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Implementation Technical Assistance RFI

TCC and CRC Programs
Request for Information (RFI)

Informational Webinar | July 8, 2026



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Agenda

1. Introduction & Housekeeping
2. Program Overview (TCC & CRC)
3. RFI Background, Purpose, and
Details
4. Q&A





Introduction & Housekeeping



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Introductions

- Nicole Cartwright – TCC Program Manager
- Anna Jane Jones – CRC Program Manager
- Sarah Newsham – TCC Senior Planner



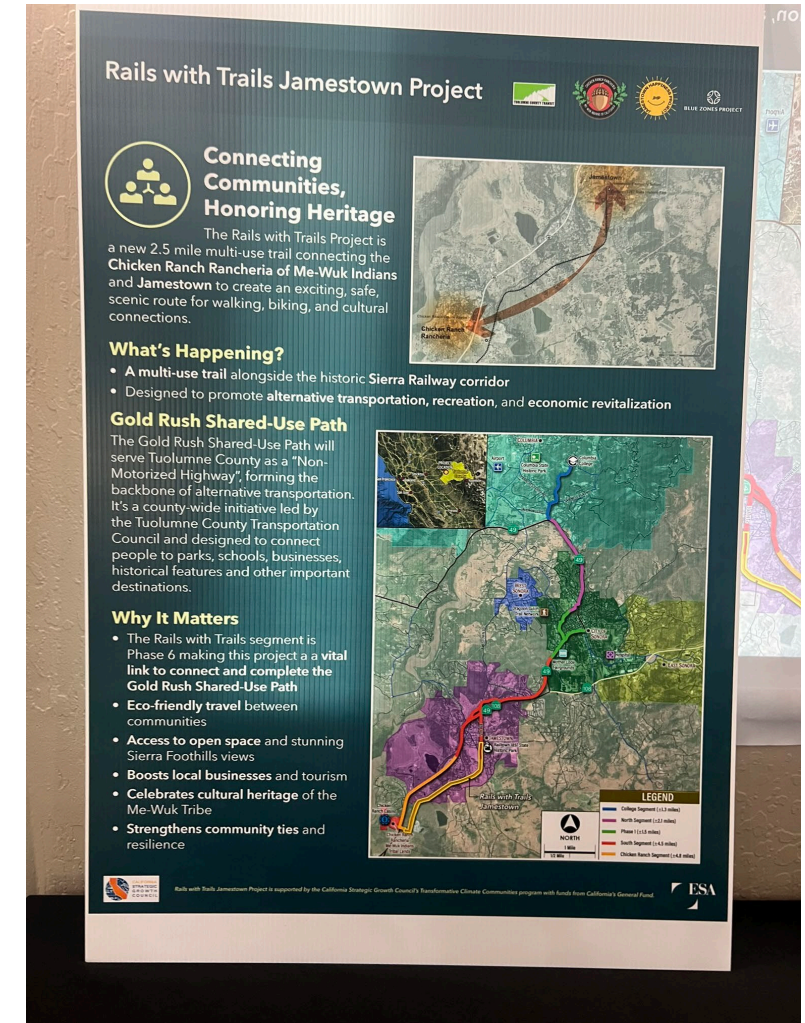
Housekeeping

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Acronym Soup!

- SGC: Strategic Growth Council
- LCI: Land Use and Climate Innovation
- TCC: Transformative Climate Communities Program
- CRC: Community Resilience Centers Program
- PG: Planning Grant
- PDG: Project Development Grant
- IG: Implementation Grant



Our Vision

Healthy, thriving, and resilient communities for all

Our Mission

The mission of the Council is to coordinate and work collaboratively with public agencies, communities, and stakeholders to achieve sustainability, equity, economic prosperity, and quality of life for all Californians





