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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2021–22 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2387

Introduced by Assembly Members Eduardo Garcia and Mullin

February 17, 2022

An act to add Division 48 (commencing with Section 80500) to the Public Resources Code, relating to safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, and workforce development programs, by providing the funds necessary therefor through an election of the issuance and sale of bonds of the State of California and for the handling and disposition of those funds, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2387, as amended, Eduardo Garcia. Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022.

The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, approved by the voters as Proposition 68 at the June 5, 2018, statewide primary-direct election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,100,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a drought, water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters.

This bill would enact the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$7,430,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, and workforce development programs.

This bill would provide for the submission of these provisions to the voters at the ~~June 7, November 8, 2022, statewide primary general~~ election.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The people of California find and declare all of
- 2 the following:
- 3 (a) The climate crisis presents a significant threat to the health,
- 4 safety, and prosperity of the people of California. The changing
- 5 climate increases the risk of extreme weather events, biodiversity
- 6 loss, catastrophic wildfire, drought, rising temperatures and heat,
- 7 and sea level rise, resulting in harm to California's agricultural
- 8 industry, water supply, unique ecosystems, and economy.
- 9 (b) According to the state's Fourth Climate Change Assessment,
- 10 "[e]merging findings for California show that costs associated with
- 11 direct climate impacts by 2050 are dominated by human mortality,
- 12 damages to coastal properties, and the potential for droughts and
- 13 mega-floods," and could lead to economic costs to the economy
- 14 that exceed \$100 billion by midcentury.
- 15 (c) Low-income communities and communities of color are
- 16 already experiencing disproportionate effects of climate change
- 17 and will continue to bear the brunt of climate impacts going
- 18 forward unless the state prioritizes investments in these
- 19 communities. Investment in these communities can build resiliency,
- 20 develop and harness local talent for quality jobs, and promote
- 21 community-based leadership to withstand the shocks and stresses
- 22 of future anticipated and unforeseen events, resulting in improved

1 environmental conditions, better health outcomes, social cohesion,
2 and increased economic opportunity.

3 (d) Improving climate resilience will require investments in
4 planning and both capital and noncapital costs.

5 (e) Restoration and stewardship of California's ecosystems and
6 natural infrastructure will increase the state's resilience to the
7 changing climate and can prevent or reduce many of the forecasted
8 impacts of climate change. Investment in improving California's
9 ecosystems and natural infrastructure substantially benefits food
10 and water systems, community health, and livelihoods.

11 (f) Climate risks and impacts vary by region so state investments
12 to improve climate resilience must reflect the varying type and
13 severity of climate impacts across the state.

14 (g) Planning, investment, and action to address current and
15 future climate change impacts must be guided by the best available
16 science, including local and traditional knowledge.

17 (h) The investment of public funds pursuant to Division 48
18 (commencing with Section 80500) of the Public Resources Code
19 will result in public benefits that will address the most critical
20 statewide needs and priorities for public funding.

21 (i) It is the intent of the Legislature that agencies administering
22 funds from Division 48 (commencing with Section 80500) of the
23 Public Resources Code should not fund programs or projects that
24 exacerbate, perpetuate, or sustain environmental injustice through
25 air pollution, water contamination, or other forms of environmental
26 degradation in already disproportionately affected communities
27 or that will shift climate and environmental burdens to
28 disadvantaged or otherwise disproportionately burdened
29 communities.

30 (j) It is the intent of the Legislature that agencies administering
31 funds from this act ensure investments create high-wage,
32 high-quality jobs that comply with all laws, rules, and regulations,
33 including labor, training, safety, contracting, and environmental
34 requirements and standards.

35 SEC. 2. Division 48 (commencing with Section 80500) is added
36 to the Public Resources Code, to read:

37
38 DIVISION 48. SAFE DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE
39 PREVENTION, DROUGHT PREPARATION, FLOOD

1 PROTECTION, EXTREME HEAT MITIGATION, AND
2 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOND ACT OF 2022

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4 CHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS
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6 80500. This division shall be known, and may be cited, as the
7 Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation,
8 Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce
9 Development Bond Act of 2022.

10 80501. (a) In expending funds pursuant to this division, an
11 administering state agency shall give priority to projects that
12 leverage private, federal, and local funding or produce the greatest
13 public benefit.

14 (b) To the extent practicable, a project funded pursuant to this
15 division shall include signage informing the public that the project
16 received funding from the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire
17 Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat
18 Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022.

19 (c) Projects funded pursuant to this division shall include the
20 planning, monitoring, and reporting necessary to ensure successful
21 implementation of this division's objectives.

22 (d) When disbursing funds available pursuant to this division,
23 an administering state agency shall give preference to projects that
24 do any of the following:

25 (1) Reduce near-term risks of climate change impacts while
26 promoting long-term resilience.

27 (2) Promote equity, foster community resilience, and protect
28 the most vulnerable by prioritizing projects that meaningfully
29 benefit disadvantaged communities, severely disadvantaged
30 communities, and vulnerable populations.

31 (3) Avoid solutions that would likely worsen climate impacts
32 or transfer risks unreasonably from one area, location, or social
33 group, to another.

34 (4) Advance solutions to prevent displacement of low-income
35 residents and businesses that could occur as an unintended
36 consequence of a project that causes an increase in the cost of
37 owning or renting property.

38 (5) Incorporate partnerships with community stakeholders,
39 including community-based organizations, to ensure that projects
40 have support from disproportionately affected communities, where

1 applicable, develop and harness local talent for quality jobs, and
2 promote community-based leadership.

3 (e) To the extent practicable, a project that receives moneys
4 pursuant to this division shall provide workforce education and
5 training, contractor, and job opportunities for vulnerable
6 populations.

7 80503. For purposes of this division, the following definitions
8 apply:

9 (a) “Air board” means the State Air Resources Board.

10 (b) “Climate resilience” means the ability of an entity or system,
11 including an individual, a community, an ecosystem, or a natural
12 system, and its component parts, to absorb, accommodate, or
13 recover from the effects of a climate event in a timely and efficient
14 manner, including through ensuring the preservation, restoration,
15 or improvement of its essential basic structures and functions. In
16 the case of natural and working lands, climate resilience includes
17 the preservation, restoration, or enhancement of the ability to
18 sequester carbon.

19 (c) “Committee” means the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire
20 Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat
21 Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Finance Committee
22 created pursuant to Section 80602.

23 (d) “Critical community infrastructure” means infrastructure
24 that is necessary to providing vital community and individual
25 functions, including, but not limited to, drinking and ~~waste water~~
26 *wastewater* infrastructure, emergency shelters, communication
27 and warning systems, evacuation routes, emergency power and
28 public medical facilities, schools, town halls, hospitals, health
29 clinics, community centers, community nonprofit facilities
30 providing essential services, libraries, homeless shelters, senior
31 and youth centers, childcare facilities, food banks, grocery stores,
32 and parks and recreation sites.

33 (e) “Disadvantaged community” means a community with a
34 median household income that is less than 80 percent of the
35 statewide average.

36 (f) “Economically distressed area” means a municipality with
37 a population of 20,000 persons or less, a rural county, or a
38 reasonably isolated and divisible segment of a larger municipality
39 where the segment of the population is 20,000 persons or less,
40 with an annual median household income that is less than 85

1 percent of the statewide median household income and with one
2 or more of the following conditions as determined by an agency
3 administering funding under this division:

4 (1) Financial hardship.

5 (2) Unemployment rate at least 2 percent higher than the
6 statewide average.

7 (3) Low population density.

8 (g) “Fund” means the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention,
9 Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation,
10 and Workforce Development Fund created pursuant to Section
11 80518.

12 (h) “Groundwater sustainability agency” has the same meaning
13 as defined in Section 10721 of the Water Code.

14 (i) “Interpretation” includes, but is not limited to, a
15 visitor-serving amenity that enhances the ability to understand and
16 appreciate the significance and value of natural, historical, and
17 cultural resources and that may use educational materials in
18 multiple languages, digital information in multiple languages, and
19 the expertise of a naturalist or other skilled specialist.

20 (j) “Local agency” means a city, county, city and county, special
21 district, joint powers authority, resource conservation district, or
22 other political subdivision of the state.

23 (k) “Natural infrastructure” means a network of ecological areas,
24 man-made systems, or practices that use or mimic natural processes
25 to benefit people or wildlife. “Natural infrastructure” reduces
26 vulnerability to the impacts of climate change and includes, but is
27 not limited to, permeable pavements, bioswales, wetlands,
28 floodplains, forests, urban forests, beaches, dunes, tidal marshes,
29 reefs, seagrass, parks, rain gardens, and engineered systems, such
30 as levees, that are combined with restored natural systems, to
31 provide a wide array of benefits to people or wildlife.

32 (l) “Nonprofit organization” means a nonprofit corporation
33 qualified to do business in California and qualified under Section
34 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

35 (m) “Preservation” means rehabilitation, stabilization,
36 restoration, conservation, development, and reconstruction, or any
37 combination of those activities.

38 (n) “Protection” means those actions necessary to prevent harm
39 or damage to persons, property, or natural, cultural, and historic
40 resources, actions to improve access to public open-space areas,

1 or actions to allow the continued use and enjoyment of property
2 or natural, cultural, and historic resources. Protection includes site
3 monitoring, acquisition, development, restoration, preservation,
4 and interpretation.

5 (o) (1) “Restoration” means the improvement of physical
6 structures or facilities and, in the case of natural systems and
7 landscape features, includes, but is not limited to, any of the
8 following:

9 (A) The control of erosion.

10 (B) Stormwater capture, treatment, reuse, and storage, or to
11 otherwise reduce stormwater pollution.

12 (C) The control and elimination of invasive species and harmful
13 algal blooms.

14 (D) The planting of native species.

15 (E) The removal of waste and debris.

16 (F) Prescribed burning and other fuel hazard reduction measures.

17 (G) Fencing out threats to existing or restored natural resources.

18 (H) Improving instream, riparian, floodplain, or wetland habitat
19 conditions.

20 (I) Other plant and wildlife habitat improvement to increase the
21 natural system value of the property, or coastal or ocean resources.

22 (J) Activities described in subdivision (b) of Section 79737 of
23 the Water Code.

