



## **From the Desk of Caitlin Williams**

Hi Team,

Just a quick update from Washington, D.C.—

This week, I had the opportunity to meet with the office of Congresswoman Nanette Barragán to discuss federal grants and the importance of continued access to competitive funding opportunities for cities, school districts, and public agencies throughout California. Congresswoman Barragán's team confirmed they are happy to provide letters of support for eligible projects, and we can assist in coordinating those requests as needed.

In addition to our discussion, we reviewed upcoming state-level funding streams, including Prop 2, which will bring billions in funding for school facility improvements and modernization, and Prop 4, which includes significant investments in water and climate infrastructure.

The great news is that federal funding has been approved for several key programs, allowing the State of California to move forward with releasing Notices of Funding Availability (NOFAs) and soliciting applications. We discussed the following federally funded grant opportunities:

### **California Department of Parks and Recreation: Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)**

**Deadline:** August 5, 2025

**Amount:** Up to \$6 million

Provides up to \$6 million in funding for the acquisition or development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities.

[https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=21360](https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=21360)

### **Cal OES: Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)**

**Deadline:** Rolling deadline for NOI, until 5/29/2025

**Amount:** Project max is unspecified. \$150,000 for single jurisdiction plan, \$250,000 for multi-jurisdiction plan.

Offers planning grants of \$150,000–\$250,000 to develop hazard mitigation strategies that reduce disaster risk.

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### **Cal Parks: Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP)**

**Deadline:** TBD Winter 2026

**Amount:** Maximum: \$15 million per application, Minimum: \$300,000 per application

Funds urban park and recreation projects in underserved communities.

[https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=30578](https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=30578)

### **USDOT: Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)**

**Deadline:** June 26, 2025

**Amount:** \$100,000 to \$25 million

**Match:** Yes 20%

Supports local roadway safety plans and implementation projects with grants from \$100,000 to \$25 million and a 20% local match requirement.

<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/SS4A>

### **USDOT FHA: Bridge Investment Program**

**Deadlines:**

- August 1, 2025 for Large Bridge Projects minimum \$2.5M
- October 1, 2025 for Planning Grants (FY '26 funding).
- November 1, 2025 for Bridge Projects minimum \$50M

**Amount:** \$2.5-100M

The Bridge Investment Program is a competitive, discretionary program that focuses on existing bridges to reduce the overall number of bridges in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition.

<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/bip/>

As part of our continued efforts to stay current on the federal grants landscape, I'll be holding ongoing meetings with Congressional offices and federal agencies in the coming weeks. These conversations help us stay informed about program timelines, updates, and agency communications—so we can better support our clients with up-to-date information.

Please look out for these weekly DC updates from me as I share insights from the Capitol and provide relevant grant-related news from the federal level.

Thank you,

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