Program Overviews



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TCC Program Overview



Fund neighborhood level, transformative, climate community plans



Containing coordinated GHG-reducing projects



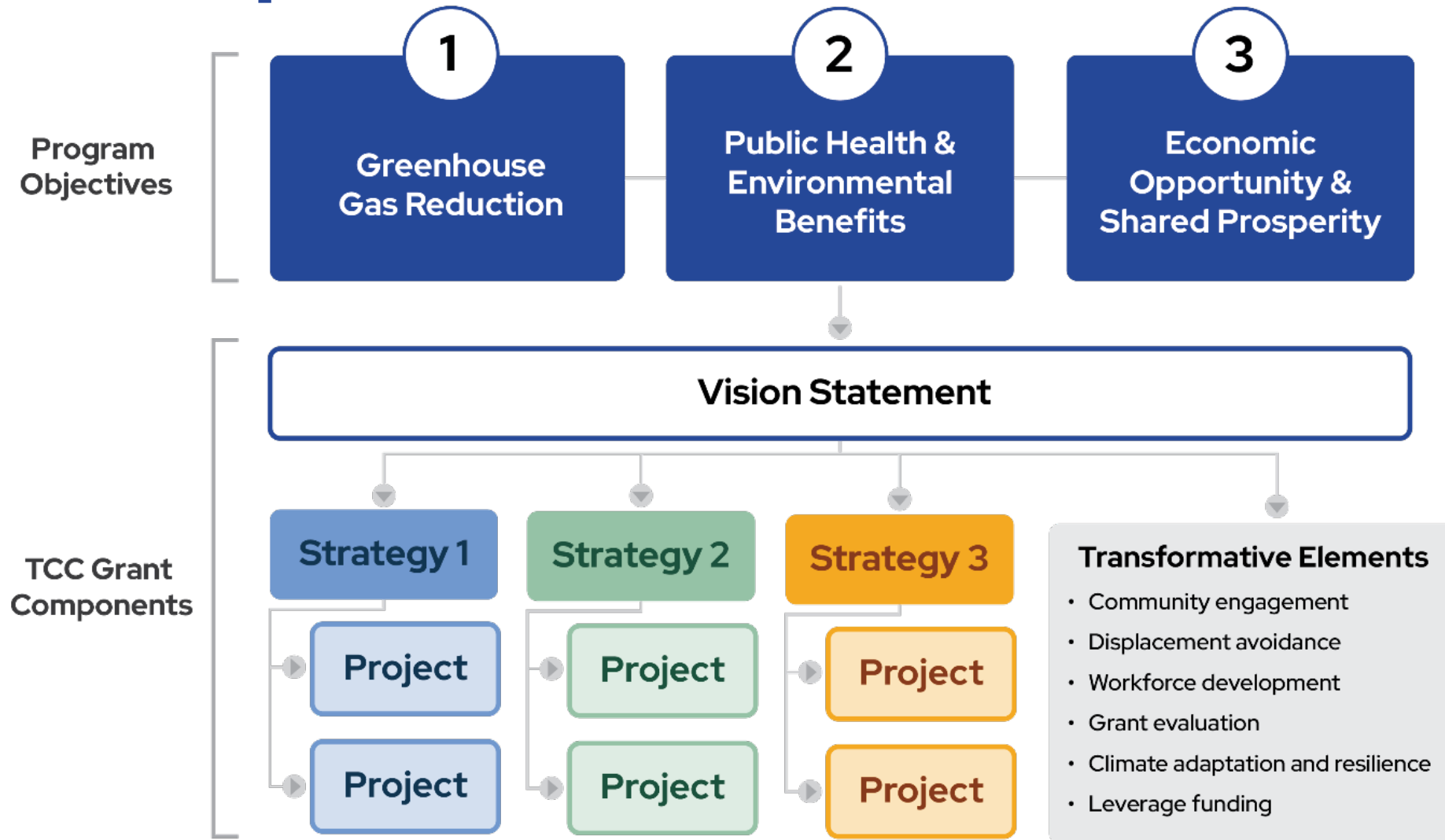
Providing economic, environmental, and health benefits to the state's most disadvantaged communities



Supporting strategies to avoid economic displacement of disadvantaged community residents and businesses



TCC Implementation Grant Structure



TCC Program Overview

Community-led transformation to enable the California communities most impacted by pollution to choose their own goals, strategies and projects to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and local air pollution.

Total Investments: \$424 million in Rounds 1-5

Round 6

- Funded through Prop 4, a \$10B Climate Bond
- \$98.4 million available
- Applications close Sep. 30, 2026
- Awards expected in Spring 2027



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What is a Community Resilience Center?

A physical building that supports communities before, during, and after climate extremes and/or climate disasters.

