

SAN DIEGO RIVER CONSERVANCY

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MEMORANDUM FOR: GRANT APPLICANTS
SUBJECT: NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)
FROM: SAN DIEGO RIVER CONSERVANCY
RE: WILDFIRE EARLY ACTION PLAN

On April 13, 2021, the Governor signed SB 85 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review), which amends the 2020-21 Budget Act to provide additional funding for various wildfire and forest resilience activities. This wildfire package enables the state to take urgent action on projects that support wildfire suppression, improve forest health and build resilience in communities to help protect residents and property from catastrophic wildfires in diverse landscapes across the state.

Funding through the Wildfire Early Action Plan allocated \$12 million to the San Diego River Conservancy to support projects that restore the ecological health of forests and watersheds, fuel breaks around vulnerable communities, statewide fire prevention grants targeting projects to advance community hardening, and improvements to defensible space to mitigate wildfire damage.

Eligible applicants include:

- Public Agencies
- Nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status
- Federally-Recognized Indian Tribes or Tribes on the list maintained by the Native American Heritage Commission

Projects must meet at least one of the goals of [California's Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan](#), including but not limited to:

- Fuels Reduction or Forest Thinning Projects
- Vegetation Management
- Prescribed Fire
- Shaded Fuel Breaks or Defensible Space projects
- Restoration and enhancement of fire-prone habitats using methods known to reduce fire risk

Email application to Dustin Harrison Dustin.Harrison@sdrc.ca.gov and Julia Richards Julia.Richards@sdrc.ca.gov **as soon as possible**.

To obtain an application, you may download a [PDF](#) or [Word Doc](#)