

# **Beaver Coexistence Program**

## **Assistance Application Request**

Thanks to generous funding from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Nature Based Solutions: Wetlands and Mountain Meadows funding program (and others), the Occidental Arts & Ecology Center's WATER Institute offers a grant program to financially incentivize landowners to hire BeaverCorps professionals to nonlethally resolve beaver issues and restore wetlands.

### **Who can participate?**

Any individual, town, business, or organization in California interested in hiring a BeaverCorps Professional or OAEC WATER Institute-Approved Beaver Professional to assess sites and/or nonlethally resolve beaver conflicts.

### **Grant amount?**

Applicants are eligible for up to 50% of the total project costs for any nonlethal conflict prevention project. Maintenance costs for devices are the applicant's responsibility and not applicable for funding.

### **What are the criteria?**

A willingness of the landowner/client to avoid beaver removal, and/or encourage beaver occupancy at a site. Financial investment is required from the landowner/client. Approval from all permitting authorities is required as is a commitment to allow site access after installation for up to 10 years.

**How do I request assistance?** First, obtain a professional estimate for the installation of the beaver coexistence project. Then, send this completed application to the Beaver Coexistence Program for consideration.

**Submit this application to:** [beaverhelp@oaec.org](mailto:beaverhelp@oaec.org)

# Application Form

**Please include the following information with your request**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Address or Coordinates (if different than above): \_\_\_\_\_

Description of the problem(s), your goals/definition of success, and identification of the party responsible for maintaining the project after installation:

Estimated wetland acreage impacted: \_\_\_\_\_

Total cost estimate of water flow device (attach official estimate/invoice): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Your contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grant amount requested: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you are requesting more than 1/2 of the flow device cost, please explain your financial hardship here:

*Note: If approved you must submit before and after pictures of the project, project completion invoice, and submit 6-month and 1-year maintenance reports. And, you must sign the attached Landowner Agreement.*

**Please return this completed application and photos to: [beaverhelp@oaec.org](mailto:beaverhelp@oaec.org)**

**We will notify you promptly of the application committee's decision.**