



1. Host location and contact information

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2. Fellowship Supervisor and Point of contact for CSG and prospective fellows and finalists:

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3. Position description(s)

General Overview: Established in 1976, the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC or the Conservancy) is a non-regulatory agency that works to protect and improve natural lands and waterways, help people get to and enjoy the outdoors, and sustain local economies along the length of California's coast and around San Francisco Bay. SCC works in partnership with local governments, other public agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private landowners. Much of the Conservancy's work involves collaborating with scientists and other professionals to deliver on-the-ground coastal resource protection and restoration.

The Conservancy's broad mandate allows it to undertake planning, projects, and initiatives such as the following:

- Protect and improve the quality and resiliency of coastal wetlands, streams, watersheds, and near-shore ocean waters;
- Help people get to and along the coast and bay shores by building trails and stairways and by acquiring land and easements. The Conservancy also assists in the creation of low-cost accommodations along the coast, including campgrounds and hostels;
- Help to solve complex land-use problems;
- Protect coastal lands, including agricultural lands and working landscapes;
- Address the potential impacts of climate change on resources within its jurisdiction, and undertake projects that address extreme weather events, sea level rise, storm surge, beach and bluff erosion, flooding, and other coastal hazards that threaten coastal communities, infrastructure, and natural resources.

Specific Scope of Work: The SCC is applying to host one fellow to help carry out our work. SCC is committed to fostering and developing the fellow's professional goals as much as possible and will tailor the suite of tasks accordingly.

Coastal Resilience Fellow

The State Coastal Conservancy will be disbursing at least \$350 million in coastal resilience funds over the next few years. The Coastal Resilience fellow would have a central role in helping the Conservancy shape and implement this effort.

In the coming year, the fellow will work on the following initiatives:

1. Analyze priority coastal resilience needs identified in the vulnerability assessments and adaptation plans of local governments to identify which needs SCC could potentially help address.
2. Develop tools for tracking, assessing, and communicating the outcomes of SCC's coastal resilience effort, including lessons learned.
3. Support regional efforts to advance coastal resilience including potentially the Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project, and climate adaptation work in Humboldt Bay and Goleta Slough.
4. Support disbursement of SCC funding for Coastal Resilience. Tasks may include: develop Requests for Proposals to solicit project proposals, provide technical assistance, track project applications, review project applications, and make recommendations for project prioritization.
5. Manage projects to plan and implement coastal resilience. Tasks may include: project development, writing staff recommendations to the Conservancy Board, project and contract management, presentations to the Conservancy Board and others, and leadership in communications (e.g., website, social media).
6. Assist the Coastal Resilience Network to identify future speakers and host webinars that help share information within the adaptation community.
7. Support communications and public outreach (social media, website, etc).

Through this Coastal Resilience work, the fellow will have the opportunity to work with scientists, restoration practitioners, resource managers, and community leaders. Tasks may include helping to determine management and science needs, reviewing and summarizing technical papers, writing staff recommendations and other technical memos, participating in meetings, giving presentations to the SCC Board and others, conducting site visits, and undertaking GIS work.