ACCG Funding Coordination Work Group Action Items

December 8, 2020

Meeting Brief:

* Richard Sykes shared the Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority (UMRWA) has been invited by the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) to submit a full proposal for NEPA for National Forest system lands in the Mokelumne River watershed within the ACCG focus area. Richard shared that the proposal will include NEPA planning for approximately 20,000 acres. The total grant request to SNC is expected to be approximately $150,000 and includes an additional $50,000 in matching contributions from UMRWA. Richard expects to begin consultation with the ACCG in January at its meeting.
* The group reviewed and discussed the revised list of potential-SNC stimulus funding projects. Additional refinements were made to reflect projects proposed by the meeting participants. The group discussed its interest in adding more detailed information about the location and nature of each project.
* The group reviewed the SNC’s list of current funding opportunities, and also briefly discussed the California Department of Fish and Wildlife’s (CDFW’s) draft Proposition 1 grant guidelines and the USFS Wood Innovations grant program.
* Regine Miller shared that CHIPS’ can create a Funding Coordination WG page on the website, where a list of current and upcoming funding opportunities will be posted, as the group discussed at it November meeting.
* The next meeting is set for Tuesday, January 12th from 3pm to 4pm by Zoom.

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| **ACTION ITEM** | **RESPONSIBLE PARTIES** |
| Contact Calaveras PUD, Alpine Biomass Collaborative and Save the Redwoods to review their respective projects included on the list of potential SNC-stimulus funding projects. | Regine |
| Calaveras County Water District will send Regine additional potential projects to include on the project list. | Michael Minkler  Jessica Self  Brad Arnold |
| Check with Chuck Loffland to determine if any of the proposed work in Foster Firs, Lost Horse, Scottiago, and/or View 88 is within the Mokelumne River watershed. | Regine |
| Identify where on a map the projects on BLM land are located. | Liz  Regine |
| Work with Tania Carlone and Megan Layhee to estimate when the Planning WG expects to generate a list of Category 1 (non-controversial) projects (planning or implementation) that are in need of funding. | Regine |
| Ask CDFW how the forthcoming Proposition 1 funds will be allocated by treatment activity. | Richard |
| Distribute the draft CDFW Proposition 1 guidelines and the USFS Wood Innovations Request for Proposals to the group. | Regine |
| Create a page on the ACCG website that lists current and upcoming funding opportunities, similar in nature to SNC’s grant newsletter. | CHIPS |
| Present a legislative budget update at the work groups’ January meeting. | Michael Pickard |

Meeting Participants:

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| Name | Affiliation | Time  (Hours) |
| Michael Minkler | Calaveras County Water District | 1.0 |
| Jessica Self | Calaveras County Water District | 1.0 |
| Brad Arnold | Calaveras County Water District | 1.0 |
| Rich Farrington | Amador Water Agency/Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority | 1.0 |
| Liz Myer-Shields | Bureau of Land Management | 1.0 |
| Richard Sykes | Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority | 1.0 |
| Karen Quidachay | Landmark Environmental | 1.0 |
| Thurman Roberts | Sierra Nevada Alliance/Calaveras Healthy Impact Product Solutions | 1.0 |
| Carinna Robertson | Calaveras Ranger District | 1.0 |
| Regine Miller | Calaveras Healthy Impact Product Solutions | 1.0 |