The CRC Program Funds:

Capital Projects

Physical infrastructure investments to the CRC Facility and CRC campus amenities

Services & Programs

Ensure ongoing year-round usage of the CRC and strengthening local community resilience



CRC Program Overview



Collaborative Governance



**Robust Community
Engagement**



Planning and Implementation

Total Investments

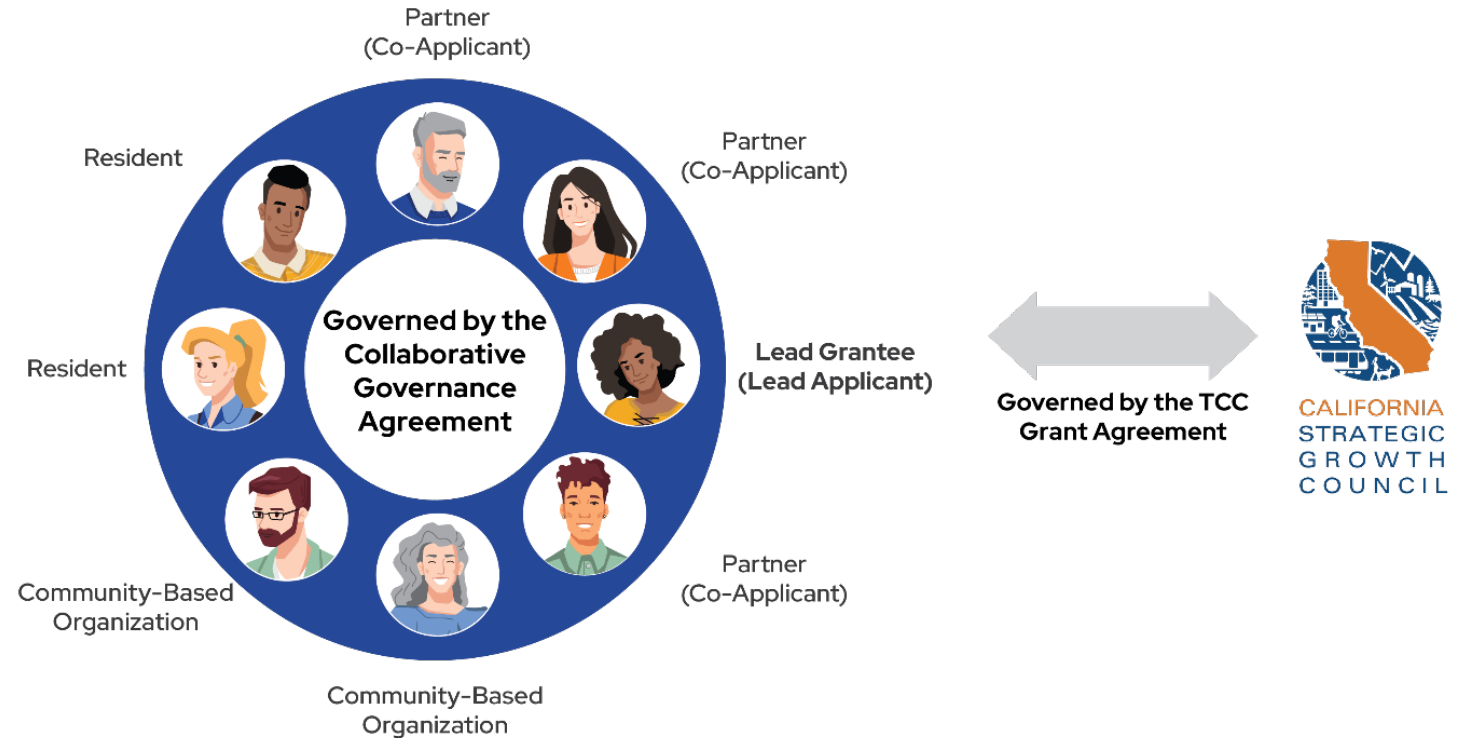
\$97 million in Round 1

\$55 million in Round 2 anticipated (Prop 4,
Climate Bond)



Grant Recipients

- TCC and CRC Grantee Teams are made up of one Lead Grantee and several Partner (subrecipient) organizations
- Estimates of Partners:
 - CRC PG: 1-4
 - TCC PG and PDG, CRC IG: 2-6
 - TCC IG: 6-10



TCC & CRC - Funding Goals

TCC

One grant of each type to a qualifying project led by a **Tribal applicant**

One grant of each type to a qualifying project in a **disadvantaged unincorporated community**

CRC

One grant of each type to a qualifying project led by a **Tribal applicant**

Projects that represent statewide **geographic diversity**



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TCC & CRC – Grant Types

TCC

Planning - *Up to \$300,000*

- Community engagement; preparing climate adaptation plans; community needs assessment; feasibility studies, etc.

