



Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction

Created as a result of the adoption of the 2012 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) (PDF), the Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction Program (SCFRRP) is a local assistance program whose objective is to reduce flood risk for small communities protected by State Plan of Flood Control facilities, as well as for legacy communities. Small communities are defined in the CVFPP as developed areas with between 200 and 10,000 residents. The Urban Flood Risk Reduction Program works to improve flood protection for urban areas (greater than 10,000 residents) associated with the State Plan of Flood Control (SPFC) facilities.

Eligibility

To be eligible, communities must:

- Be protected by SPFC facilities
- Be within the [Levee Flood Protection Zone](#)
- Have land use authority

Projects must both:

- Rehabilitate, reconstruct, or replace SPFC facilities
- Be consistent with CVFPP goals and objectives

Funding

SCFRRP funding is being delivered in multiple phases. In the first phase, we awarded funds to complete feasibility studies of structural and nonstructural flood risk reduction projects. We'll award funds to design and implement projects in subsequent phases.

Projects are cost shared between local communities and the State. Minimum State cost-share is 50 percent. This share can increase based on the project's commitment to:

- Multi-benefit objectives
- Increased protection for State facilities
- Increased flood protection for disadvantaged communities

Communities to Receive Funding from Phase 1--Feasibility Study PSP

Community	Applicant	Funding Status
Durham	Butte County	Approved
Nord	Butte County	Approved
Richvale	Butte County	Approved
Isleton	City of Isleton	Approved
Rio Vista	City of Rio Vista	Approved
Wheatland	City of Wheatland	Approved
Colusa	Colusa County	Approved
Grimes	Colusa County	Approved
Princeton	Colusa County	Approved
Butte City	Glenn County	Approved
Upper Lake	Lake County	Approved
Franklin Beachwood	Merced County	Approved
Courtland	Sacramento County	Approved
Hood	Sacramento County	Approved

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Locke	Sacramento County	Approved
Walnut Grove East	Sacramento County	Approved
Walnut Grove West & Ryde	Sacramento County	Approved
Banta	San Joaquin County	Approved
French Camp	San Joaquin County	Approved
Kasson	San Joaquin County	Approved
Morada	San Joaquin County	Approved
Stoneridge	San Joaquin County	Approved
Wheatherbee Island	San Joaquin County	Approved
Grayson	Stanislaus County	Approved
Meridian	Sutter County	Approved
Nicolaus	Sutter County	Approved
Rio Oso	Sutter County	Approved
Robbins	Sutter County	Approved
Sutter	Sutter County	Approved
Tudor	Sutter County	Approved
Gerber	Tehama County	Approved
Vina	Tehama County	Approved
Clarksburg	Yolo County	Approved
Knight's Landing	Yolo County	Approved
Yolo	Yolo County	Approved
Firebaugh	City of Firebaugh	Not Approved
Verona	Sutter County	Not Approved

Communities to Receive Funding from Phase 2--Design and Implementation

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is pleased to announce the final awards list for the Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction (SCFRR) Program (Phase 2) funding awards. DWR released the Phase 2 SCFRR Program Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) on December 5, 2019, to solicit proposals for design and implementation of flood risk reduction projects. The eligibility criteria for Phase 2 funding required that an applicant must have submitted a Phase 1 SCFRR Program funded draft feasibility study to DWR before the Phase 2 PSP application deadline (February 3, 2020). DWR received five Phase 2 applications. Three out of the five submitted projects were recommended to receive funding. The 15-day public comment period for the draft recommended award list closed on June 8, 2020.

An overview of each project finalized to receive Phase 2 SCFRR Program funding awards is provided below.

1. Franklin-Beachwood - Recommended funding: up to \$9,708,638. The Black Rascal Creek Flood Control Project, sponsored by Merced County, would construct a 300-acre detention basin, increasing flood protection from 50-year to 100-year flood levels for over 6,000 residents in the surrounding community, plus an additional 79,000 residents in the disadvantaged portions of the City of Merced. This will result in a reduction in expected annual damages of \$21 million and a reduction in annual flood insurance costs to almost 2,000 policies.
2. Knights Landing - Recommended funding: up to \$15,866,400. Sponsored by Yolo County and implementing levee improvements in the area will increase flood protection from 25-year to 100-year flood levels for over 1,000 residents and contribute to flood risk reduction for the remaining parts of the Knights Landing Basin. Approximately 200 annual flood insurance policies will see reductions in costs.

3. Grimes - Recommended funding: up to \$3,024,962. This project, sponsored by the Sacramento River West Side Levee District, includes remediation of 1.5 miles of Sacramento River levees and elevation of local residences to increase flood protection from 40-year to 100-year levels for almost 400 residents in the community of Grimes. Additionally, this project will contribute to flood risk reduction for downstream communities in Colusa and Yolo Counties, resulting in a reduction in expected annual damages of \$2.2 million and a reduction in annual flood insurance costs for almost 350 policies.

Disclaimer: The Final Award is estimated and conditional until final terms and conditions are agreed upon and an agreement has been executed. The awarded grant amount listed in the executed agreement can be less than the Final Award amount listed here based upon final negotiations between the Awardee and DWR. An "Award Notification Letter" will be mailed shortly to the successful applicants (awardees) listing the conditions that must be met before DWR will enter into a Grant Agreement with the awardee and additional requirements that must be addressed to maintain eligibility to receive grant funds.
