



May 14, 2025

Honorable Scott D. Wiener, Chair  
Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee

Attention: Elisa Wynne, Staff Director

Honorable Jesse Gabriel, Chair  
Assembly Budget Committee

Attention: Christian Griffith, Chief Consultant

**Amendment to Various Budget Bill Items, Support, Secretary for Transportation Agency**

**California Office of Traffic Safety Federal Grants Workload**—It is requested that Item 0521-001-0042 be increased by \$42,000 and 0.5 positions ongoing, Item 0521-001-0044 be increased by \$14,000 and 0.2 positions ongoing, Item 0521-001-0046 be increased by \$14,000 and 0.2 positions ongoing, and Item 0521-001-0890 be increased by \$801,000 and 2.1 positions ongoing. These resources will support the increase in workload related to additional federal grants issued to the California Office of Traffic Safety by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The effect of my requested action is reflected on the attachment.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please call James Moore, Principal Program Budget Analyst, at (916) 322-2263.

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**Amendment to and Addition of Various Budget Bill Items, Support and Local Assistance,  
California Natural Resources Agency**

**Gregory Bateson Building Rent Increase**—It is requested that Item 0540-001-0140 be increased by \$328,000 in fiscal year 2025-26, \$340,000 in 2026-27, and \$380,000 ongoing to support increased rental costs at the newly renovated Gregory Bateson Building.

**Proposition 68 Statewide Bond Costs**—It is requested that Item 0540-001-6088 be increased by \$346,000 and 2 positions ongoing to assist departments with spatial data reporting and support contract resources to make upgrades to existing bond systems that will improve tracking and reporting of bond outcomes (see Attachment 1).

**Climate Bond (Proposition 4): Implementation Positions**—It is requested that Item 0540-001-6093 be increased by 3 positions ongoing and Item 0540-002-6093 be increased by 3 positions ongoing to support the effective implementation of various California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) programs included in the Climate Bond.

**Climate Bond (Proposition 4): Statewide Bond Costs**—It is requested that Item 0540-003-6093 be added in the amount of \$562,000 in 2025-26, \$667,000 in 2026-27, \$853,000 in 2027-28, \$868,000 in 2028-29, and \$882,000 ongoing to provide CNRA with funding for statewide bond activities, including supporting bond accountability coordination, website and applications development, and systems integration. It is anticipated that \$400,000 will be needed in 2026-27 and \$1,297,000 in 2027-28 and ongoing for the Department of Finance Office of State Audits and Evaluation's costs of providing independent audits of Climate Bond expenditures, which are reimbursed by CNRA.

**Natural Resources Agency Bond and Technical Proposals: Various Appropriations and Technical Adjustments**

—It is requested that Item 0540-101-6051 be added in the amount of \$80,000 in 2025-26 to provide funding for competitive grants for the River Parkways Program and that provisional language be included to make funding available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2028 (see Attachment 2). It is also requested that Item 0540-001-6088 be amended to align provisional language with authorized bond amounts (see Attachment 1). Additionally, it is requested that the following items be added to support grant administration and close-out:

- Item 0540-490, to extend the encumbrance period of Items 0540-001-0001, Budget Act of 2022, 0540-102-0001, Budget Act of 2023, and 0540-101-6051, Budget Act of 2008 until June 30, 2027 (see Attachment 3).
- Item 0540-491, to extend the encumbrance period of Items 0540-001-0001 Budget Act of 2021, 0540-101-0183, Budget Act of 2015, 0540-101-0183, Budget Act of 2016, 0540-101-3228 Budget Act of 2017, 0540-101-6015, Budget Act of 2017, 0540-101-6083, Budget Act of 2017, until June 30, 2028 (see Attachment 4).
- Item 0540-492, to extend the liquidation period of Items 0540-101-0001, Budget Act of 2019, 0540-001-0140, Budget Act of 2018, 0540-001-6076, Budget Act of 2020, 0540-101-8058, Budget Act of 2020 until June 30, 2027 (see Attachment 5).
- Item 0540-493, to extend the liquidation period of Item 0540-102-0001, Budget Act of 2022 until June 30, 2028 (see Attachment 6).

The effect of my requested action is reflected on the attachment.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please call Lizzie Urie, Principal Program Budget Analyst, at (916) 324-0043.

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Agency  
Julie Alvis, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration, Natural Resources Agency

Amend Item 0540-001-6088 as follows:

"0540-001-6088—For support of Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, payable from the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Fund...~~2,136,000~~ 2,277,000

Schedule:

(1) 0320-Administration of Natural Resources Agency...~~2,136,000~~ 2,277,000

Provisions:

1. The amount appropriated in this item shall be available to support the following:

(a) ~~\$165,000~~ \$150,000 shall be available for trails and greenway investments, consistent with subdivision (a) of Section 80080 of the Public Resources Code.

(b) \$164,000 shall be available for marine wildlife and healthy ocean and coastal ecosystems, consistent with subdivision (a) of Section 80120 of the Public Resources Code.

(c) \$144,000 shall be available for projects that assist coastal communities, consistent with subdivision (a) of Section 80133 of the Public Resources Code.

(d) ~~\$121,000~~ \$110,000 shall be available for multibenefit green infrastructure investments, consistent with subdivision (b) of Section 80137 of the Public Resources Code.

(e) ~~\$562,000~~ \$697,000 shall be available for multibenefit flood projects, consistent with paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 80145 of the Public Resources Code.

(f) ~~\$980,000~~ \$1,012,000 shall be available for statewide bond costs."

