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Fish and Wildlife Advisory Commission Announces \$20,000 in Grant Funding to Benefit Native Species and Habitats

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY – The Santa Cruz County Fish and Wildlife Advisory Commission (FWAC) is seeking [Request for Proposals \(RFP\)](#) for projects that support native species, protect and restore habitats, or advance fish and wildlife education and enforcement. A total of \$20,000 in grant funding is available, and requests of all sizes will be considered.

Timeline:

- Apply by: **October 24, 2025** via FWAC@santacruzcountyca.gov
- Applicants are invited to the FWAC meeting on **November 6, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.** to briefly present their proposals. Location: Solarium Conference Room. 1060 Emeline Ave., Santa Cruz, CA 95060.
- Final funding decisions will be made at the **December 4, 2025 meeting**, when commissioners will determine whether to fully fund, partially fund, or decline each request.

Required forms are available online at the [Fish and Wildlife Advisory Commission webpage](#). Inquiries regarding the RFP process can be sent to FWAC@santacruzcountyca.gov.

"This year, we're giving special consideration to proposals focused on habitat restoration," said Jenni Gomez, Chair of the Fish and Wildlife Advisory Commission. "Our goal is to raise awareness and inspire local action. We encourage applicants to bring forward creative ideas that support the health and vitality of Santa Cruz County's fish and wildlife."

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