

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
**Budget Change Proposal - Cover Sheet**  
 DF-46 (REV 08/15)

Fiscal Year 2016-2017	Business Unit 3720	Department California Coastal Commission	Priority No. SFL-1
Budget Request Name 3720-020-BCP-BR-2016-A1		Program <b>2730</b>	Subprogram

Budget Request Description  
 Climate Resilience Projects

Budget Request Summary

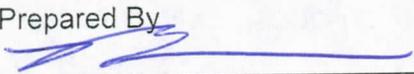
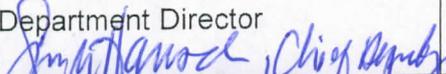
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Requires Legislation <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Code Section(s) to be Added/Amended/Repealed	
Does this BCP contain information technology (IT) components? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, departmental Chief Information Officer must sign.</i>	Department CIO	Date

For IT requests, specify the date a Special Project Report (SPR) or Feasibility Study Report (FSR) was approved by the Department of Technology, or previously by the Department of Finance.

FSR       SPR      Project No.      Date:

If proposal affects another department, does other department concur with proposal?     Yes     No  
*Attach comments of affected department, signed and dated by the department director or designee.*

Prepared By 	Date 3/24/16	Reviewed By 	Date 3/24/2016
Department Director  Chief Deputy	Date 3/24/2016	Agency Secretary 	Date 3/24/16

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Additional Review:  Capital Outlay     ITCU     FSCU     OSAE     CALSTARS     Dept. of Technology

BCP Type:       Policy       Workload Budget per Government Code 13308.05

PPBA	Original Signed by <b>Amanda Martin</b>	Date submitted to the Legislature 4-1-16
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### **A. Budget Request Summary**

The Coastal Commission requests \$500,000 Coastal Trust Fund for Climate Change Adaptation and Climate Resiliency planning and project work. These funds were originally part of the enacted budget for FY14-15 as a transfer from the Environmental License Plate Fund to the Coastal Trust Fund for these purposes. Due to shortfalls in the ELPF for FY14-15, the Commission was directed to not to spend \$500,000 in FY14-15. These funds were ultimately not needed to correct the ELPF shortfall, and the Commission requests an appropriation for their intended use.

This Spring Finance Letter (SFL) would include the \$500,000 in Coastal Trust Fund from FY14-15 in the budget for FY16-17 with the \$500,000 in ELFP state operations funds for Climate Resiliency available for the Commission's use on a range of Climate Change Adaptation and Climate Resiliency planning and project work.

### **B. Background/History**

For FY 14-15, the Legislature added ELPF funding to the budgets of the Coastal Commission, San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, and the State Coastal Conservancy for climate resiliency work. This initiative resulted from the work of a select committee chaired by Assemblymember Gordon. The Coastal Commission's FY14-15 approved budget included \$500,000 in ELPF funds to the Coastal Resiliency account. The Commission had planned to use these funds for a variety of climate change adaptation work. The ELFP Account had a shortfall in FY14-15 and the Commission was directed not to spend the fund and advised by Resources and DOF that the Commission may be able to spend the fund in the future.

In working with Resources and DOF to address this issue, it was determined that the \$500,000 from ELPF was not needed to address ELPF insolvency and is available to be included in the Commission's FY16-17 budget as state operations for use on climate resiliency issues. These funds are important to the Coastal Commission's climate adaptation work and it is essential to fulfill the expectations of the Legislature regarding increased effort on coastal climate resiliency.

### **C. State Level Considerations**

Climate change adaptation and climate resiliency are significant issues to the Governor, the State of California, the Legislature and the Coastal Commission. The Coastal Commission's Strategic Plan (unanimously adopted April 2013), includes *Goal 3: Address climate change through LCP Planning, coastal permitting, Interagency collaboration, and Public Education.*

This major goal includes numerous objectives and specific actions to address climate change issues. The \$500,000 for climate resiliency will be used to implement actions identified in Goal 3 of the Commission's adopted Strategic Plan.

#### **D. Justification**

This Spring Finance Letter BCP would appropriate the previously authorized, but deferred expenditure of funds transferred to the Coastal Act Fund from the ELPF. Approval of this BCP would support important climate change work envisioned by the Legislature's initiation of this funding allocation. The Coastal Commission's Whale Tail® License Plate is a significant source of revenue to the ELPF. As of January 1, 2016, 234,500 California drivers had purchased the Commission's Whale Tail® License Plate. Plate sales and renewal fees had raised \$87.4 million for environmental programs--\$25.2 million to the California Beach and Coastal Enhancement Account (CBCEA) and \$62.2 million to the Environmental License Plate Fund (ELPF). In 2015 alone, the Plate raised over \$1.5 million for the CBCEA, and over \$4 million for the ELPF. The Commission clearly contributes significantly to the revenue of the ELPF.

#### **E. Outcomes and Accountability**

The outcome of the BCP is that there would be \$500,000 in Coastal Trust Fund (8029) funding available for enhanced Commission work on climate change. The Commission will use the funds to implement a range of climate change tasks in the adopted Strategic Plan. At the end of FY 16-17, the Commission will prepare a summary of how the funds were used and the accomplishments made.

#### **F. Analysis of All Feasible Alternatives.**

**Alternative No. 1 – Approve \$500,000 in Coastal Act Fund funding For FY16-17 for coastal climate resiliency work.** (Preferred alternative). This Spring Finance Letter BCP would re-appropriate transferred ELPF funds originally appropriated in FY14-15 and were not available due to ELPF shortfalls. This would allow the Commission to accomplish critical deferred climate resiliency work in FY16-17.

**Alternative No. 2 – Deny request and do not authorize \$500,000 in ELPF funding for climate resiliency work.** This alternative is the status quo No Action and is not a desirable outcome for the Coastal Commission's climate work or for the Legislature that initiated this funding for Climate Resiliency work.

**G. Implementation Plan**

This funding will be used in FY16-17 to carry out a range of climate change planning and projects outlined in the Commission's adopted Strategic Plan. Implementation will begin as soon as the FY16-17 Budget is approved and the fiscal year begins July 1, 2016.

**H. Supplemental Information**

None.

**I. Recommendation**

The Coastal Commission respectfully recommends the approval of \$500,000 Coastal Trust Fund for state operations for climate resiliency work. The funds will be used as originally described in the approved FY14-15 budget. Specific projects will be consistent with the Commission's adopted Strategic Plan and the Resources Agency's *Safeguarding California Plan*.

# BCP Fiscal Detail Sheet

BCP Title: Climate Resilience Projects

DP Name: 3720-020-BCP-DP-2016-A1

## Budget Request Summary

	FY16					
	CY	BY	BY+1	BY+2	BY+3	BY+4
Operating Expenses and Equipment						
5301 - General Expense	0	500	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Operating Expenses and Equipment</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Budget Request</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Fund Summary

Fund Source - State Operations						
8029 - Coastal Trust Fund	0	500	0	0	0	0
<b>Total State Operations Expenditures</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Program Summary

Program Funding						
2730019 - Local Coastal Program	0	500	0	0	0	0
<b>Total All Programs</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>