24 (2) “Restoration” also includes activities, such as the planning,
25 permitting, monitoring, and reporting that are necessary to ensure
26 successful implementation of the restoration objectives.

27 (p) “Severely disadvantaged community” means a community
28 with a median household income that is less than 60 percent of the
29 statewide average.

30 (q) “Small- and medium-sized farms” means farms and ranches
31 of 500 acres or less.

32 (r) “Socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers” has the same
33 meaning as defined in Section 512 of the Food and Agricultural
34 Code.

35 (s) “Structure hardening” means the installation, replacement,
36 or retrofitting of building materials, systems, or assemblies used
37 in the exterior design and construction of existing nonconforming
38 structures with features that are in compliance with Chapter 7A
39 (commencing with Section 701A.1) of Part 2 of Title 24 of the
40 California Code of Regulations, or any appropriate successor

1 regulatory code with the primary purpose of reducing risk to
2 structures from wildfire or conforming to the low-cost retrofit list,
3 and updates to that list, developed pursuant to paragraph (1) of
4 subdivision (c) of Section 51189 of the Government Code.

5 (t) “Tribe” means a federally recognized Native American tribe
6 or a California Native American tribe that appears on the California
7 Tribal Consultation List maintained by the Native American
8 Heritage Commission.

9 (u) “Under-resourced community” means either of the following:

10 (1) A community identified as a disadvantaged community
11 pursuant to Section 39711 of the Health and Safety Code.

12 (2) A low-income community as defined in Section 39713 of
13 the Health and Safety Code.

14 (v) “Vulnerable population” means a subgroup of a population
15 within a region or community that faces a disproportionately
16 heightened risk or increased sensitivity to impacts of climate
17 change and that lacks adequate resources to cope with, adapt to,
18 or recover from such impacts.

19 (w) “Water board” means the State Water Resources Control
20 Board.

21 (x) “Wildfire buffer” means greenspaces or open spaces that
22 are managed to reduce the spread of wildfires, and are located
23 between structures and wildlands in a community to reduce
24 structure vulnerability to wildfire risks. Wildfire buffers shall be
25 designed to provide additional benefits that may include shelter
26 from natural disasters, recreation, habitat, stormwater capture, and
27 active transportation.

28 80504. An amount that equals not more than 5 percent of the
29 funds allocated for a program funded pursuant to this division may
30 be used to pay the administrative costs of that program.

31 80505. (a) The Department of Finance shall provide for an
32 independent audit of expenditures pursuant to this division. The
33 Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency shall publish a list of
34 all program and project expenditures pursuant to this division not
35 less than annually, in written form, and shall post an electronic
36 form of the list on the agency’s internet website in a downloadable
37 spreadsheet format. The spreadsheet shall include information
38 about the location and footprint of each funded project, the
39 project’s objectives, the status of the project, anticipated outcomes,
40 the public benefits to be derived from the project, any matching

1 moneys provided for the project by the grant recipient or other
2 partners, and the applicable chapter of this division pursuant to
3 which the grant recipient received moneys.

4 (b) If an audit, required by law, of any entity that receives
5 funding authorized by this division is conducted pursuant to state
6 law and reveals any impropriety, the California State Auditor or
7 the Controller may conduct or arrange for a full audit of any or all
8 of the activities funded pursuant to this division.

9 (c) The state agency issuing any grant with funding authorized
10 by this division shall require adequate reporting of the expenditures
11 of the funding from the grant.

12 (d) The costs associated with the publications, audits, statewide
13 bond tracking, cash management, and related oversight activities
14 provided for in this section shall be funded from the proceeds of
15 bonds authorized by this division. These costs shall be shared
16 proportionally by each program through this division. Actual costs
17 incurred to administer nongrant programs authorized by this
18 division shall be paid from the proceeds of bonds authorized by
19 this division.

20 80506. If any moneys allocated pursuant to this division are
21 not encumbered or expended by the recipient entity within the time
22 period specified by the administering state agency, the unexpended
23 moneys shall revert to the administering state agency for allocation
24 consistent with the applicable chapter.

25 80507. Funds provided pursuant to this division, and any
26 appropriation or transfer of those funds, shall not be deemed to be
27 a transfer of funds for the purposes of Chapter 9 (commencing
28 with Section 2780) of Division 3 of the Fish and Game Code.

29 80508. At least 35 percent of the funds available pursuant to
30 this division shall be allocated for projects that provide meaningful
31 and direct benefits to at least one of the following: vulnerable
32 populations, under-resourced communities, or disadvantaged
33 communities. At least 10 percent of the moneys available pursuant
34 to each chapter of this division shall be allocated for projects that
35 provide meaningful and direct benefits to severely disadvantaged
36 communities.

37 80509. For grants awarded for projects under this division, the
38 administering state agency may provide advanced payments in the
39 amount of 25 percent of the grant award to the recipient, including
40 state-related entities, to initiate the project in a timely manner. The

1 administering state agency shall adopt additional requirements for
2 the recipient of the grant regarding the use of the advanced
3 payments to ensure that the moneys are used properly.

4 80510. (a) Up to 10 percent of the funds available pursuant to
5 each chapter of this division may be allocated for technical
6 assistance and capacity building by the administering state agency.
7 The administering state agency shall operate a multidisciplinary
8 technical assistance program for these purposes.

9 (b) Funds used for providing technical assistance and capacity
10 building for disadvantaged communities, severely disadvantaged
11 communities, under-resourced communities, or vulnerable
12 populations may exceed 10 percent if the administering state
13 agency determines that there is a need for the additional funding.

14 80511. Projects funded under this division shall demonstrate
15 ongoing monitoring and scientific review. Up to 5 percent of
16 project funds may be used for this purpose.

17 80512. Funds provided by this division shall not be expended
18 to fulfill any environmental mitigation requirements or compliance
19 obligations imposed by law or to pay the costs of the design,
20 construction, operation, mitigation, or maintenance of Delta
21 conveyance facilities. Those costs shall be the responsibility of
22 the entities that benefit from the design, construction, operation,
23 mitigation, or maintenance of those facilities.

24 80513. Before disbursing grants through any new grant
25 programs established pursuant to this division, each state agency
26 that receives funding to administer a grant program under this
27 division shall do all of the following:

28 (a) Develop and adopt project solicitation and evaluation
29 guidelines. The guidelines shall include monitoring and reporting
30 requirements and may include a limitation on the dollar amount
31 of grants to be awarded. If the state agency has previously
32 developed and adopted project solicitation and evaluation
33 guidelines that comply with the requirements of this subdivision,
34 the state agency may use those guidelines.

35 (b) Conduct at least one public meeting to consider public
36 comments before finalizing the guidelines. The state agency shall
37 publish the draft solicitation and evaluation guidelines on its
38 internet website at least 30 days before the public meetings.

1 (c) Any public meetings held pursuant to this section shall allow
2 for virtual attendance and public participation through any internet
3 platform used to host the meeting.

4 (d) Guidelines shall be made available online and shall be
5 consistent with all applicable statutes.

6 80514. An apprenticeship or preapprenticeship program funded
7 pursuant to this division shall be approved by the Division of
8 Apprenticeship Standards.

9 80515. To the extent feasible, a project whose application
10 includes the use of services of the California Conservation Corps
11 or certified community conservation corps, as defined in Section
12 14507.5, shall be given preference for receipt of a grant under this
13 division.

14 80516. An eligible applicant under this division is a public
15 agency, local agency, nonprofit organization, park and open-space
16 district and authority, resource conservation district, joint powers
17 authority, tribe, public water agency, groundwater sustainability
18 agency, or regional collaborative for climate adaptation.

19 80517. The Legislature may enact legislation necessary to
20 implement programs funded by this division.

21 80518. (a) The proceeds of bonds issued and sold pursuant to
22 this division, exclusive of refunding bonds issued and sold pursuant
23 to Section 80612, shall be deposited in the Safe Drinking Water,
24 Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection,
25 Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Fund,
26 which is hereby created in the State Treasury. Moneys in the fund
27 shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for
28 purposes of this division.

29 (b) Proceeds of bonds issued and sold pursuant to this division
30 shall be allocated according to the following schedule:

31 (1) One billion one hundred million dollars (\$1,100,000,000)
32 for wildfire prevention and climate risk reduction, in accordance
33 with Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 80520).

34 (2) One billion one hundred sixty million dollars
35 (\$1,160,000,000) for the protection of coastal lands, bays, and
36 oceans from climate risks, in accordance with Chapter 3
37 (commencing with Section 80530).

38 (3) Two billion seventy-five million dollars (\$2,075,000,000)
39 for the protection of California's water supplies from multiyear
40 droughts, reducing flood risk from extreme events, and providing

1 safe drinking water, in accordance with Chapter 4 (commencing
2 with Section 80540).

3 (4) Nine hundred forty million dollars (\$940,000,000) for the
4 protection of California's wildlife, biodiversity, and fisheries from
5 climate risks, in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with
6 Section 80560).

7 (5) Three hundred twenty million dollars (\$320,000,000) for
8 protecting farms, ranches, and working lands from the impacts of
9 climate change in accordance with Chapter 6 (commencing with
10 Section 80570).

11 (6) Seven hundred twenty-five million dollars (\$725,000,000)
12 for addressing extreme heat in accordance with Chapter 7
13 (commencing with Section 80580).

14 (7) One billion one hundred ten million dollars (\$1,110,000,000)
15 for regional climate resilience projects that address multiple risks,
16 in accordance with Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 80590).

17
18 CHAPTER 2. WILDFIRE PREVENTION, CLIMATE RISK
19 REDUCTION, AND PROTECTION AGAINST POWER SHUTOFFS
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21 80520. The sum of one billion one hundred million dollars
22 (\$1,100,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the
23 Legislature, for the prevention and reduction in the risk of wildfires
24 to lives, properties, and natural resources.

