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Christopher Childers
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NOTICE OF AWARD

Clear Lake Hitch Habitat Improvement Planning and Design in Cole Creek, Big Valley Basin, Lake County, CA, USA

Dear Christopher Childers:

We are pleased to inform you that your proposal, Clear Lake Hitch Habitat Improvement Planning and Design in Cole Creek, Big Valley Basin, Lake County, CA, USA, has been selected by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for the Restoration Grant Programs: Nature Based Solutions – Wildlife Corridors. This letter serves as CDFW's award of up to \$500,122 under the FY 2022-23 State Budget Act to support this important initiative to expand nature-based solutions across California and accelerate fish and wildlife corridor projects.

Please note:

1. You cannot incur any contract costs for work done prior to the execution date of the grant agreement – we anticipate grant agreements being executed no sooner than August 15, 2025.
2. Your agreement is not a valid legal document until you receive a fully executed copy, signed by both parties.
3. This agreement may be subject to revision or suspension due to continuing budgetary uncertainties.
4. Grant agreements must be completed by March 1, 2028.

Your CDFW Grant Manager, Kelsey Vella, will soon contact you to discuss the grant agreement development process and next steps.

To expedite the grant process, please also provide the following forms to CDFW as soon as possible.

1. Drug-Free Workplace Certification (STD. 21)
(<http://www.documents.dgs.ca.gov/dgs/fmc/pdf/std021.pdf>)
2. Payee Data Record form (STD. 204) and/or Payee Data Record Supplement (STD. 205)
<https://www.documents.dgs.ca.gov/dgs/fmc/pdf/std204.pdf>
<https://www.documents.dgs.ca.gov/dgs/fmc/pdf/std205.pdf>
3. 501(c)(3) Certification (for non-profit organizations)
4. An authorizing resolution from your governing body that confirms its approval of the projects and grant monies (if applicable).

Completed forms should be submitted to [REDACTED]

Finally, attached is a copy of CDFW's General Grant Provisions, which outlines our terms and conditions for entering into a grant agreement and will be attached to the final agreement.

Should you have questions regarding the process, you may contact Elizabeth Buttler at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

Sincerely,



Matt Wells, Branch Chief
Watershed Restoration Grants Branch

Attachment:
CDFW General Grant Provisions