Project Development - *Up to \$5 million*

- Project design; permitting; community engagement; pilot projects; access to basic environmental infrastructure, etc.

Implementation - *Up to \$27.5 million*

- Multiple, coordinated projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieve community benefits

CRC

Planning - *Up to \$500,000*

- Planning activities that prepare communities to implement a CRC (e.g., Partnership development; community needs assessments; permitting; etc.)

Implementation - *Up to \$10 million*

- New construction or retrofits; services and programs that build overall community resilience.



TCC & CRC Timelines

Planning Grants and Project Development Grants

- Post-Award Consultation Process: 3-6 months
 - Grant term: 2 years
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Implementation Grants:

- Post-Award Consultation Process: 2-3 months
- Multi-phase grant term: 5 years (CRC) or 6 years (TCC)





RFI Background, Purpose, and Details



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Minimum qualifications for RFI

Respondents to this RFI should have **one or more** of the following:

- Interest in providing Implementation Technical Assistance (TA) to the TCC and CRC Programs
- Knowledge of or experience with the TCC Program and/or the CRC Program

RFI Outline

- A. Background
- B. Purpose
- C. Minimum Qualifications
- D. Webinar
- E. Work Schedule/Key Action Dates
- F. Submission
- G. Questions

RFI Purpose

- Implementation TA to TCC Round 6 grantees and CRC Round 2 grantees
 - Build capacity
 - Assist grantees in implementing their grant-funded work
 - Support both Lead Grantees and Partners
- Goals of RFI:
 - Identify vendors who are prepared to provide Implementation Technical Assistance services to SGC
 - Inform a potential future solicitation
- Team-based approach encouraged

TA Activities Overview

- Project Management, Invoicing, and Reporting
- Direct Support to TCC Grantees
- Direct Support to CRC Grantees
- Capacity-Building Technical Assistance

Project Management, Invoicing, and Reporting

Kick-off Meeting, Onboarding, and Education

- Participate in kick-off and onboarding calls and assignments with SGC staff
- Self-educate about the TCC and CRC Programs

Technical Assistance Work Plan and Budget Projection

- Develop a detailed Work Plan and Budget Projection

Project Management, Invoicing, and Reporting

Meetings, Project Management, and Communication

- Track progress and budget expenditure against the detailed Work Plan and Budget Projection
- Meet regularly with SGC
- Conduct all necessary project management and internal coordination

Project Management, Invoicing, and Reporting

Invoicing and Reporting

- Submit bi-monthly invoices and progress reports
- Submit a Final Report
- Complete Pre-Development Phase mid-point evaluations of each Implementation Grantee Team during Months 4 or 5 of the Pre-Development Phase

Direct Support to TCC Grantees

Grant Administration and Project Management Support to TCC Planning Grantees and Project Development Grantees

- Provide individualized grant administration and project management support to **3-8 Project Development Grantee Teams and 3-6 Planning Grantee Teams**
- Meet as needed during the Post-Award Consultation Process (3-6 months) and regularly throughout the first 6-12 months of the grant term
- Consult with each Grantee Team to assess their Technical Assistance needs
- Develop a template for a Technical Assistance Agreement between the Contractor Team, a Grantee Team, and SGC
- Provide support to Grantee Teams to establish efficient and sustainable systems and processes

Direct Support to TCC Grantees

Grant Administration and Project Management Support to TCC Implementation Grantees

- Provide individualized grant administration and project management support to **3-4 Implementation Grantee Teams**
- Meet regularly throughout the Pre-Development Phase and as needed throughout the first 6-12 months of the Implementation Phase
- Consult with each Grantee Team to assess their Technical Assistance needs
- Develop a template for a Technical Assistance Agreement between the Contractor Team, a Grantee Team, and SGC
- Provide support to Grantee Teams to establish efficient and sustainable systems and processes

Direct Support to TCC Grantees

Pre-Development Phase Project Management and Subject-Matter Expertise Support to TCC Implementation Grantees

- Provide individualized support to 3-4 Implementation Grantee Teams
 - Provide subject matter expertise
 - Unless otherwise desired by the Grantee Team, serve as the lead project manager for each Grantee Team's Pre-Development Phase work
- Assist TCC staff by serving as subject-matter experts
 - Review budgets, work plans, and all Pre-Development Requirements
 - Determine whether the materials are adequate, and provide feedback to the Grantee Team and SGC staff
- Serve as subject-matter consultants to Grantee Teams as needed during the first 6-12 months of the Implementation Phase



