

Monterey County 2026-27 Federal CPF Priorities

At the November 10, 2025, Legislative Committee meeting, the Committee provided direction on recommended projects to submit if the County is allowed to submit Federal Community Project Funding (CPF) requests in 2026, for FY 27. Due to recent changes in the Administration, House and Senate, it is uncertain whether the County will be invited to submit CPF requests in 2026, and if so, those opportunities are likely to be more limited than in past years. The County was able to submit a limited number of requests for FY 26, and those applications are still in flux. The County should be prepared to pursue these opportunities if/when they become available. Frequently, the County is given very little notice to prepare CPF requests for submission, so staff seek the Committee's recommendation and Board's approval to work on and submit the projects identified, and ranked, in advance of the invitation for submission.

The projects recommended, in order of priority, were:

1. San Lucas Clean Drinking Water Project - \$TBD

This project would secure funding for a long-term project that provides a reliable source of safe, clean drinking water to the small, disadvantaged community of San Lucas.

- The project is located in Congressional District 18

2. Nacimiento and San Antonio Dams and Reservoirs Safety Projects - \$TBD

This project would provide flood management, water supply, groundwater recharge, fish habitat, recreation, and other benefits relating to the Nacimiento and San Antonio Dams and Reservoirs, in compliance with federal and state "Safety of Dams" mandates. The exact scope of the discrete project is still being determined by the Monterey County Water Resources Agency as well as the related federal funding request amount.

- The projects are located in Congressional District 18

3. Nacimiento Lake Drive Repaving Project - \$2.1 million

This project proposes to repave approximately 2 miles of Nacimiento Lake Drive, the only land access route to Nacimiento Lake Resort for both emergency responders and recreational users, and the primary route to and from Paso Robles for local residents.

- The project is located in Congressional District 19 and regularly serves constituents from Congressional Districts 18 and 24.

4. Reclamation Ditch Restoration- \$500,000

This project would fund restoration efforts for the "Reclamation Ditch," which is a series of channels and water-management infrastructure. The primary objective of the Reclamation Ditch is to protect life and property and to reduce the suffering that could be caused by storm events. In addition, it receives irrigation return water from adjacent farmlands and provides drainage service to an area of approximately 168 square miles.

- The Reclamation Ditch is located in Congressional Districts 18 and 19

5. Porter-Vallejo & Mansion Historical Restoration Project- \$3,500,000

This project is a vital and valuable resource for the Pajaro community. The Porter-Vallejo Mansion is a 3-story historic building and the home to the Pajaro Library, located on the first floor. The Historic Mansion is located at 29 Bishop Street in Pajaro, California, and it holds a National Register of Historic Places designation. In March 2023, the area was devastated by floods, causing water damage throughout the structure. In the aftermath,

residents identified this project as one of the top priorities for their community. This project will focus on remodeling the interior of the mansion's second and third floors. This will involve structural modifications to accommodate a lift, ensuring access to all levels, along with ADA upgrades and the addition of restrooms throughout the building. Enhancements will also include the construction of an exterior egress stair, two tensile shade structures, and a reading circle in the mansion's South yard. The updated second and third floors will expand the library's programming capacity by incorporating a lactation room, accessible restroom, meeting room, staff offices, and comfortable seating areas for patrons.

-The project is located in Congressional District 18

6. Salinas Regional Soccer Complex - \$TBD

This multi-phased project would continue the significant expansion of the Salinas Regional Soccer Complex, which is committed to fostering positive youth development and promoting health and wellness, and will provide equitable access to safe, family-friendly outdoor facilities and programming. The specific elements of this project for which federal funding would be requested is currently being finalized but may include stadium seating for 2,500; bathroom facilities; scoreboard; and, the remaining required underground infrastructure, including all utilities.

- The project is located in Congressional District 18.

7. Salinas Skate Park and BMX Pump Track - \$500,000

The project would construct a new 22,250 square foot regional Bike and Skate Park serving Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties. Located in densely populated East Salinas, the site will be linked by several multi-use trails connecting the project to some of the most underserved neighborhoods and schools. The construction of the track will benefit the surrounding recreational features at the campus (Veterans Memorial Park, Carr Lake, Natividad Creek Park, Twin Creeks Golf Course/ First Tee, and the Salinas Soccer Complex).

- The project is located in Congressional District 18.

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