25 80521. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80520,
26 three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) shall be available to
27 the Office of Emergency Services, upon appropriation by the
28 Legislature, for a prehazard mitigation grant program. The Office
29 of Emergency Services shall coordinate with the Department of
30 Forestry and Fire Protection in administering these moneys. The
31 grant program shall assist local and state agencies to leverage
32 additional funds, including matching grants from federal agencies.
33 Funds may be used to provide loans, rebates, direct assistance, and
34 matching funds for projects that prevent wildfires, increase
35 resilience, reduce the risk of wildfires to communities, or increase
36 community hardening. Eligible projects include, but are not limited
37 to, the following:

38 (1) Grants to local agencies, state agencies, joint powers
39 authorities, and tribes for projects that reduce wildfire risks to

1 people and property consistent with an approved community
2 wildfire protection plan.

3 (2) Grants to local agencies, state agencies, joint powers
4 authorities, tribes, resource conservation districts, fire safe councils,
5 and nonprofit organizations for structure hardening of critical
6 community infrastructure, evacuation centers, structure hardening
7 projects that reduce the risk of wildfire for entire neighborhoods
8 and communities, water delivery system improvements for fire
9 suppression purposes for communities in high fire hazard severity
10 zones or very high fire hazard severity zones, as designated by the
11 Director of Forestry and Fire Protection pursuant to Article 9
12 (commencing with Section 4201) of Chapter 1 of Part 2 of Division
13 4 or by a local agency pursuant to Chapter 6.8 (commencing with
14 Section 51175) of Part 1 of Division 1 of Title 5 of the Government
15 Code, wildfire buffers, and incentives to remove structures that
16 significantly increase hazard risk.

17 (3) Grants, in coordination with the Public Utilities Commission,
18 to local agencies, state agencies, special districts, joint powers
19 authorities, tribes, and nonprofit organizations for zero-emission
20 backup power, energy storage, and microgrids for critical
21 community infrastructure in order to provide continuity of electrical
22 service, and safeguard communities from disruption due to public
23 safety power shutoffs, wildfire, or air pollution caused by wildfire,
24 extreme heat, or other disaster.

25 (b) The Office of Emergency Services and the Department of
26 Forestry and Fire Protection shall prioritize prehazard mitigation
27 grant funding applications from local agencies based on the “Fire
28 Risk Reduction Community” list, upon development of that list,
29 pursuant to Section 4290.1.

30 (c) The Office of Emergency Services and the Department of
31 Forestry and Fire Protection shall provide technical assistance to
32 disadvantaged communities, severely disadvantaged communities,
33 or vulnerable populations, including those with access and
34 functional needs, socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers, and
35 economically distressed areas to ensure the grant program reduces
36 the vulnerability of those most in need.

37 80522. Of the funds made available by Section 80520, five
38 hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000) shall be available, upon
39 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Natural Resources Agency
40 and to its departments, boards, and conservancies for projects and

1 grants to improve local fire prevention capacity, improve forest
2 health and resilience, and reduce the risk of wildfire spreading into
3 populated areas from wildlands. Where appropriate, projects may
4 include activities on lands owned by the United States. The funding
5 made available by this section shall be allocated as follows:

6 (a) One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) shall be
7 available to the Department of Conservation's Regional Fire and
8 Forest Capacity Program to increase regional capacity to prioritize,
9 develop, and implement projects that improve forest health and
10 fire resilience, implement community fire preparedness
11 demonstration projects, facilitate greenhouse gas emissions
12 reductions, and increase carbon sequestration in forests and other
13 landscapes across regions and throughout the state. The funding
14 shall be allocated based, to the extent feasible, on the findings of
15 the review of the regional capacity required by Section 4123.7.

16 (b) One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) shall be
17 available to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for
18 long-term forest health projects, including reforestation;
19 conservation easements; activities that promote long-term carbon
20 storage and sequestration; and upper watershed, riparian, mountain
21 meadow, and inland wetland restoration. Projects shall reflect the
22 concurrence of the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the water
23 board, respectively, when a project may affect their statutory
24 jurisdiction and shall be consistent with Section 4799.05.

25 (c) One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) shall be
26 available for watershed improvements projects in forests and other
27 habitats, including, but not limited to, redwoods, conifers, oak
28 woodlands, mountain meadows, chaparral, deserts, and coastal
29 forests. Projects shall include the use of prescribed fire and improve
30 water supply or water quality. Projects shall involve the restoration
31 of natural ecosystem functions in high fire hazard areas and provide
32 multiple benefits, including, but not limited to, habitat protection,
33 science-based fuel reduction, watershed protection, carbon
34 sequestration, protection of older fire-resistant trees, or improved
35 forest health. The Natural Resources Agency shall require a
36 contribution of matching funds or in-kind work, as determined
37 appropriate, from beneficiaries of the watershed, which may
38 include, but are not limited to, water districts, public utilities, local
39 agencies, or private users. The Natural Resources Agency shall
40 ensure long-term benefits for projects funded pursuant to this

1 subdivision, including through an ongoing commitment to future
2 maintenance and a commitment to long-term forest resilience that
3 reduces fire risk and enhances carbon sequestration capacity.

4 (d) Fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available to the
5 Sierra Nevada Conservancy for watershed improvement, forest
6 health, biomass utilization, and forest restoration workforce
7 development. At least 70 percent of the funds made available by
8 this subdivision shall be available to the Sierra Nevada Watershed
9 Improvement Program created by Section 33345.1.

10 80523. Of the funds made available by Section 80520, thirty
11 million dollars (\$30,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
12 by the Legislature, to the air board, in consultation with the Natural
13 Resources Agency and the Department of Forestry and Fire
14 Protection, to incentivize new projects in California that provide
15 long-term capital infrastructure to convert forest and other
16 vegetative waste removed for wildfire mitigation to uses that
17 maximize reductions in ~~the~~ greenhouse gas emissions, provide
18 local air quality benefits, and increase local community resilience
19 against climate change impacts.

20 80524. Of the funds made available by Section 80520, seventy
21 million dollars (\$70,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
22 by the Legislature, to the Department of Parks and Recreation and
23 regional park entities, including districts, counties, and authorities,
24 to plan for and implement projects to reduce the risks of fire and
25 for the fire hardening of infrastructure for units of the state park
26 system, and for grants to restore, enhance, and protect public lands
27 and improve carbon sequestration or reduce black carbon
28 emissions. A project funded pursuant to this section shall include
29 at least three of the following public cobenefits:

- 30 (a) Fire risk reduction.
- 31 (b) Improved wildlife corridors.
- 32 (c) Improved ability for wildlife species to adapt to climate
33 change.
- 34 (d) Reduced forest fragmentation.
- 35 (e) Improved public access, including for individuals with
36 disabilities, as defined by the federal Americans with Disabilities
37 Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.), and outdoor recreation.
- 38 (f) Improved vegetation management associated with projects
39 developed pursuant to Section 4123.5.
- 40 (g) Improved stormwater or groundwater benefits.

1 80525. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80520, one
2 hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) shall be available,
3 upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Natural Resources
4 Agency for grants on a block grant basis to eligible city, county,
5 district, and regional park and ~~open-space~~ *open-space* entities for
6 projects that do any of the following:

7 (1) Reduce the risk of fire, flood, or drought in order to
8 safeguard public lands and communities.

9 (2) Enhance water conservation or efficiencies for existing
10 outdoor facilities.

11 (3) Promote access, including, where feasible, for individuals
12 with disabilities, as defined by the federal Americans with
13 Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.), and
14 facilitate social distancing, as needed, among park users.

15 (b) Minimum awards for grants issued pursuant to this section
16 are one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for cities and
17 districts and three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for counties
18 and regional entities.

19 80526. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80520, fifty
20 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
21 by the Legislature, to the California Conservation Corps and
22 certified community conservation corps, as defined in Section
23 14507.5, for demonstrated jobs projects including either of the
24 following:

25 (1) Projects to mitigate unemployment and assist the state with
26 the implementation of critical natural resources, transportation,
27 energy, and housing infrastructure.

28 (2) Projects to prepare for, prevent, respond to, and rehabilitate
29 following natural disasters, declared emergencies, or
30 climate-related impacts to communities, including, but not limited
31 to, the following projects:

32 (A) Community greenspace improvements or restoration.

33 (B) Restoration of watersheds and riparian zones.

34 (C) Regional and community-level fuel load reduction.

35 (D) Development and maintenance of urban tree canopies.

36 (E) Post-wildfire restoration.

37 (F) Resource conservation and restoration projects.

38 (G) Construction of emergency housing.

1 (H) Construction of transition and affordable housing to protect
2 vulnerable populations from the impacts of wildfire and other
3 climate threats.

4 (I) Identified community emergency response support, such as
5 construction and support at temporary evacuation centers, hospitals,
6 housing, and shelters needed during emergencies and disasters.

7 (J) Facility or equipment acquisition, development, restoration,
8 and rehabilitation.

9 (b) At least 60 percent of the amount available pursuant to
10 subdivision (a) shall be available to certified community
11 conservation corps, as defined in Section 14507.5.

12 (c) Up to 5 percent of the amount available pursuant to
13 subdivision (a) shall be available for training, support, recruitment,
14 and retention, and other wraparound services for corps members.

15
16 CHAPTER 3. PROTECTING COASTAL LANDS, BAYS, AND OCEANS
17 FROM SEA LEVEL RISE AND OTHER CLIMATE RISKS
18

19 80530. The sum of one billion one hundred sixty million dollars
20 (\$1,160,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the
21 Legislature, for protection of coastal communities from sea level
22 rise, restoration of coastal and ocean resources, mitigation of ocean
23 acidification, and addressing the impacts of climate change along
24 California's coast. Projects funded pursuant to this chapter shall
25 provide for public access to the shoreline and to inland and coastal
26 waterways consistent with public safety needs.

27 80531. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80530, nine
28 hundred sixty million dollars (\$960,000,000) shall be available,
29 upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the State Coastal
30 Conservancy for grants or expenditures to protect, restore, and
31 increase the resilience of beaches, bays, coastal dunes, wetlands,
32 coastal forests, watersheds, trails, and public access facilities,
33 including, where feasible, for individuals with disabilities, as
34 defined by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
35 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.), pursuant to Division 21
36 (commencing with Section 31000), including land acquisition, or
37 conservation easements on land with open space, recreational,
38 biological, cultural, scenic, or agricultural values, or lands adjacent
39 to marine protected areas, whose preservation and continued

1 operation will contribute to the ecological quality of those marine
2 protected areas.

