

## Proposals Recommended for Funding:

Rank	Scientist / Manager	Title	Ecoregion	Funding Request (k)	Justification
1	Merenlender and Micheli UC Berkeley and Pepperwood Foundation	Building Habitat Connectivity for Climate Adaptation	North Coast	\$195	<b>Justification:</b> All criteria were rated high. The tribal engagement was rated high and this fact was supported by the Tribal Team members who reviewed the proposal. The proposal is located in the inland north coast and supports analysis and planning for habitat connectivity. Specifically, the project prioritizes connectivity “pinch points” where conservation/protection could be implemented by a wide array of land owners, planners, and land managers. The team suggested negotiating the contracting process to reduce overhead costs.
2	van Mantgem and Capria USGS Redwood Field Station and Sequoia Kings Canyon NP	Fighting drought with fire: Can prescribed fire increase forest resistance to drought?	Sierra Nevada	\$37	<b>Justification:</b> The project seeks to address a critical and timely management question regarding how to treat drought killed trees: Can prescribed burning improve forest stand resilience to climate change (via soil moisture management)? Management relevance was high and implementation likely. Capacity, budget leveraging, and transferable results were especially high. Partners include USGS and NPS, and an important dataset from Sequoia NP will be analyzed. Overall a simple, efficient, and effective project.
3	Albano and Gross Conservation Science Partners and USFS Pacific Southwest Region	Decision support for meadow conservation and restoration in the Sierra Nevada Ecoregion: leveraging landscape-scale retrospective and near real-time data to enhance understanding of vulnerabilities and adaptation options under changing climate	Sierra Nevada	\$187	<b>Justification:</b> The proposal provides a vulnerability assessment tool for Sierra Nevada meadows. The management relevance, capacity, and transferable nature were rated high. The Review team generally valued the focus on meadows. This proposal was preferred by the management co-lead of two she was identified with within this year’s group of submissions. The team suggested negotiating the contracting process to reduce overhead costs.
			Total	\$419	

## Alternate Proposal:

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4	Jennings, Lewis and Pairis San Diego State University and California Department of Fish & Wildlife	Climate Smart South Coast: Connecting Science and Management for Climate Resilient Connectivity	South Coast	\$125	<b>Justification:</b> The goal of this project is to help stakeholders prioritize and implement climate-smart strategies and actions for landscape-scale connectivity and management within the South Coast. The proposal was rated high across the spectrum of criteria. The project results in an implementation guide for land managers and planners.