## Attachment 2

0540-101-6051—For local assistance, Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, payable from the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 ... \$80,000

Schedule:

0320-Administration of Natural Resources Agency

Provisions:

1. The amount appropriated in this item shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2028.

0540-490—Reappropriation, Secretary of Natural Resources Agency. The balances of the appropriations provided in the following citations are reappropriated for the purposes provided for in those appropriations and shall be available for encumbrance and expenditure until June 30, 2027:

0001—General Fund

(1) Item 0540-001-0001, Budget Act of 2022 (Chs. 43, 45, and 249, Stats. 2022), as reappropriated by Items 0540-490 and 0540-491, Budget Act of 2023 (Chs. 12, 38, and 189, Stats. 2023), and Item 0540-494, Budget Act of 2024 (Chs. 22, 35, and 994, Stats. 2024).

(2) Item 0540-102-0001, Budget Act of 2023 (Chs. 12, 38, and 189, Stats. 2023), including the funding transferred for administrative costs per Provision 1.

6051—Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006

(1) Item 0540-001-6051, Budget Act of 2008 (Chs. 268 and 269, Stats. 2008), as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2011 (Ch. 33, Stats. 2011), Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2014 (Chs. 25 and 663, Stats. 2014), Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2017 (Chs. 14, 22, and 54, Stats. 2017), and Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

0540-491—Reappropriation, Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency. The balances of the appropriations provided in the following citations are reappropriated for the purposes provided for in those appropriations and shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2028:

0001—General Fund

Item 0540-001-0001, Budget Act of 2021 (Chs. 21, 69, and 240, Stats. 2021), as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2024 (Chs. 22, 35, and 994, Stats. 2024).

0183—Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program Fund

(1) Item 0540-101-0183, Budget Act of 2015 (Chs. 10 and 11, Stats. 2015), as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2017 (Chs. 14, 22, and 54, Stats. 2017) and Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

(2) Item 0540-101-0183, Budget Act of 2016 (Ch. 23, Stats. 2016), as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2017 (Chs. 14, 22, and 54, Stats. 2017) and Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

3228—Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund

(1) Item 0540-101-3228, Budget Act of 2017 (Chs. 14, 22, and 54, Stats. 2017), as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

6015—River Protection Subaccount

(1) Item 0540-101-6015, Budget Act of 2017 (Chs. 14, 22, and 54, Stats. 2017), as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

6083—Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Fund of 2014

(1) Item 0540-101-6083, Budget Act of 2017 (Chs. 14, 22, and 54, Stats. 2017), as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).



0540-492—Reappropriation, Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency.  
Notwithstanding any other law, the period to liquidate encumbrances of the following citations is extended to June 30, 2027:

0001—General Fund

(1) Schedule 1(p) of Item 0540-101-0001, Budget Act of 2019 (Chs. 23 and 55, Stats. 2019) as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

0140—Environmental License Plate Fund

(1) Item 0540-101-0140, Budget Act of 2018 (Ch. 29 and 30, Stats. 2018), as reappropriated by Item 0540-490, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

6076—California Ocean Protection Trust Fund

Item 0540-001-6076, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

8058—California Cultural and Historical Endowment Fund

(1) Item 0540-101-8058, Budget Act of 2020 (Chs. 6 and 7, Stats. 2020).

0540-493—Reappropriation, Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency.  
Notwithstanding any other law, the period to liquidate encumbrances of the following citations is extended to June 30, 2028:

0001—General Fund

(1) Item 0540-102-0001, Budget Act of 2022 (Chs. 43, 45, and 249, Stats. 2022).

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**Amendment to and Addition of Various Budget Bill Items, Support, Secretary for Environmental Protection**

**Legal Resources to Respond to Federal Actions**—It is requested that the following Items be increased by a total amount of \$296,000 ongoing and 1 permanent position to support increased litigation in response to federal legal challenges to environmental laws and regulations:

- Item 0555-001-0028 by \$174,000 and 0.7 positions
- Item 0555-001-0106 by \$28,000 and 0.1 positions
- Item 0555-001-0115 by \$37,000 and 0.1 positions
- Item 0555-001-0193 by \$11,000
- Item 0555-001-0226 by \$1,000
- Item 0555-001-0387 by \$4,000
- Item 0555-001-0439 by \$24,000 and 0.1 positions
- Item 0555-001-3058 by \$5,000
- Item 0555-001-3237 by \$12,000

**California Environmental Protection Agency Bond and Technical Adjustments**—It is requested that Item 0555-490 be added to extend the encumbrance period until June 30, 2026, for the following programs (see Attachment 1):

- **Audio-Visual Equipment Updates**—\$2,035,000 Air Pollution Control Fund from the 2022 Budget Act be reappropriated to provide additional time to cover contract costs associated with audio-visual equipment updates for CalEPA and its Boards, Departments, and Offices.
- **Environmental Justice Action Grants**—\$4 million General Fund from the 2022 Budget Act be reappropriated to provide additional time to encumber grant award funding for the Environmental Justice Action Grants program.

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Brandy Hunt, Deputy Secretary, California Environmental Protection Agency

0555-490—Reappropriation, Secretary for Environmental Protection. The amounts specified in the following citations are reappropriated for the purposes provided for in those appropriations and shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2026:

0001—General Fund

- (1) Up to \$4,000,000 of the amount appropriated in Item 0555-102-0001, Budget Act of 2022 (Chs. 43, 45, and 249, Stats. 2022), for the Environmental Justice Action Grants program.

0115—Air Pollution Control Fund

- (1) Up to \$2,035,000 of the amount appropriated in Item 0555-001-0115, Budget Act of 2022 (Chs. 43, 45, and 249, Stats. 2022), for audio-visual equipment updates for CalEPA and its Boards, Departments, and Offices.