3 (b) Of the funds made available by subdivision (a), three
4 hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) shall be available for
5 projects that are consistent with the San Francisco Bay Restoration
6 Authority Act (Title 7.25 (commencing with Section 66700) of
7 the Government Code), including, but not limited to, projects that
8 address sea level rise, flood management, and wetland restoration.

9 (c) Of the funds made available by subdivision (a), not less than
10 one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available for
11 the San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program.

12 (d) Of the funds made available by subdivision (a), one hundred
13 million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available for grants for
14 projects that use natural infrastructure to promote climate resilience
15 and protect critical infrastructure that is vulnerable to sea level rise
16 and flooding.

17 (e) Of the funds made available by subdivision (a), sixty-five
18 million dollars (\$65,000,000) shall be available for projects to
19 remove outdated or obsolete dams and to upgrade associated
20 downstream infrastructure to increase climate resilience, enhance
21 natural sediment transport, improve wildlife and fish passage, and
22 modernize associated infrastructure, including related planning,
23 monitoring, permitting, habitat restoration, and recreational
24 improvements.

25 80532. Of the funds made available by Section 80530, thirty
26 million dollars (\$30,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
27 by the Legislature, to the California Coastal Commission for grants
28 for local adaptation planning and updating local coastal programs
29 and twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) shall be available, upon
30 appropriation by the Legislature, to the San Francisco Bay
31 Conservation and Development Commission for coastal planning
32 and projects within its jurisdiction. Eligible activities include, but
33 are not limited to, the development of, or updates to, relevant
34 portions of a local hazard mitigation plan or local general plan to
35 address sea level rise and coastal hazards pursuant to paragraph
36 (4) of subdivision (g) of Section 65302 of the Government Code.

37 80533. Of the fund made available by Section 80530, one
38 hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available for
39 deposit into the California Ocean Protection Trust Fund for grants
40 consistent with Section 35650. Priority shall be given to projects

1 that assist coastal communities, including those reliant on
2 commercial fisheries, with adaptation to climate change, including
3 projects that address ocean acidification, increasing ocean
4 temperatures, sea level rise, stewardship of the state's marine
5 protected areas, or habitat restoration and protection.

6 80534. Of the funds made available by Section 80530, fifty
7 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
8 by the Legislature, to the Department of Parks and Recreation to
9 plan for and implement projects to reduce the risks of sea level
10 rise for units of the state park system.

11 80535. Projects funded pursuant to this chapter shall be
12 consistent with climate and sea level rise policies and guidelines
13 established by the California Coastal Commission, the Ocean
14 Protection Council, the San Francisco Bay Conservation and
15 Development Commission, and the State Coastal Conservancy, if
16 applicable.

17
18 CHAPTER 4. ENSURING SAFE DRINKING WATER, DROUGHT
19 PREPARATION, AND ENHANCING THE STATE'S FLOOD PROTECTION
20

21 80540. The sum of two billion seventy-five million dollars
22 (\$2,075,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the
23 Legislature, for the delivery of safe drinking water, drought
24 preparation and response, and flood protection.

25 80541. Grant guidelines adopted pursuant to Section 80513
26 for funding under this chapter shall encourage, where feasible, the
27 inclusion of the following project components:

- 28 (a) Efficient use and conservation of water supplies.
- 29 (b) The capture of stormwater to reduce stormwater runoff,
30 reduction of water pollution, or recharge of groundwater supplies,
31 or a combination of those activities.
- 32 (c) Provision of safe and reliable drinking water supplies to park
33 and open-space visitors, and state fairgrounds that serve as
34 emergency evacuation facilities.
- 35 (d) Support to groundwater sustainability agencies for regional
36 groundwater sustainability.
- 37 (e) Increased climate resilience for wildlife and fish species.

38 80542. Nothing in this chapter determines or alters water rights
39 or water right priorities.

1 80543. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80540, two
2 hundred fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000) shall be available,
3 upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Department of Water
4 Resources in collaboration with the water board, for grants and
5 projects that advance groundwater sustainability consistent with
6 the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (Part 2.74
7 (commencing with Section 10720) of Division 6 of the Water
8 Code). Funds may be used for projects, including groundwater
9 recharge or water banking projects, and management actions
10 identified in a groundwater sustainability plan, an alternative plan
11 submitted and approved pursuant to Section 10733.6 of the Water
12 Code, or a judgment in an adjudication issued pursuant to Section
13 850 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

14 (b) Funding preference shall be given to either of the following
15 projects:

16 (1) Projects that address water quality and quantity needs of
17 disadvantaged communities, including well mitigation programs,
18 short- and long-term drinking water quality and quantity projects,
19 and projects that enhance drought and water shortage resiliency.

20 (2) Projects that provide multiple benefits or encourage local
21 and regional coordination with land use planning agencies.

22 (c) At least 10 percent of the funds available pursuant to this
23 section shall be allocated for grants that provide outreach and
24 technical assistance that directly benefit disadvantaged
25 communities, vulnerable communities, and under-resourced
26 communities. An eligible applicant is a nonprofit organization,
27 technical assistance provider, or tribe.

28 80543.5. Of the funds made available by Section 80540, two
29 hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) shall be available, upon
30 appropriation by the Legislature, for expenditures on, and
31 competitive grants and loans to, projects that are included in, and
32 implemented in, an adopted integrated regional water management
33 plan consistent with Part 2.2 (commencing with Section 10530)
34 of Division 6 of the Water Code and that respond to climate change
35 and contribute to regional water security.

36 80544. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80540, four
37 hundred million dollars (\$400,000,000) shall be available, upon
38 appropriation by the Legislature, to the water board for competitive
39 grants or loans for the purposes described in Chapter 5
40 (commencing with Section 79720) of Division 26.7 of the Water

1 Code to help provide clean, safe, and reliable drinking water to all
2 Californians.

3 (b) Of the funds made available by subdivision (a), thirty million
4 dollars (\$30,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by
5 the Legislature, to the water board for competitive grants or loans
6 to develop and implement regional or countywide drought and
7 water shortage contingency plans, resilience measures, and
8 programs, including those adopted according to the
9 recommendations and guidance proposed by the Department of
10 Water Resources pursuant to Chapter 10 (commencing with Section
11 10609.40) of Part 2.55 of Division 6 of the Water Code.

12 80545. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80540, one
13 hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available, upon
14 appropriation by the Legislature, to the water board for loans or,
15 subject to subdivision (b), grants or forgivable loans to public
16 agencies or public-private partnerships for projects that will prevent
17 or substantially reduce the contamination of groundwater or surface
18 water supplies that serve as a source of drinking water and improve
19 access to wastewater infrastructure.

20 (b) The water board may use grants or forgivable loans for
21 projects that benefit vulnerable populations, under-resourced
22 communities, disadvantaged communities, or severely
23 disadvantaged communities.

24 (c) The water board shall give preference in the allocation of
25 these grant or loan funds to one or both of the following:

26 (1) Projects that include the abandonment of onsite wastewater
27 systems through connections with local sewer systems. Funding
28 for these projects may include, but is not limited to, the cost of
29 extensions needed to connect with the local sewer system, the cost
30 of expanding the local sewer system to meet the additional need
31 for treatment, and the cost of decommissioning existing onsite
32 wastewater systems.

33 (2) Complete projects rather than incrementally funding phases
34 of a single project.

35 (d) Grants or loans awarded under this section may be for any
36 amount deemed appropriate by the water board, consistent with
37 the purpose of providing safe and clean drinking water to all
38 Californians.

1 (e) A public agency or a public-private partnership may receive
2 more than one grant or loan for projects if the proposed projects
3 meet the requirements of this section.

4 80545.5. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80540,
5 one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available,
6 upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the water board for
7 competitive grants or loans for projects that prevent, reduce, or
8 treat the contamination of groundwater that serves as a major
9 source of drinking water for a community.

10 (b) The water board shall prioritize project funding based on
11 the following criteria:

12 (1) The threat posed by groundwater contamination to the
13 affected community's overall drinking water supplies, including
14 the need for the use of alternative supplies if groundwater is not
15 available due to contamination.

16 (2) The potential for groundwater contamination to spread and
17 reduce drinking water supply and water storage capacity for major
18 population areas.

19 (3) The potential of the project, if fully implemented, to enhance
20 local water supply reliability.

21 (4) The potential of the project to increase opportunities for
22 groundwater recharge and optimization of groundwater supplies.

23 (5) The project is implemented pursuant to a comprehensive
24 basinwide groundwater quality management and remediation plan
25 or is necessary to develop a comprehensive groundwater plan.

26 (6) The affected groundwater provides a local supply that, if
27 contaminated or left untreated, will require the importation of
28 additional water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta or the
29 Colorado River.

30 80546. Of the funds made available by Section 80540, four
31 hundred fifty million dollars (\$450,000,000) shall be available,
32 upon appropriation, to the Natural Resources Agency and its
33 departments, boards, and conservancies for the protection and
34 restoration of rivers, lakes, and streams to improve climate
35 resilience, water supplies, or water quality. To the extent feasible,
36 preference shall be given to natural infrastructure projects. Eligible
37 projects include, but are not limited to, any of the following:

38 (a) Multiple-benefit river and urban stream parkway projects
39 that protect and restore riparian habitats, improve climate resilience,
40 enhance natural drainages, protect and restore watersheds, and

1 provide urban access, including for statewide obligations involving
2 multistate agreements.

3 (b) Multiple-benefit watershed protection and climate resilience
4 projects consistent with the Lake Tahoe Environmental
5 Improvement Program.

6 (c) (1) At least two hundred forty million dollars (\$240,000,000)
7 shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the
8 Natural Resources Agency for capital outlay projects that provide
9 air quality, public health, and habitat benefits to the Salton Sea
10 and surrounding communities.

11 (2) Of the amount available pursuant to paragraph (1), thirty
12 million dollars (\$30,000,000) shall be available to the Salton Sea
13 Authority for purposes consistent with this subdivision.

14 (3) Of the amount available pursuant to paragraph (1), a
15 minimum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) shall be for projects
16 developed and prioritized using a public process that includes
17 participatory budgeting. Projects shall be consistent with paragraph
18 (1) and with priorities identified by the affected communities.

