

**Boat Launching Facility Grant Program
Division of Boating and Waterways
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Summary:

Boat Launching Facility (BLF) grants for motorized vessels are provided to local government agencies for the construction or improvement of boat launching ramps, restrooms, boarding floats, shore protection, parking for vehicles and boat trailers, utilities, and ancillary items. Also included in the grants are funds to pay for engineering, construction, inspection, permits from regulatory agencies, special studies, contract advertising, construction contingencies, and other project related costs. The primary purpose of the program is to provide and improve access to California's waterways by the recreational boating public using trailer-able motorized watercraft.

Application Deadline: February 1, 2023, for consideration in the FY2023/24 state budget.

Application Procedure: Applicants are required to submit a complete application online.

FY2021/22 Funding: A funding blanket of \$6,000,000 was designated in the State Budget for all boat launching facilities grants. Of this, \$4,240,000 has been allotted towards development, improvement, or expansion of boat launching facilities for motorized boats.

Typical Grant Amount: Varies by project. The amount of funds provided is determined by the specific scope of the proposed project in combination with the usage and benefits that can be economically justified.

Funding Source(s): Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund

Eligible Grant Recipients: Local government agencies including cities, counties, the federal government, recreation districts, irrigation districts, and tax districts, among others.

Restrictions:

- a. The project area shall be open and accessible for the use and enjoyment by the general public on equal and reasonable terms.
- b. The grantee is required to operate and maintain the facility for 20 years at no cost to the State.

Accomplishments/Planning:

- This is the fourth year BLF grant applicants will utilize the Online Grant Application (OLGA) system during the upcoming application cycle.
- Online program webinar and application workshop are available on the website. DBW is currently working on updating the application and will update the website accordingly.
- DBW has completed the following projects in the past three years:

<i>Project</i>	<i>Grantee</i>	<i>Grant Award</i>	<i>FY Funding</i>
Doran Park BLF (Planning)	Sonoma County	\$ 350,000	FY 2011/12
Doran Park BLF (Construction)	Sonoma County	\$ 990,000	FY 2016/17
Encinal BLF (Planning)	City of Alameda	\$ 300,000	FY 2015/16
Encinal BLF (Construction)	City of Alameda	\$1,450,000	FY 2018/19
Red Bluff BLF	City of Red Bluff	\$1,690,000	FY 2013/14
Sailboat Cove BLF	LA County Parks	\$ 400,000	FY 2019/20
Trinity Center BLF (Planning)	US Forest Service – Trinity	\$ 190,000	FY 2007/08

DBW projects completed in the past three years continued:

<i>Project</i>	<i>Grantee</i>	<i>Grant Award</i>	<i>FY Funding</i>
<i>Trinity Center BLF (Construction)</i>	<i>US Forest Service – Trinity</i>	<i>\$1,640,000</i>	<i>FY 2016/17</i>
<i>Marina Del Rey BLF (Planning)</i>	<i>County of Los Angeles</i>	<i>\$ 300,000</i>	<i>FY 2014/15</i>
<i>Lower Blue Oaks BLF (Planning)</i>	<i>County of Tuolumne</i>	<i>\$ 300,000</i>	<i>FY 2014/15</i>
<i>Rio Vista BLF (Planning)</i>	<i>City of Rio Vista</i>	<i>\$ 300,000</i>	<i>FY 2013/14</i>
<i>Rio Vista BLF (Construction)</i>	<i>City of Rio Vista</i>	<i>\$1,240,000</i>	<i>FY 2019/20</i>