

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

Fiscal Year 16-17	Business Unit 3845	Department San Diego River Conservancy	Priority No. 1
Budget Request Name 3845-300-BCP-BR-2016-A1		Program <b>3140-SAN DIEGO RIVER CONSERVANCY</b>	Subprogram

Budget Request Description  
 Reimbursement authority for local assistance and capital outlay

**Budget Request Summary**

The San Diego River Conservancy requests \$1 Million in reimbursement authority to fully implement projects funded by grants.

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 No	Code Section(s) to be Added/Amended/Repealed	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 Julia Richards	Date 2/16/16	Reviewed By	Date
Department Director 	Date 3/24/16	Agency Secretary 	Date 3/28/16

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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 Amanda Martin	Date submitted to the Legislature 4-1-16
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## Analysis of Problem

### A. Budget Request Summary

The San Diego River Conservancy requests \$1 Million in reimbursement authority to fully implement projects funded by other state agency grants. The funds appropriated in this item shall be available for expenditure of local assistance or capital outlay.

### B. Background/History

The San Diego River Conservancy was established by the California Legislature in 2002. The Conservancy's mission is to preserve, protect and enhance the San Diego River watershed and surrounding communities as set forth in the San Diego River Conservancy Act (Act), Public Resources Code, sections 32630 – 32658.

The Conservancy has applied for and received multiple grants over the past 7 years in furtherance of the Act and supported the Conservancy's strategic plan. These grant funded projects range from recreation (construction of trails) to preservation/restoration of resources (invasive removal program and habitat restoration).

The San Diego River Conservancy has a history of having \$1 Million in reimbursement authority for capital projects going back several years (FY 14/15, FY 13/14, FY 12/13, and FY 11/12). The Conservancy has historically relied on the reimbursement authority to obtain grant funds from other state agencies and then issue grants or procurements for projects.

Recent capital projects include the State Coastal Conservancy grants for invasive non-native plant removal and control, design and permitting a segment of San Diego River Trail (Mission Valley area), and implementation of Phase I of the Junipero Serra Museum Interpretive Master Plan. In addition, the California Natural Resources Agency recently funded two grants for design and construction of two segments of the San Diego River Trail and one issued grant for invasive plant removal and control.

### C. State Level Considerations

This request will provide reimbursement authority to allow for reimbursement funding for projects that are consistent with the Conservancy's mission to restore and conserve the San Diego River Area by (1) acquiring, managing and conserving land; and (2) protecting or providing recreational opportunities, open space, wildlife species and habitat, wetlands, water quality, natural flood conveyance, historical / cultural resources, and educational opportunities is consistent with the San Diego River Conservancy Act. **Providing reimbursement authority is consistent with past practices and consistent with the funding the Conservancy has received.** There will be no negative impacts as a result of this proposal and no concerns have been raised.

### D. Justification

The Conservancy's current operating budget is derived solely from the Environmental License Plate Fund which pays staff salaries and operation expenses but does not provide any funding for capital projects. Reimbursement authority is needed to allow the Conservancy to continue to fund projects to meet its statutory objectives by obtaining funds from other agencies and groups. This request is for reimbursement authority since the Conservancy has increased its business activity by implementing projects along the San Diego River in support of its mission.

### E. Outcomes and Accountability

If approved the San Diego River Conservancy will continue to focus on working with partners to apply to other grant programs to fund projects consistent with the Conservancy's mission. The reimbursement authority provides additional opportunities to enhance the Conservancy's programs and fund projects in the San Diego River area.

## Analysis of Problem

### F. Analysis of All Feasible Alternatives

Approval of the reimbursement authority and provisional language to provide increased flexibility allows the Conservancy to meet its existing grant obligations, implement projects and apply for future grant opportunities.

Denial of reimbursement authority – The Conservancy will not be able to implement its grant funded projects, apply for current or future grant funded programs, and will be hindered in meeting its statutory objectives, strategic plan goals and plan to complete the San Diego River Trail.

### G. Implementation Plan

The Conservancy will implement the grant funded projects through the appropriate state procedures.

### H. Supplemental Information

#### I. Proposed Language:

3845-101-0140—For local assistance, San Diego River Conservancy,  
payable from the California Environmental License Plate Fund 0

Schedule:

(1) 3140-San Diego River Conservancy.....	1,000,000
(2) Reimbursements to 3140-San Diego River Conservancy .....	-1,000,000

Provisions:

1. The funds appropriated in this item are available for expenditure for local assistance or capital outlay.

### J. Recommendation

Approve appropriation to establish reimbursement authority for capital funds to enable the Conservancy to continue receiving state funded grants to implement projects in the San Diego region in order to protect, restore and enhance the San Diego River watershed.

# BCP Fiscal Detail Sheet

BCP Title: Reimbursement Authority

DP Name: 3845-300-BCP-DP-2016-A1

## Budget Request Summary

	FY16					
	CY	BY	BY+1	BY+2	BY+3	BY+4
Operating Expenses and Equipment						
54XX - Special Items of Expense	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
<b>Total Operating Expenses and Equipment</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
<b>Total Budget Request</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>

## Fund Summary

Fund Source - Local Assistance

0140 - California Environmental License Plate Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
0995 - Reimbursements	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
<b>Total Local Assistance Expenditures</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>

## Program Summary

Program Funding

3140 - San Diego River Conservancy	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
<b>Total All Programs</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>