19 (d) At least thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) shall be
20 available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Natural
21 Resources Agency for the Tijuana River Border Pollution Control
22 Project.

23 (e) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (c) of Section 5753,
24 twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) shall be available, upon
25 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Santa Monica Mountains
26 Conservancy for projects within the San Fernando Valley that
27 protect or enhance the Los Angeles River watershed and its
28 tributaries or headwaters.

29 (2) Notwithstanding subdivision (c) of Section 5753, twenty-five
30 million dollars (\$25,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
31 by the Legislature, to the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles
32 Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for projects that protect or
33 enhance the Los Angeles River watershed and its tributaries.

34 (3) Funds allocated pursuant to this subdivision shall be
35 expended pursuant to Section 79508 of the Water Code.

36 (f) Fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) shall be available, upon
37 appropriation by the Legislature, for multiple-benefit watershed
38 protection, restoration, and public access projects that improve
39 climate resilience pursuant to the Lower American River

1 Conservancy Program (Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section
2 5845) of Division 5).

3 (g) Fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) shall be available,
4 upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Natural Resources
5 Agency for projects in and around Clear Lake and its watershed
6 that demonstrate a comprehensive local and regional approach to
7 restoration, remediation, water quality research, and management
8 of the lake and its surrounding resources.

9 80547. Of the funds made available by Section 80540, fifteen
10 million dollars (\$15,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
11 by the Legislature, to the California Environmental Protection
12 Agency for purposes consistent with the New River Water Quality,
13 Public Health, and River Parkway Development Program, as
14 described in Section 71103.6.

15 80548. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80540, two
16 hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) shall be available, upon
17 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Department of Water
18 Resources for flood management projects that are components of
19 multiple-benefit flood management system improvements that
20 reduce risks to public safety and provide improvements to fish and
21 wildlife habitat. Eligible project types include, but are not limited
22 to, levee setbacks, projects connecting rivers with flood plains,
23 enhancement of flood plains and bypasses, offstream groundwater
24 recharge, and land acquisitions, easements, and improvements
25 necessary for these project types to achieve both flood management
26 and environmental benefits. To the extent feasible, project selection
27 shall be guided by approved local hazard mitigation plans and
28 preference shall be given to natural infrastructure projects. Eligible
29 projects may include any of the following:

30 (1) Multiple-benefit flood management projects that reduce the
31 impacts of climate change on inland or coastal infrastructure,
32 communities, or ecosystems, and provide ecosystem, wildlife, or
33 groundwater recharge benefits.

34 (2) Natural infrastructure projects to reduce flood intensity and
35 slow watershed runoff.

36 (3) Projects that capture, clean, or otherwise productively use
37 stormwater.

38 (4) Projects that provide matching grants for, or otherwise
39 leverage funding from, the Federal Emergency Management

1 Agency, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, or other
2 federal mitigation and resilience funding.

3 (5) Projects that provide benefits to fish, waterfowl, wildlife,
4 and anadromous and other native fish species along migratory
5 corridors.

6 (6) Projects that restore streams to a more natural state by
7 removing drainage obstructions, culverts, and paved channels to
8 enable more stormwater to be absorbed and gradually released by
9 soil and plants.

10 (b) Of the funds made available pursuant to subdivision (a), at
11 least fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be allocated for
12 multiple-benefit flood management projects in urban coastal
13 watersheds.

14 (c) (1) Of the funds made available pursuant to subdivision (a),
15 fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available for projects
16 in the delta to improve existing levees to increase flood protection
17 and climate resilience consistent with the Legislature's direction
18 in Section 12981 of the Water Code. For purposes of this
19 subdivision, "delta" has the same meaning as defined in subdivision
20 (b) of Section 12980 of the Water Code.

21 (2) (A) For purposes of this subdivision, "project levee" has
22 the same meaning as defined in subdivision (g) of Section
23 5096.805.

24 (B) The priority for projects that are not project levee projects
25 undertaken pursuant to this subdivision shall be to preserve, protect,
26 and improve the levees to meet the agricultural levee standards as
27 provided in Department of Water Resources' Bulletin 192-82, and
28 as may be adjusted by the Department of Water Resources to
29 address increased flood risk due to sea level rise and climate
30 change.

31 (C) The priority for project levee projects undertaken pursuant
32 to this subdivision shall be to meet the operations, maintenance,
33 repair, rehabilitation, and replacement standards established by
34 the United States Army Corp of Engineers.

35 80549. Of the funds made available by Section 80540,
36 thirty-five million dollars (\$35,000,000) shall be available, upon
37 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Central Valley Flood
38 Protection Board for further development of the State Plan of Flood
39 Control, including the San Joaquin River and Sacramento Valley

1 flood risk management plans. The Central Valley Flood Protection
2 Board shall ensure equitable distribution of funds.

3 80550. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80540,
4 three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) shall be available,
5 upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the water board for grants
6 or loans for water recycling projects, including all of the following:

7 (1) Treatment, storage, conveyance, and distribution facilities
8 for potable and nonpotable recycling projects.

9 (2) Dedicated distribution infrastructure to serve residential,
10 commercial, agricultural, and industrial end-user retrofit projects
11 to allow use of recycled water.

12 (3) Multiple-benefit recycled water projects that improve water
13 quality.

14 (b) At least a 50-percent local cost share shall be required for
15 projects funded pursuant to this section. That cost share may be
16 suspended or reduced for disadvantaged communities or severely
17 disadvantaged communities.

18 (c) In allocating funding pursuant to this section, the water board
19 shall prioritize all of the following:

20 (1) Cost effectiveness.

21 (2) Projects that serve a regional population.

22 (3) Projects that include one or more partnerships between a
23 municipality, a regional sanitation district, or a regional water
24 distribution agency.

25 (4) Projects that reduce the discharge of wastewater to the ocean
26 and avoid or minimize adverse impacts to ocean resources.

27 (5) Projects that reduce reliance on water imports from the San
28 Francisco Bay-Delta and the Colorado River.

29 (6) Projects that advance innovation in recycled water
30 technology.

31 (7) Projects that use energy efficiently, avoid using excessive
32 amounts of energy in relation to the amount of water supplied, and
33 result in fewer greenhouse gas emissions as compared to competing
34 technologies.

35 80551. Of the funds made available by Section 80540, the sum
36 of twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) shall be available,
37 upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Department of Water
38 Resources for the implementation of the Open and Transparent
39 Water Data Act (Part 4.9 (commencing with Section 12400) of
40 Division 6 of the Water Code) to ensure data-informed water

1 management decisions during climatic extremes and periods of
2 scarcity. Funds may be used for grants to nonprofit organizations
3 or public agencies to support ongoing cross-sector collaboration
4 to advance open water data, identify critical water data gaps,
5 develop pilot projects or case studies to support data-informed
6 water management decisions, and develop best management
7 practices for water data collection and standards.

8
9 CHAPTER 5. PROTECTING FISH, WILDLIFE, AND NATURAL AREAS
10 FROM CLIMATE RISKS
11

12 80560. The sum of nine hundred forty million dollars
13 (\$940,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the
14 Legislature, to protect and restore natural lands to better maintain
15 biodiversity and ecosystem benefits as climate conditions change
16 and enhance fish and wildlife corridors and habitat linkages to
17 increase the ability of wildlife to adapt to changing climate
18 conditions.

19 80561. To the extent feasible in implementing this chapter, a
20 state agency receiving funding under this chapter shall seek to
21 achieve wildlife conservation objectives through projects on public
22 lands or voluntary projects on private lands. Projects on private
23 lands shall be evaluated based on the durability of the benefits
24 created by the investment.

25 80562. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80560, five
26 hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000) shall be available to the
27 Wildlife Conservation Board for the protection of California's fish
28 and wildlife resources in response to changing climate conditions,
29 as well as for restoration and stewardship projects that restore or
30 manage land or habitat to improve its resilience to climate impacts
31 and natural disasters. Eligible projects include, but are not limited
32 to, the following:

33 (1) Salmon and other fishery preservation, enhancement, and
34 habitat restoration projects.

35 (2) Projects to protect and restore wetlands and other fish and
36 wildlife habitat, including, but not limited to, habitat used by
37 migratory birds.

38 (3) Projects for the protection and restoration of fish and wildlife
39 corridors and habitat linkages, the construction or repair of
40 corridors, and the removal or modification of barriers. Projects

1 may include planning, monitoring, and data collection necessary
2 to track movement of wildlife around and across transportation
3 facilities and to establish the best locations to construct wildlife
4 crossing features, including fish passage improvements.

5 (4) Land acquisition projects, including, but not limited to, those
6 that protect land from development or prevent the conversion of
7 rangeland, grazing land, or grassland to nonagricultural uses.

8 (5) Projects for the protection of threatened and endangered
9 species, including projects within natural community conservation
10 plans adopted pursuant to the Natural Community Conservation
11 Planning Act (Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 2800) of
12 Division 3 of the Fish and Game Code) or habitat conservation
13 plans. Projects may include land acquisition through either
14 easement or fee title.

15 (6) Projects that include acquisition and delivery of water from
16 willing sellers, acquisition of land that includes water rights or
17 contractual rights to water, and other projects that provide water
18 or conveyance of water for fish and wildlife or improve aquatic
19 or riparian habitat conditions. Funds expended for any acquisition
20 of water or conveyance rights shall comply with Section 79709 of
21 the Water Code. Projects may include, but are not limited to,
22 projects to improve conditions on wildlife refuges and wetland
23 habitat areas in the central valley or Klamath Basin. Funds may
24 be used for projects to achieve full compliance with the terms of
25 subsection (d) of Section 3406 of the Central Valley Project
26 Improvement Act (Public Law 102-575).

27 (7) Projects for the development and implementation of regional
28 conservation investment strategies that include climate resilience
29 elements and are not otherwise funded by the state pursuant to
30 Section 800 of the Streets and Highways Code.

31 (8) Restoration activities to control or eradicate invasive plants
32 or insects that degrade wildlife corridors or habitat linkages, inhibit
33 the recovery of threatened or endangered species, or reduce the
34 climate resilience of a natural system and its species.

