California Natural Resources Agency



Urban greening transforms the built environment into parks and places that are more sustainable, enjoyable, and effective in creating healthy communities.

Eligible applicants: city, county, special district, nonprofit organization, JPAs

75% of funds available to projects located in, and that provide benefits to, disadvantaged communities (pursuant to SB 535)



Project Types

Greening of existing public lands and structures, including schools



Urban trails that provide safe routes



Green streets and alleys that integrate green infrastructure elements





Greenhouse Gas Reductions

All projects must reduce greenhouse gas emissions by including at least one of the following components:

- 1. Tree planting to sequester carbon
- 2. Tree planting to shade buildings to reduce building energy use
- 3. Constructing bicycle paths, bicycle lanes, or pedestrian facilities to reduce vehicle miles travelled.

Examples of Project Benefits

Sequester carbon

Reduce energy consumption

Reduce car trips

Create opportunities for walking, biking, and recreating

Provide shade and cooling

Improve air and water quality

Capture stormwater

Create habitat

Next steps



Urban Greening Round 1 – \$76 million/ Greenhouse Gas Reduction FundSolicitation now closed
Awards anticipated Oct/Nov 2017

Urban Greening Round 2 -- ~25 million/ Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund

Existing guidelines will be updated with AB 1550 requirements and will use CalEnviroscreen 3.0 for the next round.

New solicitation to come in 2018.

Contacts:



More information at --

http://resources.ca.gov/grants/
(Sign up for our email list serve.)

<u>UrbanGreening@resources.ca.gov</u>

Grants Office: (916) 653-2812