Direct Support to TCC Grantees

TCC Greenhouse Gas Quantification

- Quantify greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions of TCC Implementation Grant Projects using GHG Quantification Methodologies approved by the California Air Resources Board

Direct Support to CRC Grantees

Grant Administration and Project Management Support to CRC Planning Grantees

- Provide individualized grant administration and project management support to approximately **10 Planning Grantee Teams**
- Meet as needed during the Post-Award Consultation Process (3-6 months) and regularly throughout the first 6-12 months of the grant term
- Consult with each Grantee Team to assess their Technical Assistance needs
- Develop a template for a Technical Assistance Agreement between the Contractor Team, a Grantee Team, and SGC
- Provide support to Grantee Teams to establish efficient and sustainable systems and processes

Direct Support to CRC Grantees

Grant Administration and Project Management Support to CRC Implementation Grantees

- Provide individualized grant administration and project management support to approximately **6 Implementation Grantee Teams**
- Meet regularly throughout the Pre-Development Phase (1 year) and as needed throughout the first 6-12 months of the Implementation Phase
- Consult with each Grantee Team to assess their Technical Assistance needs
- Develop a template for a Technical Assistance Agreement between the Contractor Team, a Grantee Team, and SGC
- Provide support to Grantee Teams to establish efficient and sustainable systems and processes

Direct Support to CRC Grantees

Pre-Development Phase Project Management and Subject-Matter Expertise Support to CRC Implementation Grantees

- Provide individualized support to **~5 Implementation Grantee Teams**
 - Provide subject matter expertise
 - Unless otherwise desired by the Grantee Team, serve as the lead project manager for each Grantee Team's Pre-Development Phase work
- Assist CRC staff by serving as subject-matter experts
 - Review budgets, work plans, and all Pre-Development Requirements
 - Determine whether the materials are adequate, and provide feedback to the Grantee Team and SGC staff
- Serve as subject-matter consultants to Grantee Teams as needed during the first 6-12 months of the Implementation Phase



Capacity-Building Technical Assistance

Develop a Capacity-Building Technical Assistance Work Plan and Budget

- May include virtual workshops, resource guides, best practices reports, templates, and more
- Engage with TCC and CRC Grantee Teams to prioritize activities

Execute Capacity-Building Technical Assistance

Host Annual In-Person Grantee Convenings

Potential Qualifications

Potential Minimum Qualifications

- Existing relationships and significant experience working with California Native American Tribes—either as a staff of a Tribe, or having previously provided technical assistance to Tribes
- At least three years of experience in several areas