35 (9) Protection and restoration of redwood forests in order to
36 accelerate old growth characteristics, maximize carbon
37 sequestration, improve water quality, and build climate resilience.

38 (10) Protection and restoration of oak woodlands pursuant to
39 Section 1363 of the Fish and Game Code and grasslands pursuant
40 to Section 10330 of the Public Resources Code.

1 (11) Projects that protect, restore, and enhance desert habitat
2 consistent with the California Desert Conservation Program.

3 (b) The Wildlife Conservation Board shall prioritize projects
4 that address the impacts of climate change; provide public access
5 or recreational amenities; or reduce the threats of wildfire, drought,
6 flood, and other catastrophic events.

7 (c) Funding made available by subdivision (a) shall not be used
8 to offset environmental mitigation or compliance obligations
9 otherwise required, but may be used as part of a funding partnership
10 to enhance, expand, or augment conservation efforts required by
11 mitigation.

12 80563. Of the funds made available by Section 80560, fifty
13 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
14 by the Legislature, to the Wildlife Conservation Board for
15 groundwater sustainability projects that provide wildlife habitat.
16 Projects may support implementation of the Sustainable
17 Groundwater Management Act (Part 2.74 (commencing with
18 Section 10720) of Division 6 of the Water Code). Eligible projects
19 include, but are not limited to, the following:

20 (a) Projects that create, protect, or restore permanent wildlife
21 habitat.

22 (b) Projects that create, protect, or restore seasonal wetland
23 habitat that provides aquifer replenishment.

24 (c) Projects that improve groundwater supply, including
25 groundwater recharge, improved baseflows in rivers and streams,
26 and groundwater supply improvement for fish and wildlife habitat.

27 (d) Projects that convert land to less intensive water uses while
28 maintaining natural and working lands.

29 80564. Of the funds made available by Section 80560, fifty
30 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
31 by the Legislature, to the Department of Fish and Wildlife to
32 improve the climate resilience of fish and wildlife habitat. Eligible
33 projects include, but are not limited to, the following:

34 (a) Projects on lands managed by the Department of Fish and
35 Wildlife to reduce the risks of fire, flood, inundation, sea level
36 rise, and other risks associated with climate change and for the
37 protection and restoration of infrastructure and natural resources.

38 (b) Competitive grants for projects that enhance or restore inland
39 or anadromous native fish species habitat. Projects include, but
40 are not limited to, enhanced stream flows, improved fish passage,

1 reconnection of riverine and floodplain habitat, and other actions
2 to help fish adapt to climate change.

3 (c) Projects for the cleanup, remediation, and restoration of
4 environmental damage in watersheds affected by illegal cannabis
5 cultivation and related activities.

6 80565. (a) Of the funds made available pursuant to Section
7 80560, the sum of three hundred forty million dollars
8 (\$340,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the
9 Legislature, for climate resilience and reducing the risks of climate
10 change impacts upon communities, fish and wildlife, and natural
11 resources allocated in accordance with the following schedule:

12 (1) Baldwin Hills Conservancy, ten million dollars
13 (\$10,000,000).

14 (2) State Coastal Conservancy, fifty million dollars
15 (\$50,000,000), of which at least forty million dollars (\$40,000,000)
16 shall be available for the Santa Ana River Conservancy Program.

17 (3) California Tahoe Conservancy, thirty million dollars
18 (\$30,000,000).

19 (4) Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy, twenty million
20 dollars (\$20,000,000).

21 (5) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy, thirty million
22 dollars (\$30,000,000).

23 (6) San Diego River Conservancy, forty million dollars
24 (\$40,000,000).

25 (7) San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains
26 Conservancy, fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000).

27 (8) San Joaquin River Conservancy, ten million dollars
28 (\$10,000,000).

29 (9) Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, fifty million dollars
30 (\$50,000,000).

31 (10) Sierra Nevada Conservancy, fifty million dollars
32 (\$50,000,000).

33 (b) When issuing grants pursuant to this section, a conservancy
34 identified in subdivision (a) shall give preference to one or more
35 of the following:

36 (1) Projects that use natural infrastructure.

37 (2) Projects done jointly by more than one conservancy.

38 (3) Projects that maximize greenhouse gas reductions.

39 (4) The provision of technical assistance to disadvantaged
40 communities, severely disadvantaged communities, vulnerable

1 populations, including those with access and functional needs, or
2 socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers.

3 80566. (a) Before expending any of the funds allocated
4 pursuant to Section 80565, the Baldwin Hills Conservancy, State
5 Coastal Conservancy, California Tahoe Conservancy, Coachella
6 Valley Mountains Conservancy, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta
7 Conservancy, San Diego River Conservancy, San Gabriel and
8 Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy, San
9 Joaquin River Conservancy, Santa Monica Mountains
10 Conservancy, and Sierra Nevada Conservancy shall develop a
11 climate resilience plan that shall be adopted by each conservancy's
12 governing board. Each climate resilience plan shall do all of the
13 following:

14 (1) Describe how the impacts of climate change relate to the
15 conservancy's mission and how they will affect the lands within
16 its jurisdiction.

17 (2) Describe the conservancy's past investment and work
18 addressing the impacts of climate change, reducing greenhouse
19 gas emissions, and improving climate resilience.

20 (3) Outline a list of all projects or programs that the conservancy
21 would propose to fund with an allocation pursuant to Section
22 80565.

23 (4) Describe the potential benefits of each project or program
24 in increasing climate resilience and reducing the risks of climate
25 change impacts upon communities, fish and wildlife, and natural
26 resources.

27 (b) Each conservancy shall make the climate resilience plan
28 available on its internet website and provide the climate resilience
29 plan to the Natural Resources Agency.

30 (c) The climate resilience plan shall be consistent with any
31 related regional climate adaptation plans the conservancy is
32 participating in.

33
34 CHAPTER 6. PROTECTING FARMS, RANCHES, AND WORKING
35 LANDS FROM THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.
36

37 80570. The sum of three hundred twenty million dollars
38 (\$320,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the
39 Legislature, for purposes of protecting California's agricultural

1 resources, communities, open spaces, and lands from climate
2 change impacts.

3 80571. Of the funds made available by Section 80570, one
4 hundred sixty million dollars (\$160,000,000) shall be available,
5 upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Department of Food
6 and Agriculture for improvements in climate resilience of
7 agricultural lands and ecosystem health and allocated to eligible
8 projects as follows:

9 (a) (1) Fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available
10 for grants to promote practices on farms and ranches that improve
11 soil health, accelerate atmospheric carbon removal or soil carbon
12 sequestration, improve air or water quality, enhance groundwater
13 recharge or surface water supplies, or improve fish or wildlife
14 habitat.

15 (2) At least 35 percent of the funds allocated pursuant to this
16 subdivision shall be allocated to projects that provide direct and
17 meaningful benefits to farmers and ranchers in disadvantaged
18 communities or severely disadvantaged communities.

19 (3) Preference shall be given to small- and medium-sized farms
20 and socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers.

21 (b) (1) Forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) shall be available
22 for grants to promote on-farm water use efficiency with a focus
23 on multiple-benefit projects that improve groundwater
24 management, resilience to climate change, water quality, surface
25 water use efficiency, drought tolerance and flood protection, or
26 water supply and water quality conditions for fish and wildlife.

27 (2) At least 35 percent of the funds allocated pursuant to this
28 subdivision shall be allocated to projects that provide direct and
29 meaningful benefits to farmers and ranchers in disadvantaged
30 communities or severely disadvantaged communities.

31 (3) Preference shall be given to small- and medium-sized farms
32 and socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers.

33 (c) (1) Forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) shall be available
34 for projects that promote the reduction of methane emissions from
35 dairy and livestock operations and improved water quality through
36 manure management and handling, including, but not limited to,
37 the creation of composted manure products.

38 (2) Preference shall be given to small- and medium-sized farms
39 and socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers.

1 (d) Twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) shall be deposited in
2 the Invasive Species Account established pursuant to Section 7706
3 of the Food and Agricultural Code for purposes of funding invasive
4 species projects and activities recommended by the Invasive
5 Species Council of California. Priority shall be given to projects
6 that restore and protect biodiversity and ecosystem health.

7 (e) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) shall be available to fund
8 improvements and enhancements to pollinator habitat and forage.

9 80572. Of the funds made available by Section 80570, one
10 hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available, upon
11 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Department of Food and
12 Agriculture for grants that benefit small- and medium-sized farms
13 and socially disadvantaged farmers, and increase the sustainability
14 of agricultural infrastructure and facilities that support food
15 systems, market access, agricultural workforce development,
16 worker safety equipment, or job retention and growth.

17 80573. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80570, fifty
18 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
19 by the Legislature, to the Department of Conservation for projects
20 for the protection, restoration, and enhancement of farmland and
21 rangeland, including, but not limited to, the acquisition of fee title
22 or easements, that improve climate resilience, open-space soil
23 health, atmospheric carbon removal, soil carbon sequestration,
24 erosion control, watershed restoration, conservation projects, water
25 quality, or water retention. Projects shall provide multiple benefits.
26 In awarding funds for farmland and rangeland projects pursuant
27 to this section, the Department of Conservation shall give
28 preference to projects for small- and medium-sized farms.

29 (b) The Department of Conservation may develop guidelines
30 to allow for innovative incentives to support multigenerational
31 farmland transitions, entry of new farmers into the sector, or
32 support for small or socially disadvantaged farms. The Department
33 of Conservation may expend up to 20 percent of the funds made
34 available pursuant to this section for projects funded under these
35 guidelines.

36 (c) At least 35 percent of the funds allocated pursuant to this
37 section shall be allocated to projects that provide direct and
38 meaningful benefits to farmers and ranchers in disadvantaged
39 communities or severely disadvantaged communities.

(d) The Department of Conservation shall maximize grant timeline flexibility for the funds made available pursuant to this section to ensure that applicants have multiple opportunities to apply for funding throughout each year.

80574. Of the funds made available by Section 80570, ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) shall be available to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the purpose of recovering and sustaining populations of monarch butterflies and other pollinators.

CHAPTER 7. RESPONDING TO EXTREME HEAT

80580. The sum of seven hundred twenty-five million dollars (\$725,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for the purposes of strengthening California's climate resilience and mitigation strategies to address increasing temperatures and extreme heat events through investments in parks, urban green infrastructure, and community forestry projects.

