responsible for taking a strategic approach to the development, research, implementation, and execution of Patagonia's environmental funding programs with an emphasis on civic engagement, environmental justice and underrepresented communities in the environmental movement and outdoor industry. Your role focuses on fostering relationships with prospective and ongoing grantees, strategic development and execution of relevant programs and funding initiatives, and engaging employees as key stakeholders throughout the grantmaking process.

Cannabis Restoration Grant Program: Proposals to enhance watersheds and communities should solicit funds for, but not limited to: road decommissioning, road crossing upgrades, erosion and sediment delivery prevention actions, culvert upgrades, water conservation, cleanup and remediation of impacts of illicit cannabis operations on private lands, and/or enhancing biodiversity and wildlife habitat within watersheds, among other projects of similar nature. [More information here.](#)

Local Coastal Program Non-Competitive Grant Applications: The Coastal Commission is offering rolling grant funding to support local government coastal resiliency efforts. Funds may be used for projects that are designed to assist local governments in assessing impacts and planning for coastal resiliency, including adapting to the impacts of climate change and sea level rise, and which contain an LCP planning component. Local governments responsible for developing and amending LCPs under the California Coastal Act are eligible to apply. [More information here.](#)

The USC Sea Grant Program is seeking an experienced outreach professional to lead coastal resilience extension efforts. The Extension Specialist will serve an integral role in interpreting and disseminating Sea Grant research findings on coastal and climate change issues, working with a wide range of entities in the regional AdaptLA program, and developing new outreach programs to meet the information needs of local, state and federal agencies, and interest groups. [Apply here.](#)

NEP Coastal Watersheds Program: Restore America's Estuaries is pleased to announce the 2022 NEP Coastal Watersheds Grant. RAE will select grantees through a two-step process: 1) letters of intent (LOI); and 2) full proposals by invitation only. LOIs are due on **Friday, May 27, 2022**. Only projects occurring within the specified geographic eligibility areas may receive funding. [More information here.](#)

Find more funding resources [here](#)

Events & Webinars

CDFW 2022 Endangered Species Conservation and Recovery Habitat Conservation Planning Assistance Grant Program: The Endangered Species Habitat Conservation Planning Assistance (HCPA) Grant Program provides funding to states and territories for tasks necessary in the planning, amendment, or renewal phases of an HCP, such as baseline surveys and inventories, preparation of planning and environmental documents, and outreach. The Service will consider Proposals supporting efforts to amend and renew existing HCPs or HCP/NCCPs. [More information here.](#)

Transferable Strategies for Coastal Resilience Projects: Best Practices and Lessons Learned | Thursday, May 26, 2022 |

1:00pm to 2:00pm | The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) commissioned ERG to gather and share best practices from coastal resilience practitioners on enhancing implementation of coastal resilience efforts across the United States. The project encompassed review of more than 100 source documents including NFWF grant project reports and peer-reviewed literature, as well as interviews with resilience practitioners. ERG used their research findings to develop eight case studies documenting successful projects throughout the country. The case studies highlight transferrable strategies for resilience projects ranging from conducting ongoing monitoring of the project site to leveraging resources to build local capacity to testing novel approaches. This webinar is designed to help resilience practitioners learn about solutions and approaches from teams implementing these projects. Sharing of best practices and lessons learned will focus on partnership building, outreach and engagement, and highlight adaptive management transferrable strategies. [Register Here.](#)

EPA Nonpoint Source Program Conversation with Community Organizations | May 24-25, 2022 | Please join the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for one of the last two listening sessions May 24th and May 25th, focused on equity and inclusion in the National Nonpoint Source (NPS) program. This discussion will cover anyone who is a subgrantee or is considering applying for an NPS Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 319 grant. This listening session will provide an overview of the NPS program and the Justice40 initiative, updates on EPA's efforts to incorporate the Justice40 initiative into its NPS program, and a facilitated discussion with subgrantees. This discussion aims to understand the challenges facing environmental justice communities, Tribes, and Indigenous communities, how these challenges impact NPS programs working within these communities, and how EPA can help address these challenges through action in the CWA Section 319 programs. [Register Here.](#)

OPC Prop 68 Solicitation Webinar: The California Ocean Protection Council (OPC) is pleased to announce the release of a solicitation for projects that build resilience on the coast to prepare for and adapt to the impacts of sea-level rise. Specific project types include research-based projects that focus on coastal habitat mapping, contaminated sites, and socio-economic impacts, and implementation projects that work to provide resilience to climate change through restoration and/or habitat enhancement. OPC anticipates having \$9.5 million to distribute through this round of funding, and letters of intent are due to prop68@resources.ca.gov on **June 13, 2022.** [Register Here.](#)

Restore America's Estuaries and Eastern Research Group: Join us for the May installment of our Coastal Resilience Webinar Series. This month's event will highlight a comprehensive study of completed by ERG on behalf of the [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation \(NFWF\)](#) that culminated in [eight case studies of successful resilience projects](#).

Equity-Centered Local Climate Action Planning | Thursday, May 26, 2022 | 1:00pm to 2:00pm PT | This panel of experts will discuss best practices in taking an equity-centered approach to local climate action planning, from meaningful and inclusive stakeholder engagement at the earliest stages through prioritizing bold yet achievable strategies, to implementation and ensuring accountability to all impacted communities. [Register Here](#)

In case you missed it...

[39th Annual Salmonid Restoration Conference](#) [ICARP May Revise Newsletter](#)

On-going webinar series

- [CA Natural Resources Agency Secretary Speaker Series](#)
- [UC Davis Climate Adaptation Research Center: Climate Adaptation Series All Available on Demand](#)

Why join 4C?

Benefits of Membership include:

- Network with climate leaders and practitioners in the Central Coast region
- Exchange knowledge re: best practices, replicable strategies, and innovative solutions on climate mitigation and adaptation
- Support for regional grant funding proposals and initiatives
- Find up-to-date climate change news, resources, opportunities, events
- Engage to align state, regional, and local efforts: research and applied science, policies, programs, plans, and projects
- Expand leadership and awareness on equitable climate action and adaptive solutions
- Participate in working groups
- We offer membership reciprocity with other select climate groups. See [our site for more info](#), or reach out to the email address below.
- We have a sliding scale for membership dues depending on size and type of organization. Social and environmental justice groups join for free!

See [Membership Form](#) for details.
Questions or feedback? Email us: centralcoastclimate@gmail.com
For past 4C newsletters see [here](#).

[Central Coast Climate Collaborative](#)