

2024 State Coastal Conservancy Request for Qualifications and Information

The State Coastal Conservancy (“Conservancy”) acts to preserve, restore, and enhance California’s coastal and marine resources, enhance their resilience to climate change, and to expand public access to the coast.

The Conservancy annually updates a list of environmental, engineering, architectural, landscape architectural, construction project management, and the other consulting service providers. This year, we also invite individuals, firms, non-profits, and community groups involved with community engagement, tribal engagement, community-based restoration, traditional ecological knowledge, and other justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion topics to submit their information.

The list is used in two ways: to identify consulting firms and individuals with appropriate qualifications for Conservancy consultant needs; and to help us make connections with local organizations and individuals engaged with coastal issues and communities in our jurisdiction.

We welcome individuals, consultants, firms, and community groups to submit their qualifications and/or organizational information through [this brief online form](#). This submission form replaces previous years’ RFQ form.

We encourage submittals by **August 31**, though they will be accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year.

The Conservancy has developed working relationships with a number of public and private entities through its work on coastal and watershed restoration efforts over the past 45 years. Advancing environmental protection and climate adaptation work requires diverse collaborations of public and private agencies, Indigenous peoples and Tribal Nations, landowners, and community members. We aim to foster collaboration between these groups to develop creative solutions to complex coastal issues. We hope this list will increase our awareness of the many groups, organizations, and individuals that should be involved in the development and implementation of our projects.

All information received will be kept on file for at least one year from the date of this request. Conservancy staff will use this information in soliciting services, as needed, for upcoming Conservancy projects. We will also use this information in efforts to increase local community connections with our projects and in providing resources to share with grantees and other partners.

State certified Small Businesses (“SB” including small business, minority and women-owned businesses) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (“DVBE”) are encouraged to submit. The Conservancy encourages all potential contractors to proactively engage with potential SB and DVBE subcontractors.

We are soliciting consultants with experience and expertise in:

1. Surveying and mapping;
2. Construction project management;

3. Civil and hydrological engineering;
4. Habitat restoration design, permitting, construction, and monitoring; with a focus on designing for integrated habitats and multiple benefits; including specific expertise and project experience in specific habitat types and mixes of habitat palettes- marine, estuarine, riparian, upland, and watershed areas
5. Natural and nature-based shoreline protection design; including experimental techniques and work in less common habitat types such as rocky intertidal areas and oyster beds;
6. Wildfire risk reduction and management
7. Landscape architecture; with a focus on native and environmentally oriented designs,
8. Trail planning, design, and engineering;
9. Water quality assessment;
10. Geotechnical and geomorphic assessment;
11. Structural analyses;
12. Pre-project feasibility analyses;
13. Economic analyses;
14. Hazardous or toxic substance investigations;
15. Wetland, creek, watershed, intertidal and subtidal assessments;
16. Archaeological studies;
17. Environmental documentation and assessment under the California Environmental Quality Act and other environmental laws and regulation;
18. Climate change issues such as urban heat island effect, species migrations, seasonal coastal and fluvial flooding, and sea-level rise;
19. Botanical studies;
20. Agricultural studies;
21. Soil analyses;
22. Carbon analyses;
23. Biological investigations;
24. Natural resource permitting;
25. Site and land use planning;
26. Sea-level rise, marsh migration, and coastal erosion modeling;
27. Environmental monitoring;
28. Graphic design for interpretive signs; and
29. Other program-related environmental services, such as appraisals for resource conservation purposes.

The Conservancy also seeks to identify individuals, firms, and community groups providing these services:

1. Community engagement planning and implementation
2. Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion (JEDI) training and resources
3. Community engagement evaluation
4. Community-focused media and storytelling
5. Community-based restoration
6. Community-inclusive design planning
7. Local labor development and training
8. Traditional Ecological Knowledge

To submit your qualifications and/or or organizational information, fill out [the online form](#) located at <https://scc.ca.gov/public-meetings/> under the Public Notices header.

[More information can be found in the complete RFQI here.](#)

Please email taylor.samuelson (at) scc.ca.gov with any questions.