80581. (a) The sum of four hundred million dollars (\$400,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the creation and expansion of safe neighborhood parks in park-poor neighborhoods in accordance with the Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Act of 2008's competitive grant program described in Chapter 3.3 (commencing with Section 5640) of Division 5.

(1) When developing or revising criteria or guidelines for the grant program, the department shall give additional consideration to projects that reduce urban heat island effect or mitigate increasing temperatures and extreme heat events.

(2) The department shall perform its due diligence by conducting a rigorous prequalification process to determine the fiscal and operational capacity of a potential grant recipient to manage a project to do both of the following:

(A) Maximize the project's public benefit.

(B) Implement the project in a timely manner.

(b) Of the amount available pursuant to subdivision (a), not less than 20 percent shall be available for the rehabilitation, repurposing, or substantial improvement of existing park infrastructure in communities of the state that will lead to increased use and enhanced user experiences or increase access for

1 individuals with disabilities, as defined by the federal Americans
2 with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.).

3 (c) Of the amount available pursuant to subdivision (a), to
4 correct historic underinvestment in the central valley, Inland
5 Empire, gateway, rural, and desert communities, the sum of fifty
6 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available for local park
7 creation and improvement grants to the communities identified by
8 the department as park deficient for active recreational projects,
9 including aquatic centers, to encourage youth health, fitness, and
10 recreational pursuits. Projects that include the partial or full
11 donation of land, materials, or volunteer services and that
12 demonstrate collaborations of multiple entities and the leveraging
13 of scarce resources may be given special consideration. Entities
14 that receive a grant under this section may also be eligible to
15 receive other grants under subdivision (a) of Section 80526.

16 80582. Of the funds made available by Section 80580, one
17 hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available, upon
18 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Natural Resources Agency
19 for competitive grants for urban greening. Projects shall benefit
20 vulnerable populations. These funds shall support projects that
21 mitigate the urban heat island effect, rising temperatures, and
22 extreme heat impacts. Eligible projects may include, but are not
23 limited to, investments that support an expanded urban greening
24 program that supports the creation of green recreational parks in
25 park poor communities.

26 80583. Of the funds made available by Section 80580,
27 seventy-five million dollars (\$75,000,000) shall be available, upon
28 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Department of Forestry
29 and Fire Protection to protect or augment California's urban forests
30 pursuant to Section 4799.12. Projects shall contribute to mitigating
31 the urban heat island effect and extreme heat impacts.

32 80584. Of the funds made available by Section 80580, fifty
33 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
34 by the Legislature, to the Department of Community Services and
35 Development for low-income weatherization projects consistent
36 with Section 12087.5 of the Government Code.

37 80585. Of the funds made available by Section 80580, one
38 hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available, upon
39 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Strategic Growth Council
40 for a grant program to reduce the urban heat island effect and other

1 extreme heat impacts from climate change. Eligible projects shall
2 mitigate the impacts of the urban heat island effect and extreme
3 heat through any of the following: the use of reflective surface
4 materials in the built environment, the capture and beneficial reuse
5 of water for cooling, the increased use of natural or man-made
6 shade, and the reduction of heat-trapping surfaces. Projects shall
7 benefit disadvantaged communities, severely disadvantaged
8 communities, or vulnerable populations. Priority shall be given to
9 projects that provide multiple benefits, including, but not limited
10 to, projects that do more than one of any of the following: capture
11 rainwater, reduce stormwater pollution, use cool roofs and
12 pavements, use shade structures, or increase the use of natural
13 spaces for urban vegetation and forestry.

14 80586. At least 10 percent of the funds available pursuant to
15 this chapter shall be allocated for grants that provide outreach and
16 technical assistance that directly benefit disadvantaged
17 communities and vulnerable communities. An eligible applicant
18 is a nonprofit organization, technical assistance provider, or tribe.

19
20 CHAPTER 8. STRENGTHENING CALIFORNIA'S REGIONAL CLIMATE
21 RESILIENCE
22

23 80590. The sum of one billion one hundred ten million dollars
24 (\$1,110,000,000) shall be made available, upon appropriation by
25 the Legislature, for the purposes of strengthening California's
26 climate resilience based on regional needs.

27 80591. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80590,
28 eight hundred fifty million dollars (\$850,000,000) shall be
29 available, upon appropriation of the Legislature, to the Strategic
30 Growth Council for climate resilience and the reduction in the risk
31 of climate impacts to communities, including, but not limited to,
32 wildfire, sea level rise, drought, flood, increasing temperatures,
33 and extreme heat events. The goal of these funds is to encourage
34 the development and implementation of science- and
35 research-informed multiple-benefit, cross-sector projects that
36 respond to each region's greatest climate vulnerabilities.

37 (b) Funds shall be available to regional climate networks to
38 implement the highest priority projects identified in approved
39 regional climate adaptation action plans.

1 (c) Funds shall be for public benefits associated with climate
2 resilience projects that reduce climate vulnerabilities.

3 (d) Funds shall be allocated to regional climate networks, as
4 follows:

5 (1) At least 60 percent of funds shall be available to regional
6 climate networks based on the percentage of the state's population
7 included in the jurisdiction of the network's regional climate
8 adaptation action plan, but not less than two million dollars
9 (\$2,000,000) per network.

10 (2) The remaining funds may be provided to increase the size
11 of the awards under paragraph (1) to the extent the approved
12 regional climate adaptation action plan does any of the following:

13 (A) Protects disadvantaged communities, severely disadvantaged
14 communities, under-resourced communities, or vulnerable
15 populations.

16 (B) Protects natural resources prioritized by the state.

17 (C) Enhances statewide climate adaptation and resilience
18 strategies, as identified by the most recent update of the
19 Safeguarding California Plan developed by the Natural Resources
20 Agency.

21 (D) Reduces or sequesters carbon emissions.

22 (E) Scales to maximize effectiveness of response.

23 (F) Includes information regarding the regional climate
24 network's ability to secure matching funds for projects identified
25 within the plan.

26 (G) Prioritizes technical assistance to disadvantaged
27 communities, severely disadvantaged communities, vulnerable
28 populations, under-resourced communities, including those with
29 access and functional needs or with at-risk infrastructure, or both,
30 socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers, and economically
31 distressed areas.

32 80592. Of the funds made available by Section 80590, one
33 hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available, upon
34 appropriation by the Legislature, to the Strategic Growth Council
35 for the implementation of the Transformative Climate Communities
36 Program established pursuant to Section 75240 for projects that
37 address wildfire, flood, drought, heat, air pollution, and other
38 climate risks and that improve the resilience of local communities.

39 80592.5. Of the funds made available by Section 80590, fifty
40 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation

1 by the Legislature, to the Strategic Growth Council for
2 implementation of multijurisdictional projects led by countywide
3 special districts created for the purpose of building resiliency to
4 the impacts of sea level rise and extreme storms.

5 80593. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 80590, fifty
6 million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation
7 by the Legislature, to the Office of Emergency Services and the
8 Strategic Growth Council for competitive grants for the creation
9 of strategically located community resilience centers across diverse
10 regions of the state at eligible community facilities. These grants
11 shall be awarded to eligible community facilities that model
12 integrated delivery of emergency response services during
13 disruptions, including zero-emission backup power, drinking water,
14 clean air, cooling, food storage, shelter, telecommunications and
15 broadband services, economic assistance, and other health
16 protection measures and emergency resources during a disaster,
17 state of emergency, local emergency, or public safety power shutoff
18 event. Grants shall be prioritized to proposed centers that
19 demonstrate involvement of community-based organizations and
20 community residents within governance and decisionmaking
21 processes.

22 (b) The Office of Emergency Services and the Strategic Growth
23 Council shall coordinate with the Department of Food and
24 Agriculture to ensure there is no duplication with funding awarded
25 under Section 80594.

26 (c) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

27 (1) "Eligible community facilities" include senior and youth
28 centers, park and recreation sites, libraries, health clinics, hospitals,
29 schools, town halls, food banks, homeless shelters, childcare
30 facilities, community centers, community nonprofit facilities
31 providing essential services, places of worship, grocery stores,
32 mobile sites, community land trusts, and fairgrounds.

33 (2) "Public safety power shutoff" means a preventative measure
34 to deenergize all, or a portion, of an electric generation,
35 distribution, or transmission system when the electricity provider
36 reasonably believes there is an imminent and significant risk that
37 strong winds, or other extreme and potentially dangerous weather
38 events, increase the probability of a wildfire.

39 80594. Of the funds made available by Section 80590, sixty
40 million dollars (\$60,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation

1 by the Legislature, to the Department of Food and Agriculture for
2 grants to fairgrounds operated by the network of California fairs
3 for modifications or upgrades that do one or both of the following
4 activities:

5 (a) Enhance the ability of those facilities to serve as multirole
6 community, staging, and evacuation centers to provide community
7 resilience benefits during a disaster, state of emergency, local
8 emergency, or public safety power shutoff event.

9 (b) Deploy communications and broadband infrastructure at
10 those facilities to improve their capability to serve as a multirole
11 community, staging, and evacuation centers and enhance local
12 telecommunications service.

13 80595. At least 10 percent of the funds available pursuant to
14 this chapter shall be allocated for grants that provide outreach and
15 technical assistance that directly benefit disadvantaged
16 communities, under-resourced communities, and vulnerable
17 communities. An eligible applicant is a nonprofit organization,
18 technical assistance provider, or tribe.

19
20 CHAPTER 9. FISCAL PROVISIONS
21

22 80600. (a) Bonds in the total amount of seven billion four
23 hundred thirty million dollars (\$7,430,000,000), not including the
24 amount of any refunding bonds issued in accordance with Section
25 80612, may be issued and sold for carrying out the purposes
26 expressed in this division and to reimburse the General Obligation
27 Bond Expense Revolving Fund pursuant to Section 16724.5 of the
28 Government Code. The bonds, when sold, issued, and delivered,
29 shall be and constitute a valid and binding obligation of the State
30 of California, and the full faith and credit of the State of California
31 is hereby pledged for the punctual payment of both the principal
32 of, and interest on, the bonds as the principal and interest become
33 due and payable.