Desired Qualifications

Desired Knowledge

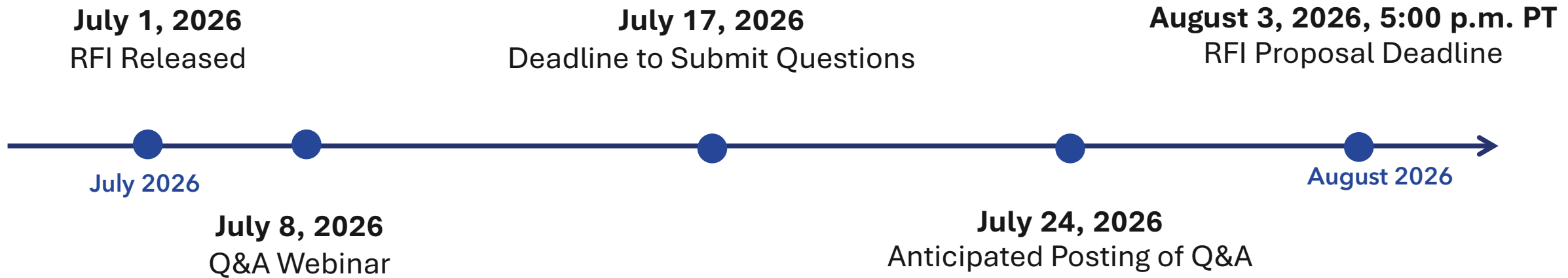
Work Schedule



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WORK SCHEDULE	
TASKS	TIMEFRAME
Kick-off Meeting, Onboarding, and Education	April 2027 – May 2027
Technical Assistance Work Plan and Budget Projection	April 2027 – May 2027
Meetings, Project Management, and Communication	April 2027 – July 2032
Invoicing and Reporting	April 2027 – July 2032
Grant Administration and Project Management Support to TCC Planning Grantees and Project Development Grantees	May 2027 – November 2028
Grant Administration and Project Management Support to TCC Implementation Grantees	May 2027 – July 2029
Pre-Development Phase Project Management and Subject-Matter Expertise Support to TCC Implementation Grantees	May 2027 – July 2029
TCC Greenhouse Gas Quantification	January 2028 – End of grant term
Grant Administration and Project Management Support to CRC Planning Grantees	May 2027 – November 2028
Grant Administration and Project Management Support to CRC Implementation Grantees	May 2027 – July 2029
Pre-Development Phase Project Management and Subject-Matter Expertise Support to CRC Implementation Grantees	May 2027 – July 2029
Develop a Capacity-Building Technical Assistance Work Plan and Budget	April 2027 – June 2027
Execute Capacity-Building Technical Assistance	July 2027 – July 2032
Host Annual In-Person Grantee Convenings	April 2027 – July 2031

RFI Timeline



RFI Key Dates

KEY DATES TABLE		
ITEM	DATE	TIME
RFI Released	July 1, 2026	-
Q&A Webinar	July 8, 2026	2:30:00 PM PT
Deadline to Submit Questions to Ensure Response	July 17, 2026	5:00:00 PM PT
Anticipated Posting of Q&A	July 24, 2026	12:00:00 PM PT
RFI Proposal Receipt Deadline	August 3, 2026	5:00:00 PM PT



Submission

- **Responses are due August 3 by 5:00 p.m. PT**
- Submit to contracts@lci.ca.gov
- Desired maximum of 7 pages
- 11-point font
- PDF
- Respond to one or more question
- All questions are optional
- Organize your responses using the question numbers provided
- Optional: Connect with other potential TA providers on LinkedIn Technical Assistance Providers Networking Hub: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12289286/>

Submission

1. Describe your ability to implement the Implementation Technical Assistance described in this RFI, including how you would:
 - a. Project manage the Pre-Development Phase for each Implementation Grant Grantee Team
 - b. Provide subject-matter expertise to all Implementation Grant Grantee Teams and TCC/CRC staff in all TCC Strategies and Plans/CRC Program requirements
 - c. Ensure each Implementation Grant Grantee Teams successfully completes the Pre-Development Phase and meets all Pre-Development Requirements by Month 9 of the TCC grant term and Month 12 of the CRC grant term
 - d. Develop and execute a Capacity-Building Technical Assistance work plan tailored to the needs of TCC and CRC grantees
 - e. Host in-person Grantee Convenings

Submission

2. Describe your **capacity** to provide **individualized assistance** to all TCC and CRC Grantee Teams **simultaneously** as described in this RFI.
3. Describe any **subcontractors** you would work with and what role each organization would have in implementing the scope of work. Describe **prior experience** that is relevant to the Potential Qualifications, Potential Desired Qualifications, and Potential Desired Knowledge.

Submission

4. Describe your experience working with California Native American Tribes and your capacity to collaborate or facilitate culturally rooted, informative, and supportive meetings to provide technical assistance, including the following:
 - a. Ability to balance project expertise while respecting Tribal knowledge, and the empathy, emotional intelligence, and ability to receive feedback and revise practices as needed
 - b. Commitment to relationship and trust building with Tribes
 - c. History and knowledge of current practices in Tribal governance, Tribal laws, regulations, and policies at the state and federal levels
 - d. Integrating and protecting Tribal data sovereignty and Traditional Ecological Knowledge into work with Tribes



Submission

5. If desired, provide rough estimates of the dollar amount or number of hours that would be needed to complete the work described in this RFI. Please provide an estimate for each of the major program activities in the “purpose” section. This information is non-binding and will only be used to help SGC anticipate budget needs for potential Implementation Technical Assistance services.
6. Describe any additional information you would need in a potential future solicitation to develop a detailed, accurate budget proposal.

Submission

7. The State of California requires that each fiscal year, all State agencies spend a minimum of 25% of all funding with a certified small business (SB), and 3% of all funding with a certified Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE). If required in future solicitation, would you be able to fulfill SB and DVBE participation?
8. Provide general input on the Implementation Technical Assistance proposed scope, including whether the bidder community is well-positioned to meet the outlined requirements. Please share any feedback, suggestions, or concerns.

Questions

- Submit questions to **Contracts@lci.ca.gov**
- SGC will post responses on Cal eProcure



Q&A

Thank You!

RFI Responses are due
August 3, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. PT

Email
contracts@lci.ca.gov



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