34 (b) The Treasurer shall cause the issuance and sell the bonds
35 authorized by the committee pursuant to subdivision (a) in the
36 amount determined by the committee to be necessary or desirable
37 pursuant to Section 80603. The bonds shall be issued and sold
38 upon the terms and conditions specified in a resolution to be
39 adopted by the committee pursuant to Section 16731 of the
40 Government Code.

1 80601. The bonds authorized by this division shall be prepared,
2 executed, issued, sold, paid, and redeemed as provided in the State
3 General Obligation Bond Law (Chapter 4 (commencing with
4 Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government
5 Code), as amended from time to time, and all of the provisions of
6 that law, except subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 16727 of the
7 Government Code, apply to the bonds and to this division and are
8 hereby incorporated in this division as though set forth in full in
9 this division.

10 80602. (a) Solely for the purpose of authorizing the issuance
11 and sale, pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law
12 (Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division
13 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code), of the bonds authorized by
14 this division, the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention,
15 Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation,
16 and Workforce Development Bond Finance Committee is hereby
17 created. For purposes of this division, the Safe Drinking Water,
18 Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection,
19 Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond
20 Finance Committee is the “committee,” as that term is used in the
21 State General Obligation Bond Law.

22 (b) The committee consists of the Director of Finance, the
23 Treasurer, the Controller, and the Secretary of the Natural
24 Resources Agency. Notwithstanding any other law, any member
25 may designate a representative to act as that member in that
26 member’s place for all purposes, as though the member were
27 personally present.

28 (c) The Treasurer shall serve as the chairperson of the
29 committee.

30 (d) A majority of the committee may act for the committee.

31 80603. The committee shall by resolution determine whether
32 or not it is necessary or desirable to issue and sell bonds authorized
33 by this division in order to carry out the actions specified in this
34 division and, if so, the amount of bonds to be issued and sold.
35 Successive issues of bonds may be authorized and sold to carry
36 out those actions progressively, and it is not necessary that all of
37 the bonds authorized to be issued be sold at any one time.

38 80604. For purposes of the State General Obligation Bond Law
39 (Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division
40 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code), “board,” as defined in

1 Section 16722 of the Government Code, means the Secretary of
2 the Natural Resources Agency.

3 80605. There shall be collected each year and in the same
4 manner and at the same time as other state revenue is collected,
5 in addition to the ordinary revenues of the state, a sum in an amount
6 required to pay the principal of, and interest on, the bonds
7 becoming due in that year. It is the duty of all officers charged by
8 law with any duty regarding the collection of the revenue to do
9 and perform each and every act that is necessary to collect that
10 additional sum.

11 80606. Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government
12 Code, there is hereby continuously appropriated from the General
13 Fund in the State Treasury, for the purposes of this division, and
14 without regard to fiscal years, an amount that will equal the total
15 of the following:

16 (a) The sum annually necessary to pay the principal of, and
17 interest on, bonds issued and sold pursuant to this division, as the
18 principal and interest become due and payable.

19 (b) The sum that is necessary to carry out Section 80609.

20 80607. The board may request the Pooled Money Investment
21 Board to make a loan from the Pooled Money Investment Account
22 or any other form of interim financing in accordance with Section
23 16312 of the Government Code, for the purpose of carrying out
24 this division. The amount of the request shall not exceed the
25 amount of the unsold bonds that the committee has, by resolution,
26 authorized to be sold for the purpose of carrying out this division,
27 excluding any refunding bonds authorized pursuant to Section
28 80612, less any amount loaned and not yet repaid pursuant to this
29 section and any amount withdrawn from the General Fund pursuant
30 to Section 80609 and not yet returned to the General Fund. The
31 board shall execute those documents required by the Pooled Money
32 Investment Board to obtain and repay the loan. Any amounts
33 loaned shall be deposited in the fund to be allocated in accordance
34 with this division.

35 80608. Notwithstanding any other provision of this division,
36 or of the State General Obligation Bond Law (Chapter 4
37 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title
38 2 of the Government Code), if the Treasurer sells bonds pursuant
39 to this chapter that include a bond counsel opinion to the effect
40 that the interest on the bonds is excluded from gross income for

1 federal tax purposes under designated conditions or is otherwise
2 entitled to any federal tax advantage, the Treasurer may maintain
3 separate accounts for the bond proceeds invested and for the
4 investment earnings on those proceeds and may use or direct the
5 use of those proceeds or earnings to pay any rebate, penalty, or
6 other payment required under federal law or take any other action
7 with respect to the investment and use of those bond proceeds, as
8 may be required or desirable under federal law in order to maintain
9 the tax-exempt status of those bonds and to obtain any other
10 advantage under federal law on behalf of the funds of this state.

11 80609. For purposes of carrying out this division, the Director
12 of Finance may authorize the withdrawal from the General Fund
13 of an amount or amounts not to exceed the amount of the unsold
14 bonds that have been authorized by the committee to be sold for
15 the purpose of carrying out this division, excluding refunding
16 bonds authorized pursuant to Section 80612, less any amount
17 loaned pursuant to Section 80607 and not yet repaid and any
18 amount withdrawn from the General Fund pursuant to this section
19 and not yet returned to the General Fund. Any amounts withdrawn
20 shall be deposited in the fund to be allocated in accordance with
21 this division. Any moneys made available under this section shall
22 be returned to the General Fund, with interest at the rate earned
23 by the moneys in the Pooled Money Investment Account, from
24 proceeds received from the sale of bonds for the purpose of
25 carrying out this division.

26 80610. All moneys deposited in the fund that are derived from
27 premiums and accrued interest on bonds sold pursuant to this
28 division shall be reserved in the fund and shall be available for
29 transfer to the General Fund as a credit to expenditures for bond
30 interest, except that amounts derived from premiums may be
31 reserved and used to pay costs of bond issuance before any transfer
32 to the General Fund.

33 80611. Pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law
34 (Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division
35 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code), the cost of bond issuance
36 shall be paid or reimbursed out of the bond proceeds, including
37 premiums, if any. To the extent the cost of bond issuance is not
38 paid from premiums received from the sale of bonds, these costs
39 shall be allocated proportionally to each program funded through
40 this division by the applicable bond sale.

1 80612. The bonds issued and sold pursuant to this division
2 may be refunded in accordance with Article 6 (commencing with
3 Section 16780) of Chapter 4 of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of
4 the Government Code, which is a part of the State General
5 Obligation Bond Law, as amended. Approval by the voters of the
6 state for the issuance of the bonds under this division shall include
7 approval of the issuance, sale, or exchange of any bonds issued to
8 refund any bonds originally issued under this division or any
9 previously issued refunding bonds. Any bond refunded with the
10 proceeds of a refunding bond as authorized by this section may be
11 legally defeased to the extent permitted by law in the manner and
12 to the extent set forth in the resolution, as amended from time to
13 time, authorizing that refunded bond.

14 80613. Notwithstanding Section 16727 of the Government
15 Code, funds provided pursuant to this division may be used for
16 grants and loans to nonprofit organizations to repay financing
17 described in Section 22064 of the Financial Code related to projects
18 that are consistent with the purpose of the respective provisions
19 of this division.

20 80614. The proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this
21 division are not “proceeds of taxes” as that term is used in Article
22 XIII B of the California Constitution, and the disbursement of
23 these proceeds is not subject to the limitations imposed by that
24 article.

25 80615. Bonds issued under this division shall, whenever
26 practical, be aligned with generally recognized principles and best
27 practice guidelines for financing climate mitigation, adaptation,
28 or resilience projects.

29 SEC. 3. Section 2 of this act shall take effect upon the approval
30 by the voters of the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention,
31 Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation,
32 and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022, as set forth in
33 Section 2 of this act.

34 SEC. 4. (a) (1) Notwithstanding Sections 9040, 9043, 9044,
35 9061, and 9082 of the Elections Code, or any other law, Section
36 2 of this act shall be submitted by the Secretary of State to the
37 voters at the ~~June 7, November 8, 2022, statewide primary~~ *general*
38 election.

39 (2) The requirement of Section 9040 of the Elections Code that
40 a measure submitted to the people by the Legislature appear on

1 the ballot of the first statewide election occurring at least 131 days
2 after the adoption of the proposal by the Legislature shall not apply
3 to Section 2 of this act.

4 (b) The Secretary of State shall include in the ballot pamphlets
5 mailed pursuant to Section 9094 of the Elections Code the
6 information specified in Section 9084 of the Elections Code
7 regarding Section 2 of this act. If that inclusion is not possible, the
8 Secretary of State shall publish a supplemental ballot pamphlet
9 regarding Section 2 of this act to be mailed with the ballot
10 pamphlet. If the supplemental ballot pamphlet cannot be mailed
11 with the ballot pamphlet, the supplemental ballot pamphlet shall
12 be mailed separately.

13 (c) Notwithstanding Section 9054 of the Elections Code or any
14 other law, the translations of the ballot title and the condensed
15 statement of the ballot title required pursuant to Section 9054 of
16 the Elections Code for Section 2 of this act may be made available
17 for public examination at a later date than the start of the public
18 examination period for the ballot pamphlet.

19 (d) Notwithstanding Sections 13115 and 13117 of the Elections
20 Code, Section 2 of this act and any other measure placed on the
21 ballot by the Legislature for the ~~June 7, November 8, 2022,~~
22 statewide ~~primary~~ *general* election after the 131-day deadline set
23 forth in Section 9040 of the Elections Code shall be placed on the
24 ballot, following all other ballot measures, in the order in which
25 they qualified as determined by chapter number.

26 SEC. 5. The provisions of this act are severable. If any
27 provision of this act or its application is held invalid, that invalidity
28 shall not affect other provisions or applications that can be given
29 effect without the invalid provision or application.

30 SEC. 6. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
31 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within
32 the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall
33 go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

34 Because the state is again facing severe drought conditions, it
35 is necessary for this act to take effect immediately so that the voters
36 of the state can approve this act at the ~~June 7, November 8, 2022,~~
37 statewide ~~primary~~ *general* election to ensure the state can better

- 1 prepare for, and respond to, the impacts of climate change in an
- 2 expeditious manner.

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